

Roderick Dhu

Ruairi Dubh (traditional)

slow air

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems of two staves each (treble and bass clef). Chords are indicated above the treble staff. The piece includes repeat signs at the end of the first and fourth systems.

Chords: Em, Em, C, G, D, G, Em, Em, C, G, D, Em, G, G, D, Em, Em, C, G, Am, Em, G, C, G, D, Em.



A melody associated with Sir Walter Scott's narrative poem The Lady of the Lake. One of its characters - Roderick Dhu, chief of Clan Alpin - is outlawed after a bloodthirsty murder. This setting was published in Captain Simon Fraser's Airs and Melodies of the Highlands and Islands (1874).

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