

# Drive the Cold Winter Away

Tuning: D-F#-A  
Merrily

Traditional English Ballad, ca 1650  
melody: "Drive the Cold Winter Away"  
or "When Phoebus Did Rest"

The musical score is presented in a system of four systems, each with a treble clef staff, a guitar tablature staff, and a line of lyrics. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are arranged in four columns, with some words spanning across lines. The guitar tablature includes fret numbers and bar lines. The systems are numbered 1, 4, 6, and 8 at the beginning of each system.

**System 1:** Chords: Bm, D, Bm. Lyrics: 1. All hail to the days that mer - it more praise Than; 2. To mask and to mum, kind neigh - bours will come With; 3. Thus none will al - low of sol - i - tude now But; 4. This time of the year is spent in good cheer, Kind

**System 2:** Chords: Em, F#. Lyrics: all the rest of the year! And; wassails of nut - - brown ale, To; merri - - ly greet the time, To; neighbours to - geth - er do meet To

**System 3:** Chords: Bm, D, Bm. Lyrics: wel - come the nights that dou - ble de - lights As; drink and ca - rouse with all - ble in the house As; make it ap - pear of all the whole year That; sit by the fire with friend - ly de - sire Each

**System 4:** Chords: Em, F#. Lyrics: well for the poor as the peer! Good; merry as bucks in the dale; Where; this is ac - count - ed the prime; De -; other in love to greet; Old

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10 D Em

for - tune at - tend each mer - ry man's friend That  
*cake, bread and cheese are bought for your fees To*  
cem - ber is seen ap - pa - rel'd in green, And  
*grudg - es, for - got, are put in the pot, All*

12 Bm Bm

doth but the best that he may, \_\_\_\_\_ For -  
*make you the long - er stay: \_\_\_\_\_ The*  
Jan - u' - ry fresh as May \_\_\_\_\_ Comes  
sor - rows a - side they lay: \_\_\_\_\_ The

14 D Em

get - ting old wrongs with car - ols and songs To  
*fire \_\_\_\_\_ to warm, will do you no harm, To*  
danc - ing a - long with a cup and a song To  
old and the young doth car - ol this song To

16 Bm F# Bm

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