

Nigel Gatherer's Scottish Collection



Caledonia (Dougie MacLean)

Musical notation for the whistle tune 'Caledonia' by Dougie MacLean. The notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp). Below each staff are the corresponding notes in letter notation: D G G, D A A, B C D, C B, C B A, G E, D G G, D A A; B C D, C, D D D D D B, B A, G A, B B B A G, E; E G G, G E, E D D B C B, B A, G, D D D D D B, B A, G A; B B B B A G, E, E G G, B, B A A G B A, G.

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1. I don't know if you can see
 The changes that have come over me;
 In these last few days I've been afraid
 That I might drift away.
 So I've been telling old stories, singing songs,
 That make me think about where I came from,
 And that's the reason why I seem
 So far away today.

Ch: *Let me tell you that I love you,
 And I think about you all the time;
 Caledonia, you're calling me,
 And now I'm going home.
 For if I should become a stranger,
 You know that it would make me more than sad -
 Caledonia's been everything I've ever had.*

3. Now I'm sitting here before the fire,
 The empty room, the forest choir,
 The flames that couldn't get any higher -
 They've withered now they've gone;
 But I'm steady thinking, my way is clear,
 And I know what I will do tomorrow,
 When the hands have shaken
 And the kisses flowed,
 Then I will disappear.



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