

for Ella Short and Tenebrae Choir

Skye Boat Song

for Soprano and Tenor Solo and S.A.T.B.B. voices, a cappella

TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH
"Cuachag nan Craobh"

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Gently rowing (♩.=50-56)

SOLO

SOPRANO
Hey hoe row hoe, hey row hoe,

ALTO
Hey hoe row hoe, hey row hoe, _____

TENOR
Hey hoe row hoe, Hey hoe row hoe,

BASS 1
Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row hoe, _____

BASS 2
Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row hoe,

PIANO
(for rehearsal only)

Gently rowing (♩.=50-56)

* Hey (heɪ) hoe (həʊ) row (rəʊ) hoe (həʊ) hey (heɪ) row (rəʊ) hoe (həʊ)

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A Plenty of 'H' - bring early!
mp TENOR SOLO

Solo  Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the wing, 'On-ward!' the sail - ors

S  *p* Hey hoe row hoe, hey row

A  *p* Hey hoe row hoe, hey row

T  *p* Hey hoe row hoe, Hey hoe

B1  *p* Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

B2  *p* Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row



Solo  cry; Car - ry the lad that's born to be King o'er_ the sea to

S  hoe, hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

A  hoe, — hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

T  row hoe, Hey hoe row hoe! Hey row

B1  hoe, — hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

B2  hoe, hey hoe row hoe, Hey row



B
p SOLO SOPRANO

Solo 12
Skye. Speed bon-nie boat, Oh, Speed bon-nie boat,

S
to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

A
to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

T
to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

B1
to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

B2
Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

C
mf

Solo 15
Speed bon-nie boat, Oh, Speed bon-nie boat, Loud the winds howl,

S
Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, winds howl,

A
Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, winds howl,

T
Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Hey hoe

B1
Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, winds howl,

B2
Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, winds howl,

18 *f*

Solo loud the waves roar, Thun - der-clouds rend the air;

S waves roar, Thun - der-clouds rend the air;

A waves roar, Thun - der-clouds rend the air;

T row hoe, Hey hoe row hoe,

B1 waves roar, Thun - der-clouds rend the air; hoe,

B2 waves roar, Thun - der-clouds rend the air;

21

Solo Baffl - ed our foes, stand by the shore, Fol - low they will not dare, _____

S Stand by the shore, Fol - low they will not dare, _____

A Stand by the shore, They will not dare, _____

T Hey hoe row hoe, Hey hoe row hoe,

B1 Stand by the shore, They will not dare,

B2 Stand by the shore, They will not dare,

D *mf* TENOR SOLO

Solo *mf* Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the wing, 'On-ward' the sail - ors

S *mf* Hey hoe row hoe, Speed, bon - nie boat, like a

A *mf* Hey hoe row Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the

T *mf* Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the wing, sail - ors

B1 *mf* Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the wing,

B2 *mf* Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, sail - ors

D

28 *mf*

Solo cry; Car - ry the lad that's born to be King o'er the sea to

S *mf* bird on the wing, Hey hoe born to be King Hey row

A *mf* wing, Hey hoe born to be King Hey row

T *mf* cry; Hey hoe row hoe! Hey row

B1 *mf* bird on the wing, Hey hoe born to be King Hey row

B2 *mf* cry; Hey hoe born to be King Hey row

28

E *p* SOLO SOPRANO

Solo 32 Skye. Speed bon-nie boat, Oh, Speed bon-nie boat,

S to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

A to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

T to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

B1 to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

B2 Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

F *poco rit.* **F** *a tempo*

Solo 35 Speed bon-nie boat, Oh, Speed bon-nie boat, Though the waves leap,

S Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Oo,

A Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Oo,

T Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Oo, *p (didgeridoo!)*

B1 Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Oo, *p (didgeridoo!)*

B2 Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Oo, *p (didgeridoo!)*

38

Solo soft shall ye sleep, Oc - ean's a Roy - al bed. Rock'd in the deep,

S *mp* Rock'd in

A *mp* Rock'd in

T *mp* Hey hoe

B1 *mp* Rock'd in

B2 *mp* Rock'd in

42

Solo Flo - ra will keep watch by your wear - y head, _____

S the deep, watch by your wear - y head, _____

A the deep, watch by your wear - y head, _____

T row hoe, Hey hoe row hoe,

B1 the deep, watch by your wear - y head, _____

B2 the deep, watch by your wear - y head,

G TENOR SOLO

Solo Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the wing, 'On-ward!' the sail - ors

S Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

A Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

T Hey hoe row hoe, Hey hoe

B1 Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

B2 Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

48

Solo cry; Car - ry the lad that's born to be King o'er the sea to

S hoe, Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

A hoe, Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

T row hoe, Hey hoe row hoe! Hey row

B1 hoe, Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

B2 hoe, Hey hoe row hoe, Hey row

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H

p SOLO SOPRANO

Solo 52 Skye. Speed bon-nie boat, Oh, Speed bon-nie boat,

S to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

A to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

T to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

B1 to Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

B2 Skye, Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

I Darker

mf TENOR SOLO

Solo 55 Speed bon-nie boat, Oh, Speed bon-nie boat, Man - y's a lad

S Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat,

A Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Man - y's a lad

T Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Man - y's a lad

B1 Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Man - y's a lad

B2 Bon - nie boat, Bon - nie boat, Man - y's a lad

I Darker