

Manannan Song

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Adagio

System 1: Chords: D, D(ma7), Bm, F#m. Lyrics: C'raad ta'n Ree? T'eh er jeet veih Flaun-ys,

System 2: Chords: Bm, F#m, G, A, D, D(ma7). Lyrics: Harr-ish y cheayn dys Mull - agh Varr-ool, C'raad ta'n Ree? T'eh er

System 3: Chords: Bm, F#m, G, D, Em, A, D. Lyrics: jeet veih Flaun - ys, Harr-ish y cheayn dys Mull - agh Varr-ool,

1. C'raad ta'n Ree?
T'eh er jeet veih Flaunys.
Harrish y cheayn dys
Mullagh Varrool.
(Reesht - Repeat)
2. C'red t'eh jannoo?
T'eh jeeaghyn my heear,
Soie fo chay er
Mullagh Varrool.
(Reesht - Repeat)
3. Quoi ta'n Ree?
Ta'n Ree Manannan,
Ta cashtal echey er
Mullagh Varrool.
(Reesht - Repeat)

This song tells of the King, Mannanan Mac y Lir, who is a mythological figure whose fortress was on the summit of South Barrule.

Performance

This can be sung by two groups, one to ask the question, the other to reply. Contrast the two short questions in bars 1 and 2 with the smooth 2-bar reply. All the phrases are wave-shaped. Are they all the same height? Use chime bars to play this accompaniment.