

Christmas, Yuletide, the frosty, dark months.  
A heartwarming celebration to ease the cold.

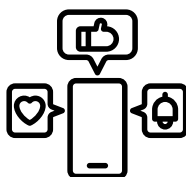
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HERE WE COME A-WASSAILING



## Song Book

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## **In the Bleak Midwinter**

In the bleak mid-winter  
Frosty wind made moan,  
Earth stood hard as iron,  
Water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,  
Snow on snow,  
In the bleak mid-winter  
Long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him  
Nor earth sustain;  
Heaven and earth shall flee away  
When He comes to reign:  
In the bleak mid-winter  
A stable-place sufficed  
For God almighty in  
Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim  
Worship night and day,  
A breastful of milk  
And a mangerful of hay;  
Enough for Him, whom angels  
Fall down before,  
The ox and ass and camel  
Which adore.

Angels and archangels  
May have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Thronged the air,  
But his mother only  
In her maiden bliss,  
Worshipped the beloved  
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,  
Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd  
I would bring a lamb,  
If I were a wise man  
I would do my part,  
Yet what I can I give Him,  
Give my heart.

## **Oak and Ash and Thorn**

Sing Oak and Ash and Thorn, good Sirs  
All on a Midwinter morn  
Surely we sing of no little thing,  
In Oak and Ash and Thorn!

## **The Holly and the Ivy**

The holly and the ivy  
when they are both full grown,  
of all the trees that are in the wood  
the holly bears the crown.

**The rising of the sun  
and the running of the deer,  
the playing of the merry harp,  
sweet singing in the choir.**

The holly bears a blossom,  
white as the lily flower,  
and Mary brought forth Jesus,  
to be a sweet Saviour.

The holly bears a berry,  
as red as any blood,  
and Mary brought forth Jesus  
to fill our hearts with love.

The holly bears a prickle,  
as sharp as any thorn,  
and Mary brought forth Jesus  
Christmas day in the morn.

The holly and the ivy,  
when they are both full grown,  
of all the trees that are in the wood  
The holly bears the crown.

## **Down by the River**

For we all stand together, or we  
don't stand at all,  
Watch your tower crumble as you  
fall  
And the nights may grow colder  
And the day feels so long  
But the light inside will help to  
keep you warm.

## **I Saw Three Ships**

I saw three ships come sailing in  
On Christmas day, on Christmas day,  
I saw three ships come sailing in  
On Christmas day in the morning.

And who was in those ships all three,  
On Christmas day, on Christmas day?  
And who was in those ships all three,  
On Christmas day in the morning?

It was our Lord and Lady,  
On Christmas day, on Christmas day,  
It was our Lord and Lady,  
On Christmas day in the morning.

O they sailed into Bethlehem,  
On Christmas day, on Christmas day,  
O they sailed into Bethlehem,  
On Christmas day in the morning.

And all the bells on Earth shall ring,  
On Christmas day, on Christmas day  
And all the bells on Earth shall ring  
On Christmas day in the morning

And all the souls on Earth shall sing  
On Christmas day, on Christmas day  
And all the souls on Earth shall sing On  
Christmas day in the morning.

## Good King Wenceslas

Good King Wenceslas looked out  
On the feast of Stephen  
When the snow lay round about  
Deep and crisp and even  
Brightly shone the moon that night  
Though the frost was cruel  
When a poor man came in sight  
Gathering winter fuel

*"Hither, page, and stand by me  
If thou knows it tell me:*

*Yonder peasant, who is he?*

*Where and what his dwelling?"*

*"Sire, he lives a good league hence  
Underneath the mountain  
Right against the forest fence  
By Saint Agnes' fountain"*

*"Bring me food and bring me wine  
Bring me pine logs hither  
Thou and I will see him dine  
When we bear the thither"*

Page and monarch, forth they went  
Forth they went together  
Through the strong wind's wild lament  
And the bitter weather

*"Sire, the night is darker now  
And the wind blows stronger  
Fails my heart, I know not how  
I can go no longer"*

*"Ark my footsteps, my good page  
Tread thou in them boldly  
Thou shalt find the winter's rage  
Freeze thy blood less coldly"*

In his master's step he trod  
Where the snow lay dented  
Heat was in the very sod  
Which the saint had printed  
Therefore, everyone be sure  
Wealth or rank possessing  
Ye who now will bless the poor  
Shall yourselves find blessing

## God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

God rest ye merry gentlemen  
Let nothing you dismay  
Remember that a saviour  
Was born on Christmas day  
To save us all from the powers  
That would lead us astray

*O glad tidings of comfort and joy,  
Comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy*

Down from the heights of heaven  
The blessed angels came  
Unto certain shepherds  
With tidings of the same,  
That he was born in Bethlehem  
To save our hearts from shame

*With glad tidings of comfort and joy,  
Comfort and joy  
Glad tidings of comfort and joy*

Now when they came to Bethlehem  
Where this sweet saviour lay.  
They found him in a manger where  
oxen feed on hay,  
His mother Mary kneeling down  
In silence she did pray

*With glad tidings of comfort and  
joy,  
Comfort and joy  
Glad tidings of comfort and joy*

With sudden joy and gladness  
These shepherds were beguiled  
To see the babe of Israel held by  
his mother mild,  
So then with joy and cheerfulness  
rejoice each mother's child

*With glad tidings of comfort and  
joy...*

Now to our world sing praises  
All you within this place  
As we true loving brethren  
Each other to embrace  
For the merry time of  
Christmas  
Is coming on a pace...

*With glad tidings of comfort and  
joy...*

## **We Wish You a Merry Christmas**

We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year.

Good tidings we bring to you  
and your kin,  
Good tidings for Christmas and  
a Happy New Year.

Oh, bring us a figgy pudding  
Oh, bring us a figgy pudding  
Oh, bring us a figgy pudding  
and a cup of good cheer.

We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year.

Good tidings we bring to you  
and your kin,  
Good tidings for Christmas and  
a Happy New Year.

We won't go until we get some  
We won't go until we get some  
We won't go until we get some  
so bring some out here.

We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year.

Good tidings we bring to you  
and your kin,  
Good tidings for Christmas and  
a Happy New Year.

We wish you a Merry Christmas  
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and a Happy New Year.

## 12 Days of Christmas

On the **first** day of Christmas  
my true love sent to me  
a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **second** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Two turtle doves,  
and a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **third** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **fourth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **fifth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **sixth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **seventh** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Seven swans a-swimming,  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **eighth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Eight maids a-milking,  
Seven swans a-swimming,  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.



On the **ninth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Nine ladies dancing,  
Eight maids a-milking,  
Seven swans a-swimming,  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **tenth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Ten lords a-leaping,  
Nine ladies dancing,  
Eight maids a-milking,  
Seven swans a-swimming,  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

**[This Little Light of Mine  
I'm gonna let it shine x3  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it  
shine]**

On the **eleventh** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Eleven pipers piping,  
Ten lords a-leaping,  
Nine ladies dancing,  
Eight maids a-milking,  
Seven swans a-swimming,  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree.

On the **twelfth** day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Twelve drummers drumming,  
Eleven pipers piping,  
Ten lords a-leaping,  
Nine ladies dancing,  
Eight maids a-milking,  
Seven swans a-swimming,  
Six geese a-laying,  
Five golden rings,  
Four calling birds,  
Three French hens,  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree!