



All aboard! All aboard for a musical journey through the islands of Scotland. All you need to bring is your imagination, perhaps a musical instrument, and a thirst for knowledge. Our itinerary is below, and I am your Captain for the expedition.

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Rothesay Bay (Scott-Gatty)









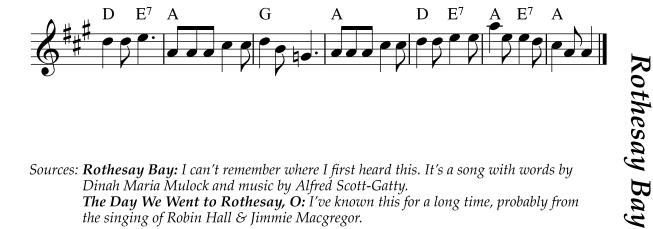
Day We Went to Rothesay, O (traditional)











Sources: Rothesay Bay: I can't remember where I first heard this. It's a song with words by Dinah Maria Mulock and music by Alfred Scott-Gatty. The Day We Went to Rothesay, O: I've known this for a long time, probably from

the singing of Robin Hall & Jimmie Macgregor.













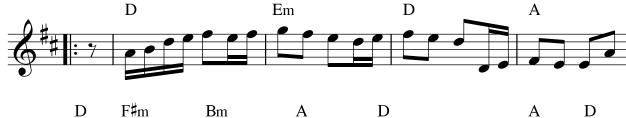


Arran Air (traditional)













The Lights of Lochindaal (Iain Simpson)



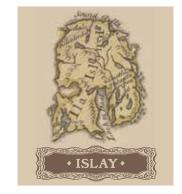






The Islay Teenager (traditional)











Sources: **Lights of Lochindaal:** A popular song by Iain Simpson sung by Calum Kennedy, Alastair Gillies, The Tartan Lads and many more. Arranged by Nigel Gatherer. **Islay Teenager:** A 'puirt a beul' (mouth music tune), here from the playing of



button accordionist Fergie MacDonald. It's based on the old Scots tune "The Marquis of Huntly's Highland Fling". ights of Lochindaal



waltz

Crossing to Jura (R Kennedy/D MacDonald)



















# Crossing to Jura

Out from Kintyre as the boat leaves the quay, The steam's full of heather and the wild rugged sea, We make for the bar, hae good cup of tea, When we cross over tae Jura.

The Paps in the distance are mighty and proud, The sea she is roarin' as we cross the Sound, But the wind and the taste of the salt in the air, When we cross over tae Jura.



Source: The Jura Ceilidh Band, A Trip to Cape Breton (1998).

Crossing to Jura



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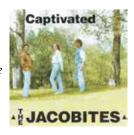






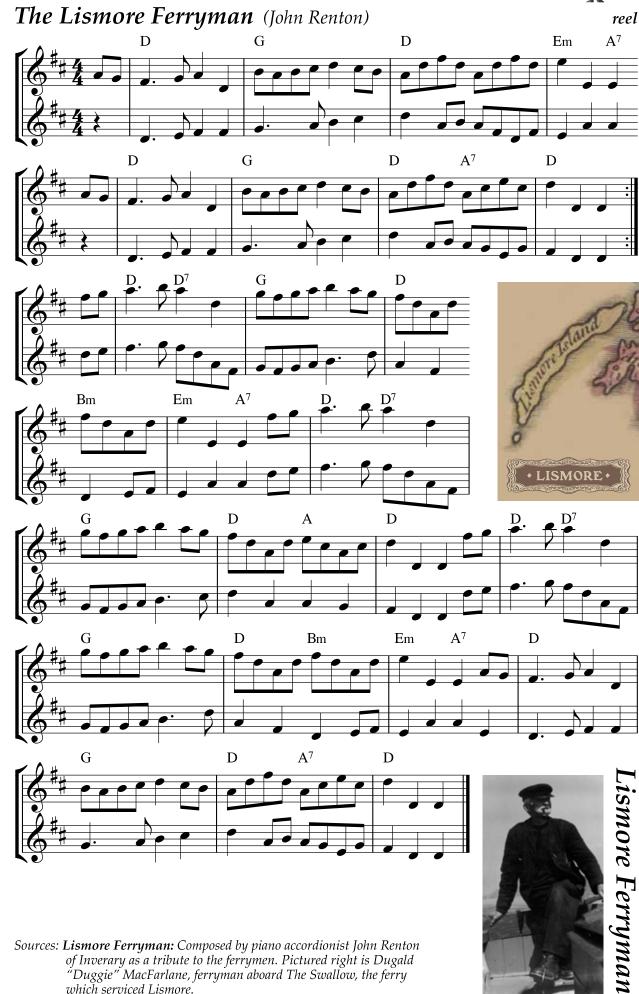


Sources: **Colonsay Aire:** Dave Davidson was a folksinger who performed under the name The Jacobites. They released at least three records, and the constant member was Davidson. On their 1992 album Captivated he was joined by singer and whistle player Gillian Murray, who composed Colonsay Aire.



Colonsay Aire



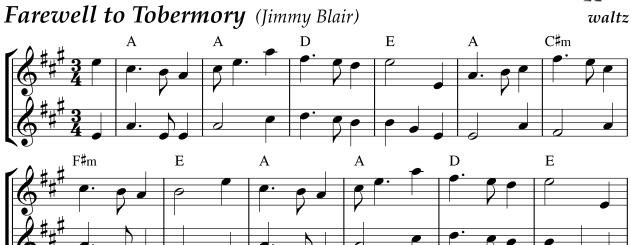


Sources: Lismore Ferryman: Composed by piano accordionist John Renton of Inverary as a tribute to the ferrymen. Pictured right is Dugald "Duggie" MacFarlane, ferryman aboard The Swallow, the ferry which serviced Lismore.

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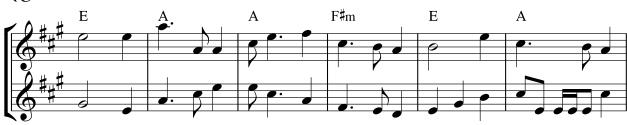
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Farewell to Tobermory

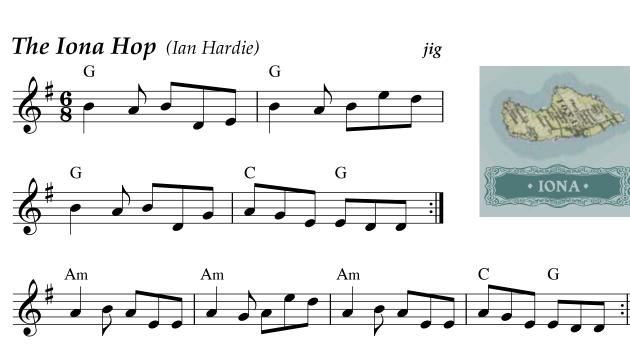
Source: Composed by accordionist and band leader **Jimmy Blair**, I transcribed it from a recording by his son Gary.

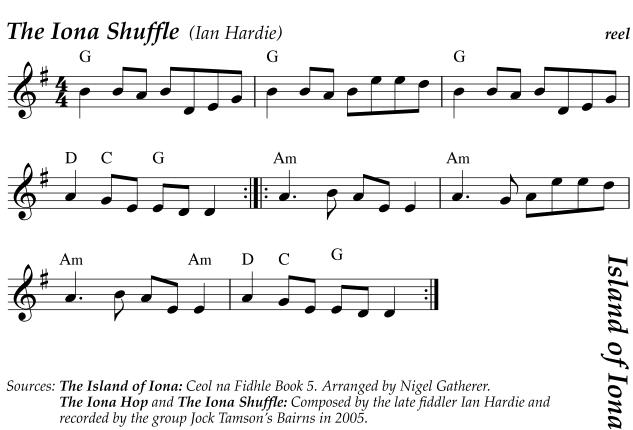






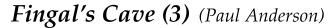






Sources: **The Island of Iona:** Ceol na Fidhle Book 5. Arranged by Nigel Gatherer. The Iona Hop and The Iona Shuffle: Composed by the late fiddler Ian Hardie and recorded by the group Jock Tamson's Bairns in 2005.



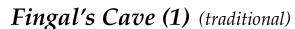


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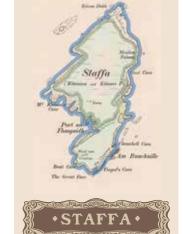






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ingal's Cave











Sources: **Fingal's Cave (3):** Composed by Aberdeenshire fiddler Paul Anderson, here transcribed from his album Granite (2004). Arranged by Nigel Gatherer. **Fingal's Cave (1):** This one's old and is often played as a slow air. There are a number of tunes titled Fingal's Cave, so I number them so I can tell them apart.



Land of the Corn (Nigel Gatherer)

Gaelic waltz









Tiree Love Lilt (traditional)

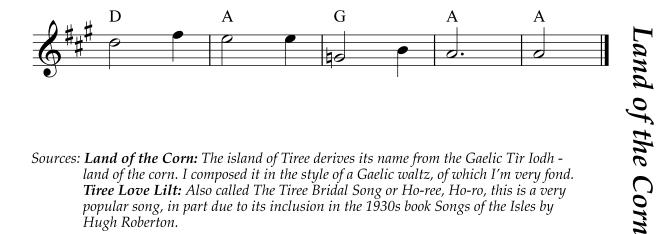
Gaelic waltz











Sources: Land of the Corn: The island of Tiree derives its name from the Gaelic Tir Iodh land of the corn. I composed it in the style of a Gaelic waltz, of which I'm very fond. Tiree Love Lilt: Also called The Tiree Bridal Song or Ho-ree, Ho-ro, this is a very popular song, in part due to its inclusion in the 1930s book Songs of the Isles by Hugh Roberton.