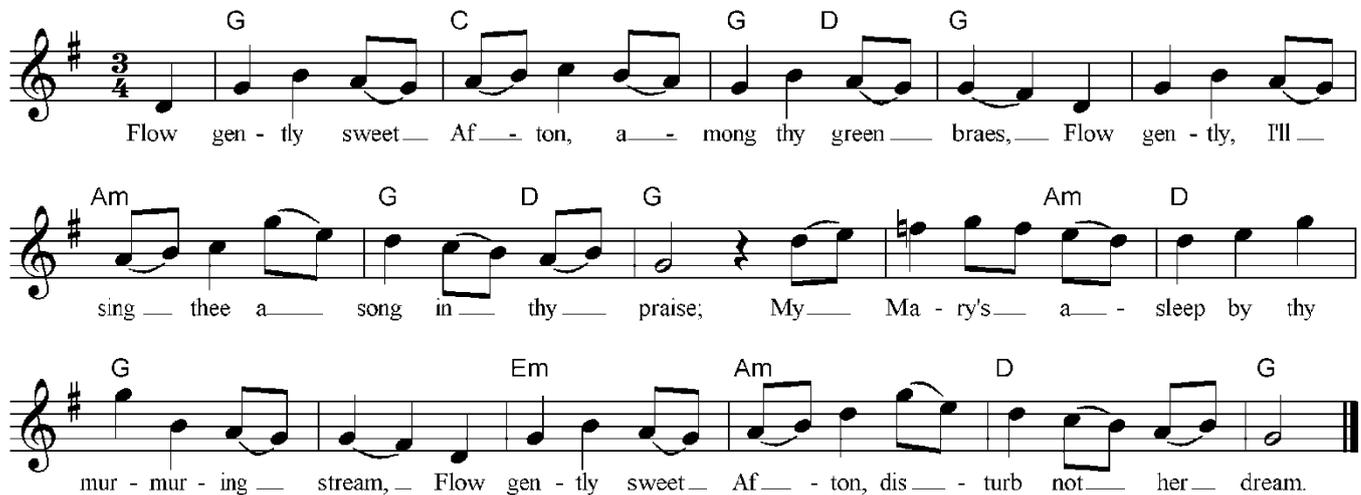


Afton Water

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A Scottish air and pastoral lullaby by Robert Burns in 1786 which he set to a different tune. Afton Water is a small river in Ayrshire.

Find in *Singing Together, Summer 1951 BBC Publications* and the full version of the poem here: [Afton Water / The Poetry Foundation](#).



Musical score for the song "Afton Water" in G major, 3/4 time. The score consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Flow gen - tly sweet Af - ton, a - mong thy green braes, Flow gen - tly, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise; My Ma - ry's a - sleep by thy mur - mur - ing stream, Flow gen - tly sweet Af - ton, dis - turb not her dream." The chords indicated above the notes are G, C, G, D, G, Am, G, D, G, Am, D, G, Em, Am, D, G.



Flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green braes,
Flow gently, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise;
My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream,
Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her dream.

Thou stock-dove, whose echo resounds thro' the glen,
Ye wild whistling blackbirds in yon thorny den,
Thou green-crested lapwing, thy screaming forbear,
I charge you disturb not my slumbering fair.

How pleasant thy banks and green valleys below,
Where wild in the woodlands the primroses blow;
There oft, as mild ev'ning sweeps over the lea,
The sweet-scented birk shades my Mary and me.