

The Irish Collection



The Shamrock Shore (traditional)

Mandolin tablature for "The Shamrock Shore" in D major, 3/4 time. The piece consists of 16 measures across four systems. Chords are indicated above the staff: D, D, D, G, C, D, D, D, G, D, D7, D7, C, G, C, C, G, C, C, D, D, D.

Tablature (T = Treble, B = Bass):

- System 1: T: 0 0 2 3, 0 0, 0 4 0, 5 4 0, 5 4 5, 0 0, 0 2
- System 2: T: 5 2 0 5, 0 2 3, 5 5 3 2, 0 5, 3 2 0, 5 0 2, 5 5
- System 3: T: 5 2 0 5, 0 2 3, 5 5 3 2, 0 5, 3 2 0, 5 0 2, 5 5
- System 4: T: 0 0 2 3, 0 0, 0 4 0, 5 4 0, 5 4 5, 0 0, 0 2

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From Derry quay we sailed away
On the twenty-third of May.
We were taken on board by a pleasant crew,
Bound for Amerikay.
Fresh water then we did take on,
Five thousand gallons or more,
In case we'd run short going to New York
Far away from the shamrock shore.

So fare thee well, sweet Liza dear
And likewise to Derry town,
And twice farewell to my comrades brave
Who dwell on that sainted ground.
If fortune it ever should favour me,
And I to have money in store
I'll come back and I'll wed the wee lassie
I left on Paddy's green shamrock shore.



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