

# Curoo, curoo / Carol of the birds

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*This beautiful song comes from an 18th century traditional Irish Christmas text. I first came across it sung in 6/8 time but much preferred this gentle tender version in waltz timing that I heard the Clancy Brothers sing.*



Full many a bird did wake and fly,  
Curoo, curoo, curoo,  
Full many a bird did wake and fly,  
To the manger bed with a wondering cry,  
*Refrain: On Christmas Day in the morning,*  
*Curoo, curoo, curoo. Curoo, curoo, curoo.*



The lark, the dove and the red bird came,  
Curoo, curoo, curoo,  
The lark, the dove and the red bird came,  
And they did sing in sweet Jesus' name, *Refrain*



The owl was there with eyes so wide,  
Curoo, curoo, curoo,  
The owl was there with eyes so wide,  
And he did sit at sweet Mary's side, *Refrain*

The shepherds knelt upon the hay,  
Curoo, curoo, curoo,  
The shepherds knelt upon the hay,  
And angels sang the night away, *Refrain*

