



The Skye Boat Song Anonymous

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Words by Harold Boulton
 Music traditional

This song relates to an incident concerning Prince Charlie in the winter of 1745-6, when he escaped from his enemies by putting out to sea in a rising storm with Flora MacDonald and a few other loyal Highland followers; his pursuers did not dare to follow.

With movement

G Em C⁶ D Em C Dsus D

CHORUS

f G

Am/G D G Am G

Speed, bon nie boat, like a bird on the wing, On - ward, the sai - lors cry; —

Am/G D G C G

Fine

Car - ry the lad that's born to be king O - ver the sea to Skye. —