Cockles and Mussels

Traditional Irish Folk Song

¾ time

C    A\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)    C    C

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C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

In Dublin’s fair city where the girls are so pretty,

C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{7}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

‘twas there that I first met sweet Molly Malone.

C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

She wheeled her wheel-barrow through streets broad and narrow,

C    A\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)    C

crying, “Cockles and mussels, a-live, alive-o!

C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

“A-live, alive-o! A-live, alive-o!”

C    A\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)    C    C    G\(\text{7}\)    C

Crying, “Cockles and mussels, a-live, alive-o!”

C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

She was a fishmonger, but sure ‘twas no wonder,

C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{7}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

For so were her father and mother be-fore,

C    A\(\text{m}\)    D\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)

And they each wheeled their barrow, through streets broad and narrow,

C    A\(\text{m}\)    G\(\text{7}\)    C

crying, “Cockles and mussels, a-live, alive-o!”
C  A\textsuperscript{m}  D\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}

“A-live, alive-o! A-live, alive-o!”

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}  C  C  G\textsuperscript{7}  C

Crying, “Cockles and mussels, a-live, alive-o!”

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  D\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}

She died of a fever, and no one could save her.

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  D\textsuperscript{7}  G\textsuperscript{7}

And that was the end of sweet Molly Malone,

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  D\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}

But her ghost wheels her barrow through streets broad and narrow,

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}  C

Crying, "Cockles and mussels, a-live, alive-o!"

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  D\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}

Alive, alive-o! A-live, alive-o!”

C  A\textsuperscript{m}  G\textsuperscript{7}  C

Crying “Cockles and mussels, a-live, alive-o!"