

## Nigel Gatherer's Burns Collection



### Of A' the Airts the Wind Can Blaw (Wm Marshall)

Sheet music for the tune "Of A' the Airts the Wind Can Blaw" (Wm Marshall). The music is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics below it. The lyrics are: D G G G G G D G È Ì B A G F# E, D G G G G G D G È Ì È Ì B Ì, È Ì È Ì B Ì B A G A B C B A G F# E, D G G G G G D G È Ì Ì B A B G, G D E D G A A G A, B G D E G G G B A, C Ì C B A B A G F# E A G F# E D C Ì, C B B G C C È Ì Ì Ì B.

Miss Margaret Gordon was the only surviving daughter of Rear Admiral William Gordon and his wife Elizabeth Forbes. William Marshall dedicated this tune to her (It was originally called Miss Admiral Gordon's). Burns loved Marshall's tunes, and chose this one to pen a tribute to his wife Jean Armour in 1788.



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