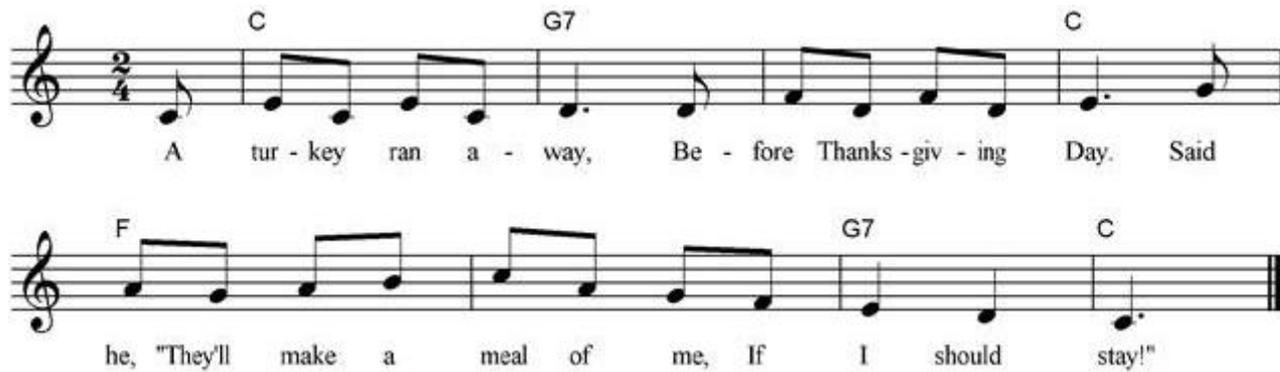


A turkey ran away

This Appalachian Thanksgiving song (which possibly has Danish origins) can easily be adapted for the Christmas season; just make up new verses to include seasonal foods. Verses 4&5 are by Derek Pearson. Last verse added by Dany Rosevear.

Roll arms or walk round on the spot each time 'rolled' is sung. Jump up for 'potato'. Flap elbows for each 'gobble'.



The image shows two staves of musical notation in 2/4 time. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is: A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (quarter). Chords are indicated above the staff: C (above A), C (above G), G7 (above F), G7 (above E), C (above D), C (above A). The lyrics are: "A tur - key ran a - way, Be - fore Thanks - giv - ing Day. Said he, "They'll make a meal of me, If I should stay!"

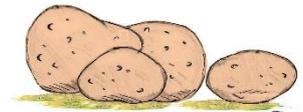
A turkey ran away,
Before Thanksgiving Day.
Said he, "They'll make a meal of me,
If I should stay!"



A pumpkin rolled away,
Before Thanksgiving Day.
Said she "They'll make a pie of me,
If I should stay!"

A cranberry rolled away,
Before Thanksgiving Day.
Said he, "They'll make a meal of me,
If I should stay!"

A nice potato too,
Jumped from the ground and flew.
Said she "They'll roast me through and through,
If I should stay!"



And then a brussel sprout
Said "Now I must get out,
I'm sure they'll boil my life away
If I should stay!"

A turkey ran away,
Before Thanksgiving Day.
Crying, "Gobble gobble, gobble, gobble,
Gobble gobble, gobble!"
Yes, "Gobble gobble, gobble, gobble,
I'm off and away!"