Loch Lomond

Words & Music by someone unknown to us Sing and play along with Ella Roberts @ <u>https://youtu.be/gb8AGuD2uOI</u>

EABy yon bonnie banks and by yon bonnie braes,
E $A B^7$ Where the sun shines bright on Loch Lomond,
AE A^{sus2} A^{add9} Where me and my true love will never meet again,
 A^{sus2} EA $B^7 E$ On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lo-mond.

CHORUS

EAEO ye'll take the high road, and I'll take the low,
EA B^7 And I'll be in Scotland a'fore ye,
AE A^{sus2} A^{add9} AE A^{sus2} A^{add9} ABut me and my true love will never meet again,
 A^{sus2} EA B^7 On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond.

Ε A 'Twas there that we parted, in yon shady glen, E $A B^7$ On the steep, steep side o' Ben Lomond, Asus2 Ε Aadd9 AA Where in a purple hue, the highland hills we viewed, Asus2 $B^7 E$ E A And the moon coming out in the gloaming.

CHORUS

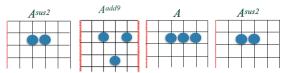
E A The wee birdies sing and the wildflowers spring, E A B^7 And in sunshine the waters are sleeping. Asus2 A^{add9} A E A But the broken heart it kens nae second spring again, $B^7 E$ Asus2 E A Though the waeful may cease frae their grieving.



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'TIS ACCEPTABLE TO PLAY AN A FOR THE ENTIRE "never meet again, on" PHRASE. YET, THE A^{sus2} Aadd9 A Asus2 PROGRESSION ADDS A BIT OF HARMONIC COLOR.

History

Loch Lomond is a lake surrounded by highlands in southern Scotland in The Trossachs National Park. *Google*

One story is that the song "Loch Lomond" was written by a Scottish soldier awaiting

death in enemy captivity in his final letter, visualizing his home and how much he would miss it.

Another tale is that during the Jacobite rising of 1745 a soldier wrote this song during the retreat from England. The "low road" may be a reference to the Celtic belief that if someone died away from his homeland, then the fairies would provide a route of this name for his soul to return home.

"Loch Lomond" is one of many poems and songs that emerged from Jacobite political culture in Scotland. Historian Murray G. H. Pittock writes that the song "is a Jacobite adaptation of an eighteenth-century erotic song, with the lover dying for his king, and taking only the 'low road' of death back to Scotland."

Wikipedia





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"Death—the last sleep? No, it is the final awakening." Scotts writer Sir Walter Scott (1771-1832)

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