

# Across the Western Ocean

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*An Irish sea shanty. A song telling of emigrants fleeing hunger and crop failure to seek a new life and their fortune in America.*

**CAPO 3rd fret G**

Oh, the times are hard and the wa - ges low, A - me - lia where you  
bound to? The Rock - y Moun - tains are my home, A - cross the West - ern  
O - cean. A - cross the West - ern O - cean. A - cross the West - ern  
O - cean. (The Rock - y Moun - tains are my home.) A - cross the West - ern O - cean.

**Chorus**

**Add 3rd line of each verse**



Oh the times are hard and the wages low,  
Amelia, where you bound to?

The Rocky Mountains are my home,  
Across the Western Ocean.

*Chorus: Across the Western Ocean.*

*Across the Western Ocean.*

*The Rocky Mountains are my home,  
Across the Western Ocean.*

We are going away from friends and home,  
Amelia, where you bound to?  
We're going away to search for gold,  
Across the Western Ocean...



It's a land of plenty there you'll see  
Amelia, where you bound to?  
I'm off across the Western Sea,  
Across the Western Ocean...



If I had the wings of Noah's dove,  
Amelia, where you bound to?  
I'd fly back home to the one I love.  
Across the Western Ocean...