

The background of this song is a mystery -- no information about its origin or title can be located! I like to think of it as a love song written by a devoted husband for his wife of many years who has become even more beautiful with the passage of time. I've arranged this in a fingerpicking style -- take your time with it -- play it with a gentle touch and relaxed tempo.

# December Is Fairer Than May 44

Traditional Manx

Arr. Carol Walker

Musical notation for measures 1-4. Chord: D.

Musical notation for measures 5-8. Chords: A7, D.

Musical notation for measures 9-12. Chords: Bm, F#m, Bm, F#m.

Musical notation for measures 13-16. Chords: Em, A, D, Em.

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17 A G Em A D

4 4 3 3 1 1 0 0 0 0  
 0 0 0 1 2 3 3 2 1 0 0 0 0 0  
 4 5 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

21 Em G A D

1 3 4 0 0 0 2  
 1 1 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 1 2 3 2 1 0 0 2 1 0 0 2 2 2 3

25 A D A

4 4 7 7 6+ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1  
 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 4 3 4 5 0 0 0 0  
 4 7 6+ 8 7 6+ 5 4 3 2 3 4 3 2 1 0

29 D

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 0 0 1 2 2 3 4 7 6+ 8 7 6+ 5

33 A D

*slower...*

0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 4 3 2 4 3 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 2