

Skye Boat Song

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Traditional

Chorus

Violin Melody

Violin Harmony

Speed, bon-nie boat, like a bird on the wing, "On - ward," the

6 Em D G Em

sai - lors cry. Car - ry the lad that's

11 D G Em G

born to be King, O - ver the sea to Skye.

Verse

17 Em Am Em

Loud the winds howl, loud the waves roar, Thun - der claps rend the air;

25 Em Am Em

Baf - fled our foes stand on the shore, Fol - low they will not dare.

The musical score is written for violin in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of a Chorus and a Verse. The Chorus (measures 1-11) has a melody that is mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some dotted notes. The harmony is simple, often using single notes or dyads. The Verse (measures 17-25) features a more active melody with eighth and sixteenth notes, and a harmony that includes some chords like Am and Em. The lyrics are written below the melody line, and guitar chords are indicated above the staff.