

# 6. Skye Boat Song

Scottish Air

*Speed bonnie boat, like a bird on the wing,  
Onward the sailor's cry;  
Carry the lad that's born to be king  
Over the sea to Skye.*

This is an old Hebridean rowing song. The melody became well-known as a song telling of the famous escape in 1745 of Bonnie Prince Charlie together with Flora Macdonald and some followers from mainland Scotland to the isle of Skye.

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Ancienne chanson à ramer des Hébrides, cette mélodie est devenue célèbre en tant que chanson racontant la fameuse évasion en 1745 de Bonnie Prince Charlie et Flora Macdonald qui, avec leurs partisans, fuyaient l'Écosse pour l'île de Skye.

*arr. David Russell \**

The musical score consists of five staves of music. Staff 1 starts with a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and common time. It features a melodic line with grace notes and dynamic markings like '19' and '8----'. Staff 2 begins with a bass clef and continues the melodic line. Staff 3 also begins with a bass clef. Staff 4 starts with a treble clef and includes Roman numerals I, II, III, IV, V, VI above the staff, indicating harmonic progressions. Staff 5 begins with a bass clef. The music concludes with a final cadence and a fermata over the last note.

\* The arranger's name should be mentioned in concert programs. / Le nom de l'arrangeur devrait être mentionné dans les programmes de concert.

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