

The Water is wide

anon. (scotland)

The musical score is written on a treble clef staff in 3/4 time. It consists of three lines of music. The first line starts with a 7-measure rest, followed by a triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4), a half note (C5), a triplet of eighth notes (B4, A4, G4), and a half note (F4). The second line starts with a triplet of eighth notes (F4, G4, A4), a half note (B4), a half note (C5), a half note (B4), a half note (A4), a half note (G4), and a half note (F4). The third line starts with a half note (E4), a half note (D4), a half note (C4), a half note (B3), a half note (A3), a half note (G3), a half note (F3), and a half note (E3). The lyrics are: 'The wat - er is wide,[ext] I can - not get o'er, Neith - - - er have[ext] I wings to[ext] fly.[ext] Give me a boat[ext] that can car - ry two,[ext] and both shall cross,[ext] my true love and I.'

3 F B \flat F

The wat - er is wide,[ext] I can - not get o'er, Neith - - - er

3 Dm Gm C Am

have[ext] I wings to[ext] fly.[ext] Give me a boat[ext] that can car - ry

6 B \flat C7 F B \flat F

two,[ext] and both shall cross,[ext] my true love and I.

I leaned back against an oak,
Thinking it was a mighty tree,
But first it bent and then it broke,
So did my love prove false to me.

I put my hand on some soft bush,
Thinking the sweetest flower to find,
I pricked my finger to the bone,
And kept the sweetest flower behind.

Oh, love is handsome and love is kind,
Gay as a jewel when it's new,
But love grows old and waxes cold,
And fades away like morning dew.

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