

Nigel Gatherer's Scottish Collection

Prince's Strand (James Duncan Mackenzie)

slow reel

Musical score for Mandolin in 4/4 time, key of D major. The score consists of five systems of music, each with a treble clef staff and a mandolin staff (labeled T and B). Chord symbols are placed above the treble staff. The mandolin staff contains fret numbers for the strings.

System 1: Chords: Em, Em, D. Fret numbers: 2 5 0 0 0 5 2, 5 2 2 0 0 5 0, 0 5 0 0 0 5 0 2.

System 2: Chords: D, F#m, Em, Em, D. Fret numbers: 0 2 5 5 2 0 5, 2 5 0 0 0 5 0 2, 5 2 0 5 0 2, 0 5 0 2 0 5 0.

System 3: Chords: D, G, Em, Em. Fret numbers: 0 5 0 2 0 5 3 2, 2 5 0 0 5 2, 2 0 5 0 0 5 2 5.

System 4: Chords: D, D, F#m, Em. Fret numbers: 0 5 0 0 5 0 2, 0 5 0 5 2 0 5, 2 5 0 0 5 2 2.

System 5: Chords: Em, D, D, G. Fret numbers: 2 0 5 0 0 5 2 5, 0 5 0 2 0 5 0, 0 5 0 2 0 5 3 2.

Composed by Scottish piper James Duncan Mackenzie while he played his pipe on Coilleag a' Phrionnsa (the Prince's Cockleshell Strand, or Prince's Beach) on Eriskay "on a warm July evening". It is said that Bonnie Prince Charlie first set foot there on his way to battles and bloodshed in 1745.



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