

Key: Any

Genre: Folk

Harp Type: Diatonic

Skill: Beginner

## House Carpenter(Child 243)

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

"Well met, well met," said an old true love,

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

"Well met, well met," said he.

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4

"I've just returned from the salt, salt sea,

5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

And it's all for the l-ove of thee."

-6 -6 6 7 -7-6 -5 5 -4

"Come in, come in, m-y own true love,

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

And have a sit with me.


-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4

It's been three-fourths of near ten, long years

5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

S-ince together w-e have been."

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"I can't come in and I can't sit down,

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

I've but a moment's time.

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4

They say you've married a house carpenter,

5 5 -4 -5-6 6 5 4 -4

And your heart w-ill nev-er be mine."

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

"I could have wed the king's daughter fair,

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

she would have married me.

-55 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4

But I have forsaken her crowns of gold,

5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

And it's all for the l-ove of thee."

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

"Will you forsake your house carpenter

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

And go along with me?

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4


I'll take you to where there's a land so fair

5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

on the banks of the d-eep blue sea."

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

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She held her child, her own precious babe

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

And kisses gave it three.

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4

Saying, "Stay right here, my darling little babe,

5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

A-nd keep your Pa c-om-pan-y."

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

They had not been on the ship two weeks,

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

I'm sure it was not three,

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 5 4

'Til his true love began to weep and mourn,

5 5 -4 -5-6 6 5 4 -4

And she wept m-ost b-it-ter-ly.

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

"She would not hear of the land so fair

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

The life she had in store

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4

Sh-e mourned for her babe and house carpenter,


5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

Whose faces she'd s-ee no more"

-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6 -5 5 -4

They had not been on the sea three weeks,

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-6 -6 6 7 -7 -6

I'm sure it was not four,

-5 5 -4 -4 -6 -6 -6 6 6 5 4


Th-ere came a leak in the hold of the ship,

5 5 -4 -5 -6 6 5 4 -4

And it sunk for to r-ise no more.

## Lyrics

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