

The Kerry Dance

from
Ireland, a Little bit of Heaven

for S.A.T.B. a cappella

Original Music and Text by
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This piece was commissioned by the Tenjo-Hanabi Chorus

Soprano *mp* *mf*
Tu lu lu lu lan lan Oh, the days of the Ker - ry danc - ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune;

Alto *mp* *mf*
Tu lu lu lu lan lan Oh, the days of the Ker - ry danc - ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune;

Tenor *mp* *mf*
Tu lu lu lu lan lan Oh, the days of the Ker - ry danc - ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune;

Bass *mp* *mf*
Tu lu lu lu Oh, the days of the Ker - ry danc - ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune;

S *mp*
Oh, for one of those hours of glad-ness sparkling like the sham-rock green. Ah!

A *mp*
Oh, for one of those hours of glad-ness sparkling like the sham-rock Tu lu lu lu spark-ling like Tu lu lu the sham-rock green.

T *mp*
Oh, for one of those hours of glad-ness sparkling like the sham-rock Tu lu lu lu spark-ling like Tu lu lu the sham rock green.

B *mp*
Oh, for one of those hours of glad-ness sparkling like the sham-rock Tu lu lu lu spark-ling like Tu lu lu the sham-rock green.

S *mp* *p*
When the boys be - gin to ga - ther in the glen of a sum - mer's night, lu lu lu lu

A *mp* *p*
When the boys be - gin to ge - ther in the glen of a sum - mer's night, lu lu lu lu

T *mp* *mp*
When the boys be - gin to ge - ther in the glen of a sum - mer's night, And the Ker - ry pi - per's tun - ing

B *mp* *mp*
When the boys be - gin to ge - ther in the glen of a sum - mer's night, And the Ker - ry pi - per's tun - ing

18 *mp* *mf*

S make us long with wild de-light! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with

A make us long with wild de-light! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with

T 8 makes us long with wild de-light! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with

B makes us long with wild de-light! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with

24 *p* *mf*

S Tu lu lu lan lan lan Oo... Tu lu lu lan lan lan Oo... one of those

A Tu lu lu lan lan lan Oo... Oh, the one of those

T 8 Oh the day of the Ker - ry danc - ing Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune; Oh, the one of those

B Oh the day of the Ker - ry danc - ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune; Oh, the one of those

29 *mp*

S hours - ness shin - ing like a cre - sent moon. Lads

A hours shin - ing like a cre - sent Tu lu lu lu shin - ing like Tu lu lu a cre - sent moon.

T 8 hours - ness shin - ing like a cre - sent Tu lu lu lu shin - ing like Tu lu lu a cre - sent moon.

B hours - ness shin - ing like a cre - sent Tu lu lu lu shin - ing like Tu lu lu a cre - sent moon.

33 *mp* *p*

S and las - ses to your pla - ces up the mid - dle and down a - gain. Ah, the mer ry he augh - ter

A *p* *p*
Lads and las - ses to your places up the mid - dle and down a - gain. Ah, the mer ry he augh - ter

T *p* *mf*
8 Lads and las - ses to your places up the mid - dle and down a - gain. the mer ry heart gh - ter

B *p*
Lads and las - ses to your places up the mid - dle and down a - gain. Ah, the mer ry heart gh - ter

39 *mf* *mf* *p* <

S Ring - ing through the hap - py gleam! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with joy. —

A *mf* *p* <
Ring - ing through the hap - py gleam! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with mm...

T *mf* *p* <
8 Ring - ing through the hap - py gleam! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with mm...

B *mf* *p* <
Ring - ing through the hap - py gleam! Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with mm...

45 *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp*

S time goes on, and the hap - py years are to end. And one by one the mer - ry —

A *mp*
But time goes on, and the hap - py years are to end. And one by one the mer - ry

T *mp* *mp*
8 But time goes on, and the hap - py years are to end. And one by one the mer - ry

B *mp*
But time goes on, and the hap - py years are to end. And one by one the mer - ry

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S hearts are to go. The bright glad laugh may e-cho ne-ver a ga . Oh,

A hearts are to go. The bright glad laugh may e-cho ne-ver a gai

T hearts are to go. The bright glad laugh may e-cho ne n. Oh,

B hearts are to go. The bright glad laugh may e - cho ne n.

58 *mf*

S — to think of it; Oh, to dream of it, fills my heart with tears! But for now! Oh, the days of the

A Oh, to think of it; dream of it, fills my heart with tears! But for now! Oh, the days of the

T — to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with tears! But for now! Oh, the days of the

B Oh, to think of it; Oh, to dream of it; fills my heart with tears! But for now! Oh, the days of the

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S Ker -ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune; Oh, for one of those hours of glad - ness

A Ker -ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune; Oh, for one of those hours of glad - ness

T Ker -ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune; Oh, for one of those hours of glad - ness

B Ker -ing; Oh, the ring of the pi - per's tune; Oh, for one of those hours of glad - ness

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S go - ing like our youth too soon! Tu la la la go-ing like our youth. Go - i our

A go - ing like our youth too soon! Tu la la la go-ing like our youth Go - i our

T 8 go - ing like our youth too soon! Ah, go - ing like our youth too soon! Go - i our

B go - ing like our youth too soon! Ah, go - ing our youth too soon! Go - i our

p *f* *p* *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *f*

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S youth too, like our youth soon. Too soon! Gone!

A youth too Tu la la go-ing like Tu la la like our youth too soon! Gone!

T 8 youth too Tu la la la go-ing Tu la la like our youth too soon! Gone!

B youth too Tu la la la go-ing Tu la la la like our youth too soon! Gone!

fp *f* *fp* *f* *fp* *f* *f*

Oh, the days of the Kerry dancing; oh, the ring of the piper's tune;
oh, for one of those hours of gladness sparkling like the shamrock gree.

When the boys begin to gather in the glen of a summer's night, and the Kerry piper's tuning Makes us long with wild delight!
Oh, to think of it; oh, to dream of it, fills my heart with joy!

Oh, the days of the Kerry dancing; oh, the ring of the piper's tune;
oh, for one of those hours of gladness shining like a crescent moon.

Lads and lasses in the middle and down again. Ah, the merry hearted laughter ringing through the happy glen!
Oh, to think of it; oh, to dream of it, fills my heart with joy!

But time goes on, and the happy years are to end, and one by one the merry hearts are to go.
The bright glad laugh may echo never again.
Oh, to think of it; oh, to dream of it, fills my heart with tears!

But for now... Oh, the days of the Kerry dancing; oh, the ring of the piper's tune;
oh, for one of those hours of gladness going like our youth too soon!Gone!

**The Kerry Dance is an Irish long dance. It was a dance for couples, and was popular with nobles and their ladies.*