



**CBCC**  
**Christmas Songbook**  
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### **Deck the Halls**

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, *Fa la la la la, la la la la*

Tis the season to be jolly, *Fa la la la la, la la la la*

Don we now our gay apparel, *Fa la\_\_*

Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, *Fa la\_\_*

See the blazing Yule before us, *Fa la\_\_*

Strike the harp and join the chorus, *Fa la\_\_*

Follow me in merry measure, *Fa la\_\_*

While I tell the Yuletide treasure, *Fa la\_\_*

Fast away the old year passes, *Fa la\_\_*

Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, *Fa la\_\_*

Sing we joyous all together, *Fa la\_\_*

Heedless of the wind and weather, *Fa la\_\_*

### **Ding dong merrily on high**

Ding dong merrily on high,

In heav'n the bells are ringing:

Ding dong! verily the sky

Is riv'n with angel singing.

***Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!***

E'en so here below, below,

Let steeple bells be swungen,

And "Io, io, io!"

By priest and people sungen.

***Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!***

Pray you, dutifully prime

Your matin chime, ye ringers;

May you beautifully rime

Your eve time song, ye singers.

***Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!***

### **The First Noel**

The first Noel the angel did say,  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep  
On a cold winters night that was so deep

***Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel***

***Born is the King of Is-rael***

They looked up and saw a star,  
Shining in the East, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light;  
And so it continued both day and night.

***Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel***

***Born is the King of Is-rael***

### **Away in a Manger**

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;  
The stars in the bright sky, looked down where He lay;  
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby wakes.  
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes;  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,  
And stay by my cradle, till morning is nigh.



### **Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer**

Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,  
Had a very shiny nose,  
And if you ever saw it,  
You would even say it glows.  
All of the other reindeer,  
Used to laugh and call him names,  
They never let poor Rudolph,  
Join in any reindeer games.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say,  
"Rudolph with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"  
Then how the reindeer loved him,  
As they shouted out with glee,  
"Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,  
You'll go down in history."

### **Santa Claus Is Coming To Town**

You better watch out, you better not cry  
You better not pout; I'm telling you why  
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list, he's checkin' it twice  
He's gonna find out who's naughty and nice  
Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping  
He knows if you're awake  
He knows if you've been bad or good  
so be good for goodness sake

You better watch out, you better not cry  
You better not pout; I'm telling you why  
Santa Claus is coming to town

### **Carol of the Birds**

Out on the plains the brolgas are dancing  
Lifting their feet like war horses prancing  
Up to the sun the woodlarks go winging  
Faint in the dawn light echoes their singing  
***Orana! Orana! Orana to Christmas Day***

Down where the tree ferns grow by the river  
There where the waters sparkle and quiver  
Deep in the gullies bell-birds are chiming  
Softly and sweetly their lyric notes rhyming  
***Orana! Orana! Orana to Christmas Day***

Friar birds sip the nectar of flowers  
Currawongs chant in the wattle tree bowers  
In the blue ranges lorikeets calling  
Carols of bushbirds rising and falling  
***Orana! Orana! Orana to Christmas Day***

### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

The north wind is tossing the leaves.  
The red dust is over the town;  
The sparrows are under the eaves,  
And the grass in the paddock is brown  
As we lift up our voices and sing,  
To the Christ-child the heavenly King.

The tree ferns in green gullies sway;  
The cool stream flows silently by;  
The joy bells are greeting the day,  
And the chimes are adrift in the sky,  
As we lift up our voices and sing,  
To the Christ-child the heavenly King.

### **Silent Night**

Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
***Sleep in heavenly peace***

Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
***Christ, the Saviour is born***

Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
***Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth***

### **Joy To The World**

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;  
Let earth receive her King.  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
**And heav'n and nature sing,**

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns;  
Let all our songs employ.  
While fields and floods, rocks,  
hills and plains  
**Repeat the sounding joy,**

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
**And wonders of His love**

## Good King Wenceslas

ALL: Good King Wenceslas looked out, On the feast of Stephen  
When the snow lay round about, deep and crisp and even  
Brightly shown the moon that night, though the frost was cruel  
When a poor man came in sight, Gathering winter fuel

MEN: Hither, page, and stand by me, If thou know'st it, telling,  
Yonder peasant, who is he? Where and what his dwelling?

WOMEN: Sire, he lives a good league hence, underneath the mountain  
Right against the forest fence, By Saint Agnes' fountain

MEN: Bring me flesh, and bring me wine, Bring me pine logs hither:  
Thou and I will see him dine, when we bear them thither

ALL: Page and monarch, forth they went, forth they went together;  
Thro' the rude wind's wild lament, And the bitter weather.

WOMEN: Sire, the night is darker now, And the wind blows stronger;  
Fails my heart, I know not how, I can go no longer."

MEN: Mark my footsteps, good my page, tread thou in them boldly:  
Thou shalt find the winter's rage, Freeze thy blood less coldly

ALL: In his master's steps he trod, Where the snow lay dinted;  
Heat was in the very sod, Which the saint had printed.  
Therefore Christians all be sure, wealth or rank possessing,  
Ye who now will bless the poor, shall yourselves find blessing

## We Wish You a Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
And a Happy New Year.

***Good tidings we bring to you and your kin,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.***

Now bring us some figgy pudding,  
And a cup of good cheer.

We won't go until we get some  
So bring it out here!

We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
And a Happy New Year.

### **The Little Drummer Boy**

Come they told me  
A new born king to see,  
Our finest gifts we bring  
To lay before the King  
So to honour Him  
When we come.

Little Baby  
I am a poor boy too  
I have no gifts to bring  
That's fit to give our King  
Shall I play for you?  
On my drum?

Mary nodded  
The ox and lamb kept time  
I played my drum for Him  
I played my best for him.  
Then he smiled at me,  
Me and my drum

### **We Three Kings of Orient Are**

We three kings of Orient are;  
Bearing gifts, we travel afar,  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star. Oh\_\_

***Star of wonder, star of night,  
Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding  
Guide us to thy perfect light.***

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never  
Over us all to reign. Oh\_

### **I saw three ships**

I saw three ships come sailing in  
And what was in those ships all three,  
Our Saviour Christ and His lady,  
Pray whither sailed those ships all three,  
O they sailed into Bethlehem,  
And all the bells on earth shall ring,  
And all the angels in Heav'n shall sing,  
And all the souls on Earth shall sing,  
Then let us all rejoice amen,