# IRISH SONCS



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# Black Velvet Band

6/8 time intro: [Am] [D] [G] (as per last line of Chorus)
In a [G] neat little town they call Belfast.
Apprenticed to [C] trade I was [D] bound.
[G] Many an hour sweet happiness.
Have I [Am] spent in that [D] neat little [G] town.

'Till a sad misfortune came o'er me. And caused me to **[C]** stray from the **[D]** land. Far a **[G]** way from my friends and relations. Be-**[Am]**-trayed by the **[D]** black velvet **[G]** band.

ChorusHer [G] eyes they shone like diamonds,<br/>I thought her the [C] queen of the [D] land,<br/>And her [G] hair hung over her shoulder,<br/>Tied [Am] up with a [D] black velvet [G] band.Image: Constraint of the constraint of th

I [G] took a stroll down Broadway. Meaning not [C] long for to [D] stay,

When [G] who should I meet but this pretty fair maid.

Come a [Am] traipsing a-[D]-long the high-[G]-way.

She was both fair and handsome. Her neck it was [C] just like a [D] swan's. And her [G] hair hung over her shoulder.

Tied [Am] up with a [D] black velvet [G] band.

## Chorus

I [G] took a stroll with this pretty fair maid.
And a gentleman [C] passing us [D] by.
Well, I [G] knew she meant the doing of him.
By the [Am] look in her [D] roguish black [G] eye.

A gold watch she took from his pocket. And placed it **[C]** right into my **[D]** hand, and the **[G]** very first thing that I said was: "Bad **[Am]** cess to the **[D]** black velvet **[G]** band"

## Chorus

Be-[G]-fore the judge and the jury. Next morning I [C] had to ap-[D]-pear.
The [G] judge he says, "Young fellow."
The [Am] case against [D] you is quite [G] clear.
Seven long years is your sentence. To be spent far a [C] way from this [D] land.
Far a-[G]-way from your friends and relations.
Be-[Am]-trayed by the [D] black velvet [G] band

## Chorus

# **Dirty Old Town**

Count 1,2,3,4,1
I met my [C] love by the gas works wall
Dreamed a [F] dream by the old ca[C]nal
[F] I Kissed my [Am] girl by the factory [C] wall
Dirty old [G] town, [Dm] dirty old [Am] town [Stop]

[NC] Clouds are [C] drifting across the moon
Cats are [F] prowling on their [C] beat
[F] Spring's a [Am] girl from the streets at [C] night
Dirty old [G] town, [Dm] dirty old [Am] town [Stop]

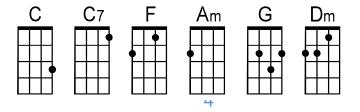
[NC] I heard a [C] siren from the docks
Saw a [F] train set the night on [C] fire
[F] Smelled the [Am] spring on the smoky [C] wind
Dirty old [G] town, [Dm] dirty old [Am] town [Stop]

[NC] I'm going to [C] make me a big sharp axe
Shining [F] steel tempered in the [C] fire
[F] I'll chop you [Am] down like an old dead [C]tree
Dirty old [G] town, [Dm] dirty old [Am] town [Stop]

Instrumental Verse – (Solo Cmaj or Am)

[NC] I met my [C] love by the gas works wall
Dreamed a [F] dream by the old ca[C]nal
[F] Kissed my [Am] girl by the factory [C] wall
Dirty old [G] town, [Dm] dirty old [Am] town

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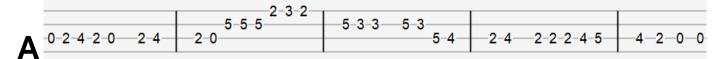


# Galway Girl – Steve Earl

# Count 1,2

Well, I **[C]**took a stroll on the old long walk, Of a **[G]**day-I-ay-I-**[F]**ay I **[C]**met a little girl and we stopped to talk, of a **[C]**fine soft **[F]**day-I-**[C]**ay And I **[F]**ask you, **[C]**friend, what's a **[F]**fella to **[C]**do? 'Cause her **[Am]**hair was **[G]**black and her **[F]**eyes were **[C]**blue And I **[F]**knew right **[C]**then, I'd be **[F]**takin' a **[C]**whirl, 'Round the **[Am]**Salthill **[G]**Prom with a **[F]**Galway **[C]**girl

# [C] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [G] [C] OR solo A below



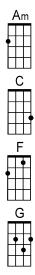
We were **[C]**halfway there when the rain came down, On a **[G]** day-I-ay-I-**[F]**ay And she **[C]**asked me up to her flat downtown Of a fine **[F]**soft **[C]**day-I-ay-I-ay And I **[F]**ask you, **[C]**friend, what's a **[F]**fella to **[C]**do? 'Cause her **[Am]**hair was **[G]**black and her **[F]**eyes were **[C]**blue So I **[F]**took her **[C]**hand, and I **[F]** gave her a **[C]**twirl, And I **[Am]**lost my **[G]**heart to a **[F]**Galway **[C]**girl

# [C] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [G] [C] OR solo A twice then solo B [C] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [G] [C] [F] [F] [C] [G] [F] [C] [F] [Am] [G] [C]

	3-5-3-5-3-5			
<b>B</b> –		5-4-2-4	5-4-2-42	

When **[C]**I woke up I was all alone **[C] [G] [F]** With a **[C]**broken heart and a ticket home **[C] [F] [C]** And I **[F]**ask you **[C]**now, Tell me **[F]**what would you **[C]**do? If her **[Am]**hair was **[G]**black and her **[F]**eyes were **[C]**blue I've **[F]**traveled '**[C]**round, I've been all **[F]**over this **[C]**world, Boys **[Am]** I ain't **[G]** never seen nothin' like **[F]** a **[C]** Galway girl

# [C] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [G] [C] [C] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [F] [C] [G] [C] [F] [F] [C] [G] [F] [C] [F] [Am] [G] [C] or solo from above



# I'll Tell Me Ma

*Chorus* [G] I'll tell me ma when I get home,

[D7] The boys won't leave the [G] girls alone,

[G] Pulled me hair, stole me comb

[D7] But that's all right [G] till I go home.

**[G]** She is handsome; **[C]** she is pretty

[G] She is the Belle of [D7] Bristol city,

[G] She is a courtin' a {C} one {C} two {C} three,

[G] Pray can you [D7] tell me [G] who is she?

[G] Albert Mooney says he loves her,

[D7] All the boys are [G] fightin' for her,

[G] Knock at the door, [G] ring at the bell, and

[D7] "Oh, me true love, [G] are you Well?"

[G] Out she comes, [C] white as snow,

[G] Rings on her fingers, [D7] bells on her toes

[G] Old Johnny Morrissey [C] says she'll die,

[G] If she doesn't get a [D7] fella with the [G] roving eye.

# Chorus

Let the [G] wind and the rain and the hail blow high

And the [D7] snow comes a travelin' [G] through the sky

[G] She's as sweet as an apple pie,

[D7] She'll get her own lad [G] by and by,

[G] When she gets a [C] lad of her own,

[G] She won't tell her ma when [D7] she gets home.

[G] Let them all come [C] as they will, It's

[G] Albert [D7] Mooney she [G] loves still.

Chorus 2X Speed up on last chorus

G
D7
<b>H</b>
07
D7

# I'm Looking Over A Four-leaf Clover

Written by Mort Dixon, music by Harry M. Woods (1927)

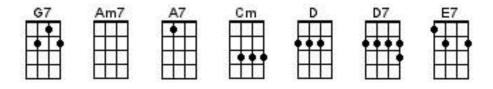
INTRO: Am7 Cm G E7 A7 D7 G D7

[G] I'm looking over a four-leaf clover
That [A7] I overlooked before [A7]
[D7] One leaf is sunshine, the [G] second is [E7] rain
[A7] Third are the roses that [D7] grow in the lane
[G] No need explaining, the one remaining
Is [A7] someone that I adore [A7]
[Am7] I'm looking [Cm] over a [G] four-leaf [E7] clover
That [A7] I over-[D7]looked be-[G]fore [D7]

[G] I'm looking over a four-leaf clover
That [A7] I overlooked before [A7]
[D7] One leaf is sweetheart, the [G] second is [E7] Dad
[A7] Third is the best pal that [D7] I ever had
[G] No need complaining, the one remaining
Is [A7] home where I'll weep no more [A7]
[Am7] I'm looking [Cm] over a [G] four-leaf [E7] clover
That [A7] I over-[D7]looked be-[G]fore [D7]

[G] I'm looking over a four-leaf clover
That [A7] I overlooked before [A7]
[D7] One leaf is sunshine, the [G] second is [E7] rain
[A7] Third are the roses that [D7] grow in the lane
[G] No need explaining, the one remaining
Is [A7] someone that I adore [A7]
[Am7] I'm looking [Cm] over a [G] four-leaf [E7] clover
That [A7] I over-[D7]looked be-[E7]fore [E7]

[Am7] I'm looking [Cm] over a [G] four-leaf [E7] clover That [A7] I over-[D7]looked be-[G]fore [G] [D7] [G]



I'SE THE B'Y ~ Traditional Newfoundland Folk Song/Ballad

[12] [12] [C] [G] [C] [G]
[C] I'se the b'y that [G] builds the boat
And [C] I'se the b'y that [F] sails her
And [C] I'se the b'y that [G] catches the fish
And brings ' em home to [C] Liza (Lizer)

#### **CHORUS**:

[C] Hip-yer-partner [G] Sally Thibault (Tibbo)

[C] Hip-yer-partner [F] Sally Brown

[C] Fogo, Twillingate, [G] Moreton's Harbour

All around the [C] circle

[C] Salts and rinds to [G] cover your flake

[C] Cake and tea for [F] supper

[C] Codfish in the [G] spring of the year Fried in maggoty [C] butter

[C] I don't want your [G] maggoty fish

[C] They're no good for [F] winter

[C] I can buy as [G] good as that

Way down in Bona-[C]vista

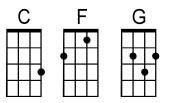
## CHORUS

[C] I took Liza [G] to a dance As [C] fast as she could [F] travel And [C] every step that [G] she could take Was up to her knees in [C] gravel

[C] Susan White she's [G] outta sight Her [C] petticoat wants a [F] border Well [C] Old Sam Oliver [G] in the dark He kissed her in the [C] corner!

#### **CHORUS**

[C] I'se the b'y that [G] builds the boat
And [C] I'se the b'y that [F] sails her
And [C] I'se the b'y that [G] catches the fish
And brings ' em home to [C] Liza (Lizer)
[C] Hip-yer-partner [G] Sally Thibault [C] Hip-yer-partner [F] Sally Brown [C] Fogo,
Twillingate, [G] Moreton's Harbour All around the [C] circle!



# Lord Of The Dance ~ Traditional

I [C] danced in the morning when the world was begun
I [G] danced in the Moon & the Stars & the Sun
I [C] came down from Heaven & I danced on the Earth
At [F] Bethle-[G7]hem I [C] had my birth

#### CHORUS:

[C] Dance, dance, wherever you may beI am the Lord of the [G] Dance, said He!And I [C] lead you all, wherever you may beAnd I [G7] lead you all in the [C] Dance, said He!

I [C] danced for the scribe & the pharisee
But they [G] would not dance & they wouldn't follow me
I [C] danced for fishermen, for James & John
They [F] came with [G7] me & the [C] Dance went on

## **CHORUS**

I [C] danced on the Sabbath, and I cured the lame
[G] Holy people said it was a shame!
They [C] whipped, and they stripped, they hung me high
[F] Left me [G7] there on the [C] hill to die!

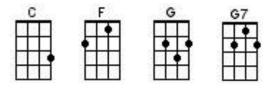
## **CHORUS**

I [C] danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
[G] Hard to dance with the devil on your back
They [C] buried my body, they thought I was gone
But [F] I am the [G7] Dance & the [C] Dance goes on!

#### **CHORUS**

They **[C]** cut me down, and I leapt up high **[G]** I am the Life that will never, never die! I'll **[C]** live in you, if you live in Me **[F]** I am the **[G7]** Lord of the **[C]** Dance, said He!

#### **CHORUS**



# MAIRI'S WEDDING

Intro: Chorus – ukes only

## **CHORUS**

- [C] Step we gaily on we go
- [F] Heel for heel and [G] toe for toe
- [C] Arm in arm and row and row
- [F] All for Mairi's [G] wedding

[C] Over hillways, up and down,

**[F]** Myrtle green and **[G]** bracken brown, **[C]** Past the sheilings through the town **[F]** All for the sake of **[G]** Mairi.

## CHORUS

- [C] Step we gaily on we go
- [F] Heel for heel and [G] toe for toe
- [C] Arm in arm and row and row
- [F] All for Mairi's [G] wedding
- [C] Red her cheeks as Rowan's are, [F] Bright her eyes as [G] any star.
- **[C]** Fairest of them all by far,
- [F] Is our darlin' [G] Mairie [G]////[A7]////[A7]////

#### CHORUS (KEY CHANGE)

- [D] Step we gaily on we go,
- [G] Heel for heel and [A7] toe for toe,
- [D] Arm and arm and row and row,
- [G] All for Mairi's [A7] wedding.

**[D]** Plenty herring, plenty meal, **[G]** Plenty peat to **[A7]** fill her kreel. **[D]** Plenty bonnie bairns as well, **[G]** That's the toast for **[A7]** Mairi.

#### CHORUS (x2)

- [D] Step we gaily on we go,
- [G] Heel for heel and [A7] toe for toe,
- [D] Arm and arm and row and row, (slow down for 2nd time)
- [G] All for Mairi's [A7] wedding. (End on D chord)

A7	G	D
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HH		HH

**MOLLY MALONE**(Cockles And Mussels; In Dublin's Fair City) <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Time: 1-2-3, 1-2-3,....

In Du[C]blin's[Am] fair city[Dm], where [G7]the girls are so pretty 'Twas[C] there t[Am]hat I firs[Dm]t met S[G7]weet M[G7]olly Ma-Ione She[C] wheeled [Am]her wheel-barrow Throu[Dm]gh streets[G7] broad and narrow Cryin[C]' "Cock[C]les and [G7]mussels[C], a-live, alive-oh!"

## **CHORUS**:

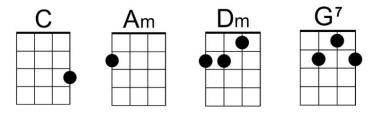
[C]"A-live,[Am] aliv[Dm]e-oh, a-[G7]live, alive-oh, Crying "C[C]ockles [C]and muss[G7]els, a-[C]live, [C]alive-oh!"

She[C] was a[Am] fish-mon[Dm]ger, but sur[G7]e 'twas no wonder For[C] so wer[Am]e her f[Dm]ather an[G7]d moth[G7]er be-fore And th[C]ey each pu[Am]shed their barrow Throu[Dm]gh streets[G7] broad and narrow Cryin[C]' "Cock[C]les and [G7]mussels[C], a-live, alive-oh!"

# Chorus

She[C] died [Am]of a feve[Dm]r, and no[G7] one could save her And[C] that was[Am] the end o[Dm]f Swee[G7]t Moll[G7]y Ma-Ione Now he[C]r ghost [Am]wheels her barrow Throu[Dm]gh streets[G7] broad and narrow Cryin[C]' "Cock[C]les and [G7]mussels[C], a-live, alive-oh!"

# Chorus



# **Muirsheen Durkin**

In the days[C] I went a co[G7]urtin' I was n[C]ever tired resortin' To an aleho[G7]use or a playhouse[C] and many's the house beside But I told m[G7]e brother S[C]eamus I'd go off and be right famous And I'd never [G7]would return [C]again 'til I'd roam the world wide, so

#### Chorus

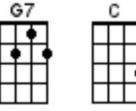
Goodbye Muirsh[G7]een Durkin, sure I'm[C] sick and tired of workin' No more I'll[G7] dig the praties and n[C]o longer I'll be fooled As sure as me name [G7]is Carney I'll be o[C]ff to California Instead of[G7] digging praties I'll be [C]digging lumps of gold

I've courted girls in Bl[G7]arney, in Kant[C]urk and in Killarney In Passag[G7]e and in Qu[C]eenstown, that is the Cobh of Cork Bid farewell [G7]to all thi[C]s pleasure, I'll be off to take me leisure And the next time that you hear from [G7]me will be a lette[C]r from New York saying

## Chorus

Goodbye to all the boys[G7] at home, I'm saili[C]ng far across the foam To try and [G7]make me fortune[C] in far Americay Where there's gold and jewels in[G7] plenty for the[C] poor and for the gentry And when I re[G7]turn again I never [C]more will say

#### Chorus



Mull of Kintyre Paul McCartney Timing ¾ [1,2,3] [1,2,3] Strum: Hit, Du, Du Hit, Du, Du

## Refrain:

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Mull[D] of Kintyre, [G]Oh mist rolling in fr[D]om the Sea
My desir[G]e is always t[A7]o be here, Oh, Mul[D]I of Kintyre.
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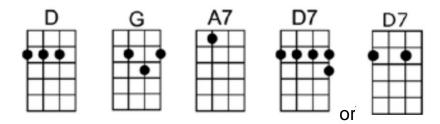
F[D]ar have I travel[D7]led, and much have I seen D[G]ark distant mo[D]untains, with valleys of green. Past pain[D7]ted deserts, The sunset's on fire As [G]he carries me[A7] home, [D]to the Mull of Kintyre.

# Refrain

S[D]weep through the heather, like[D7] deer in the glen C[G]arry me bac[D]k, to the days I knew then. Nights when[D7] we sang, like a heavenly choir Of [G]the life and [A7]the tim[D]e, of the Mull of Kintyre.

# Refrain

S[D]miles in the sunshine, and tea[D7]rs in the rain, S[G]till take me back to [D]where my memories remain. Flickering embers, gro[D7]wing higher and higher As the[G]y carry me b[A7]ack, to[D] the Mull of Kintyre. Refrain X 2

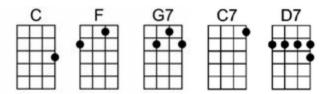


# **My Wild Irish Rose**

Timing: 1-2-3, 1-2-3, INTRO: C-3 F-3 G7-3 C-3 My Wil[C]d Iris[G7]h Rose[C] T[C7]he sweet[F]est flow[G7]er that g[C]rows [C] You m[G7]ay search[C] every where B[G7]ut none[C] can com-pare With my w[D7]ild Irish [G7]Rose [G7]

M[C]y Wil[G7]d Ir[C]ish R[C7]ose The[F] deares[G7]t flow[C]er that[C] grows And so[G7]me day f[C]or my sake She[G7] may let[C] me take The[D7] bloom f[G7]rom my[C] Wild [C]Irish Rose

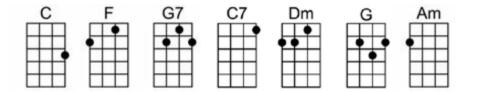
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# Oh Danny Boy ~ Irish Folk Song

[G7]Oh Danny [C]Boy, the pipes, the [C7] pipes are [F] calling[G7]
[G7] From glen to [C]glen, {F} and [C]down the [F] mountain {Am} [G][C] side [G7]
[G7] The summer's [C]gone, and [C7]all the flowers are [F]dying [Dm]
[Dm] 'Tis you, 'tis [C]you must [G7]go and [G7]I must [C][F]bide.[C]
But [G7] come ye [C]back when [F] summer's [G] in the [C]meadow
Or [G7] when the [Am]valley's [G] hushed and [C]white with [G]snow
'Tis I'll be [C]here in [F] sunshine or in [C]shadow
[F] Oh Danny [C]Boy, oh Danny [G7] Boy, I love you [C]so.

[G7] But when you [C] come, when [C7] all the flowers are [F]dying
[G7] And I am [C] dead, {F} and [C] dead I [Am] well may [G][C] be [G7]
[G7] You'll come and [C] find the [C7] place where I am [F] lying
[Dm] And kneel and [C] say an [G7] "Ave" there for [C][F] me.[C]
And [G7] I shall [C] hear, though [F] soft you tread a[C]-bove me
[G7] And all my [C] dreams will [F] warmer and [C] sweeter [G] be
If you'll not [C] fail to [F] tell me that you [C] love me [F]
I'll simply sleep in [C] peace un[G7]-til you come to [C] me.
[Am] Oh Danny [C]Boy, oh Danny [F] Boy, I [G7] love you [C] [F]so. [C]



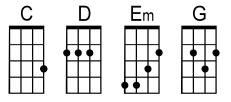
# THE IRISH ROVER – J.M. Crofts

In the **[G]** Fourth of July, eighteen hundred and **[C]** six, We set **[G]** sail from the sweet cove of **[D]** Cork We were **[G]** sailing away with a cargo of **[C]** bricks For the **[G]** grand City **[D]** Hall in New **[G]** York She was a **[G]** wonderful craft, she was **[D]** rigged 'fore and aft And how **[G]** the wild winds **[D]** drove her She 'stood **[G]** several blasts, she had **[Em]** twenty-seven **[C]** masts And they **[G]** called her the **[D]** Irish **[G]** Rover

We had [G] one million bags of the best Sligo [C] rags
We had [G] two million barrels of [D] stones
We had [G] three million sides of old blind horses' [C] hides
We had [G] four million [D] barrels of [G] bones
We had [G] five million hogs and [D] six million dogs
[G] And seven million barrels of [D] porter
We had [G] eight million bales of old [Em] nanny goats' [C] tails
In the [G] hold of the [D] Irish [G] Rover

There was **[G]** Barney McGee from the banks of the **[C]** Lee There was **[G]** Hogan from County Ty-**[D]**rone There was **[G]** Johnny McGurk who was scared stiff of **[C]** work And a **[G]** man from **[D]** Westmeath called **[G]** Malone There was **[G]** Slugger O'Toole who was **[D]** drunk as a rule **[G]** And fighting Bill Tracy from **[D]** Dover And your **[G]** man Mick McCann, from the **[Em]** banks of the Bann Was the **[G]** skipper of the **[D]** Irish **[G]** Rover

We had **[G]** sailed seven years when the measles broke **[C]** out And our **[G]** ship lost her way in the **[D]** fog And the **[G]** whole of the crew was reduced down to **[C]** two 'Twas **[G]** meself and **[D]** the captain's old **[G]** dog Then the **[G]** ship struck a rock; oh Lord **[D]** what a shock **[G]** The bulkhead was turned right **[D]** over We turned **[G]** nine times around - then **[Em]** the poor old dog was **[C]** drowned Now I'm **[G]** the last of the **[D]** Irish Ro-**[G]**ver



# THE UNICORN SONG

Irish Rovers

Intro: [C - 4] [Dm - 2] [G7 - 2] [C - 4]

A **[C]** long time ago, when the **[Dm]** Earth was green There was **[G7]** more kinds of animals than **[C]** you've ever seen They'd **[C]** run around free while the **[Dm]** Earth was being born But the **[C]** loveliest of all was the **[Dm4]**U-**[G74]**-ni-**[C]**corn

There was [C] green alligators and [Dm] long-necked geese Some [G7] humpty-backed camels and some [C] chimpanzees Some [C] cats and rats and elephants, but [Dm] sure as you're born The [C] loveliest of all was the [Dm] $\downarrow$ U-[G7] $\downarrow$ -ni-[C]corn

Now **[C]** God seen some sinning and it **[Dm]** gave Him pain And He **[G7]** says, "Stand back, I'm going to **[C]** make it rain" He says, **[C]** "Hey brother Noah, I'll **[Dm]** tell you what to do **[C]** Build me a **[Dm]**↓floa-**[G7]**↓ting **[C]** zoo,

And take some of those...

[C] Green alligators and [Dm] long-necked geese
 Some [G7] humpty-backed camels and some [C] chimpanzees
 Some [C] cats and rats and elephants, but [Dm] sure as you're born
 [C] Don't you forget My [Dm↓]U-[G7↓]-ni-[C]corns!"

Old **[C]** Noah was there to **[Dm]** answer the call He **[G7]** finished up making the ark just as the **[C]** rain started fallin' He **[C]** marched the animals **[Dm]** two by two, And He **[C]** called out as **[Dm]** they **[G7]** went **[C]** through

"Hey Lord,

I've got your [C] green alligators and [Dm] long-necked geese Some [G7] humpty-backed camels and some [C] chimpanzees Some [C] cats and rats and elephants, but [Dm] Lord, I'm so forlorn I [C] just can't see no [Dm] U-[G7] -ni-[C] corns."



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Then [C] Noah looked out through the [Dm] driving rain
And the [G7] unicorns were hiding
[C] Playing silly games
[C] Kicking and splashing while the [Dm] rain was pourin'
[C] Ah, them silly [Dm4]U-[G74]-ni-[C]corns!

There was **[C]** green alligators, and **[Dm]** long-necked geese. Some **[G7]** humpty-backed camels and some **[C]** chimpanzees Noah **[C]** cried, "Close the door, 'cause the **[Dm]** rain is pourin' And **[C]** we just can't wait for no **[Dm]** $\downarrow$ U-**[G7]** $\downarrow$ -ni-**[C]**corns!"

The **[C]** ark started moving, it **[Dm]** drifted with the tide The **[G7]** unicorns looked up from the **[C]** rocks and they cried And the **[C]** waters came down and sort of **[Dm]** floated them away...... **[STOP]** 

(TACET) Spoken:

And that's why you've never seen a unicorn, to this very day!

You'll see

[C] green alligators and [Dm] long-necked geese

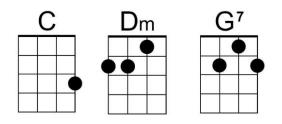
Some [G7] humpty backed camels and some [C] chimpanzees

Some [C] cats and rats and elephants

But [Dm] sure as you're born

You're [C] never gonna see no

[Dm] U\_\_\_[G7]-ni\_\_\_ [C]corns! [C↓] [G7↓] [C↓]



# **The Wild Rover**

Traditional

INTRO: / 1 2 3 / 1 2 3 [C] [G7] [C] [C]

I've [C] been a wild rover for many the [F] year I've [C] spent all me [G7] money on whiskey and [C] beer But [C] now I'm returning with gold in great [F] store [F] And I [C] never will [G7] play the wild rover no [C] more

## CHORUS:

And it's **[G7]** no, nay, never <TAP, TAP, TAP> **[C]** No, nay, never, no **[F]** more Will I **[C]** play the wild **[F]** rover No **[G7]** never, no **[C]** more

I [C] went into an ale house I used to fre-[F]quent And I [C] told the land-[G7]lady me money's all [C] spent I [C] asked her for credit, she answered me [F] "Nay... Such a [C] custom like [G7] yours I could get any [C] day"

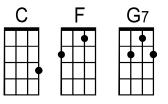
## **CHORUS**

[C] And from my pocket, I took ten sovereigns [F] bright And the [C] landlady's [G7] eyes opened wide with de-[C]light She [C] says "I have whiskeys and the wines of the [F] best And the [C] words that you [G7] told me were only in [C] jest"

#### **CHORUS**

I'll go **[C]** home to me parents, confess what I've **[F]** done And I'll **[C]** ask them to **[G7]** pardon their prodigal **[C]** son And **[C]** when they caressed me as oft times be-**[F]**fore Sure I **[C]** never will **[G7]** play the wild rover no **[C]** more

## **CHORUS X 2**



GYPSY ROVER Leo MacGuire, 1952

[12] [12] (Strum D-d-u / D-d-u) INTRO: **[C] / [G7] / [C] / [G7]** /

The [C] gypsy [G7] rover came [C] over the [G7] hill [C] Down through the [G7] valley so [C] sha-[G7]dy He [C] whistled and he [G7] sang 'til the [Em] greenwoods [Am] rang And [C] he won the [F] heart of a [C] la-[F]-a-[C]dy [G7]

CHORUS: (repeat after each verse) [C] Ah-de-[G7]do, ah-de-[C] do-da-[G7] day [C] Ah-de-[G7]do, ah-de-[C]da-[G7]ay He [C] whistled and he [G7] sang 'til the [Em] greenwoods [Am] rang And [C] he won the [F] heart of a [C] la-[F]-a-[C]dy [G7]

She [C] left her [G7] father's [C] castle [G7] gates She [C] left her [G7] own fine [C] lo-[G7]ver She [C] left her [G7] servants and [Em] her es-[Am]state To [C] follow the [F] gypsy [C] ro-[F]-o-[C]ver [G7]

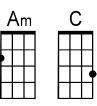
Her [C] father saddled [G7] up his [C] fastest [G7] steed And [C] roamed the [G7] valleys all [C] o-[G7] er [C] Sought his [G7] daughter [Em] at great [Am] speed And the [C] whistling [F] gypsy [C] ro-[F]-o-[C]ver [G7]

He [C] came at [G7] last to a [C] mansion [G7] fine [C] Down by the [G7] river [C] Clay-[G7]dee And [C] there was [G7] music and [Em] there was [Am] wine For the [C] gypsy [F] and his [C] la-[F]-a-[C]dy [G7]

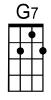
"He [C] is no [G7] gypsy, my [C] father" she [G7] said "But [C] lord of these [G7] lands all [C] o-[G7]ver And [C] I shall [G7] stay 'til my [Em] dying [Am] day With my [C] whistling [F] gypsy [C] ro-[F]-o-[C]ver [G7]

#### Final CHORUS:

[C] Ah-de-[G7]do, ah-de-[C]do-da-[G7]day
[C] Ah-de-[G7]do, ah-de-[C]da-[G7]ay
He [C] whistled and he [G7] sang 'til the [Em] greenwoods [Am] rang
And [C] he won the [F] heart of a [C] la-[F]-a-[C]dy [G7] [C]







Wasn't That a Party

**Irish Rovers** 

#### Chorus

[C] Could've been the whiskey, Might've been the gin. Could've been the three or four six-packs, I don't know But [C7] look at the mess I'm in My head is like a [F] football I think I'm gonna [C] die! Tell me, [G] me oh, me oh my! [STOP] Wasn't that a [C] party?

[C] Someone took a grapefruit, wore it like a hat.
I saw someone under my kitchen table
[C7] Talking to my old tom cat
They were talking 'bout [F] hockey
The cat was talking [C] back!!!
Long about [G] then every-thing went black! [STOP]
Wasn't that a [C] party?

#### Chorus

BRIDGE:	[C] I'm sure it's just my [F] memory		
	Playing tricks on [C] me		
	But I [D] think I saw my buddy		
	Cutting [G] down my neighbour's tree! [STOP]		

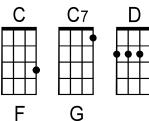
## Chorus

2<sup>nd</sup> BRIDGE: Billy Joe and [F] Tommy Well they went a little [C] far They were [D] sitting in the back yard, blowing on a sireen From [G] somebody's Police car [STOP]

So you see, Your **[C]** Honour It was all in fun That little bittie drag meet down on Main Street Was just to **[C7]** see if the cops could run So they run us in to **[F]** see you In an alcoholic **[C]** haze I sure can **[G]** use those thirty days **[STOP]** To re-cover from the **[C]** party!

#### Chorus

ENDING: Wasn't that a party? Wasn't that a [C(4)] party? F(4) G7(4) C(1)





# When Irish Eyes Are Smiling

3/4 Timing ~ Waltz Timing (1, 2, 3)

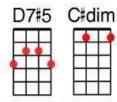
There's a **[G]** tear in your **[D7]** eye, and I'm **[G]** wondering **[D7]** why, For it **[G]** never should be there at **[D]** all. With such **[D7]** pow'r in your smile, sure a **[G]** stone you'll be-**[E7]**guile, Though there's **[A7]** never a teardrop should **[D7]** fall. When your **[G]** sweet lilting **[D7]** laughter, like **[G]** some fairy **[D7]** song, And your **[G]** eyes twinkle bright as can **[C]** be, You should **[D7]** laugh all the while, and all **[G]** other times **[E7]** smile, And now **[A7]** smile a smile for **[D7]** me.

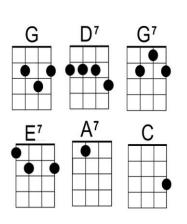
# <u>CHORUS</u>

When **[G]** Irish **[D7]** eyes are **[G]** smiling **[G7]** Sure, 'tis **[C]** like a morn in **[G]** Spring **[G7]** In the **[C]** lilt of Irish **[G]** laughter **[E7]** You can **[A7]** hear the angels **[D7]** sing **[D7+5]** When **[G]** Irish **[D7]** hearts are **[G]** happy **[G7]** All the **[C]** world seems bright and **[G]** gay **[G7]** And when **[C]** Irish **[C#dim]** eyes are **[G]** smiling **[E7]** Sure, they'll **[A7]** steal your **[D7]** heart a-**[G]** way.

For your [G] smile is a [D7] part of the [G] love in your [D7] heart, And it [G] makes even sunshine more [D] bright. Like the [D7] linnet's sweet song, crooning [G] all the day [E7] long, Comes your [A7] laughter so tender and [D7] light. For the [G] springtime of [D7] life is the [G] sweetest of [D7] all, There is [G] ne'er a real care or re-[C]gret, And while [D7] springtime is ours throughout [G] all of youth's [E7] hours, Let us [A7] smile each chance we [D7] get.

<u>CHORUS</u>





# Whiskey in the Jar

Intro [C] [Am] [F] [C]

[C] As I was going over the [Am] Cork and Kerry mountains
I [F] met with Captain Farrell and his [C] money he was counting.
I first produced my pistol, and [Am] then produced my rapier.
I said [F] stand and deliver, or the [C] devil he may take you,

Chorus After every verse Musha [G] ring dumma do damma da [C] Whack for the daddy 'o

[F] Whack for the daddy 'o

There's [C] whiskey [G] in the [C] jar

[C] I counted out his money, and it [Am] made a pretty penny.
I [F] put it in my pocket and I [C] took it home to Jenny.
She sighed and she swore, that she [Am] never would deceive me, but the [F] devil take the women, for they [C] never can be easy

[C] I went into my chamber, all [Am] for to take a slumber,I [F] dreamt of gold and jewels and for [C] sure it was no wonder.But Jenny took my charges and she [Am] filled them up with water,Then [F] sent for Captain Farrell to be [C] ready for the slaughter.

[C] It was early in the morning, be- [Am] fore I rose up for travel,
Up [F] comes a band of footman and [C] likewise Captain Farrell.
I first produced my pistol, for she [Am] stole away my rapier,
But I [F] couldn't shoot the water so a [C] prisoner I was taken.

[C] If anyone can aid me, 'tis my [Am] brother in the army,If [F] I can find his station down in [C] Cork or in Killarney.And if he'll come and save me, we'll go [Am] roving near Kilkenny,And I [F] swear he'll treat me better than me [C] darling sportling Jenny

[C] Now some men take delight in the [Am] carriages a rolling,
[F] But others take delight in the [C] hurley or the bowlin'.
But I take delight in the [Am] juice of the barley,
And [F] courting pretty fair maids in the [C] morning bright and early
Chorus Then repeat last 3 lines of chorus to a rousing crescendo

