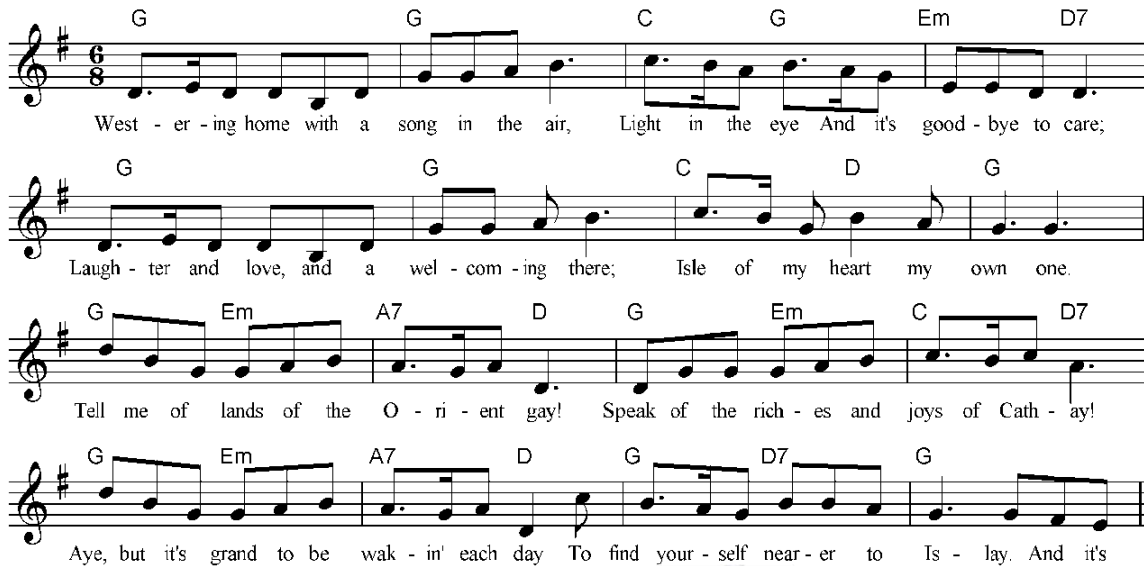


Westering home

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A welcoming folk song from Scotland written by Hugh S. Robertson in the early 1920s to celebrate his longing for the Scottish island of Islay. Sung to a traditional folk melody. It featured in BBC Schools Singing Together Summer 1974 and is fondly remembered by many of the older generation.



West - er - ing home with a song in the air, Light in the eye And it's good - bye to care;
Laugh - ter and love, and a wel - com - ing there; Isle of my heart my own one.
Tell me of lands of the O - ri - ent gay! Speak of the rich - es and joys of Cath - ay!
Aye, but it's grand to be wak - in' each day To find your - self near - er to Is - lay. And it's



*Chorus: Westering home, and a song in the air,
Light in the eye and it's goodbye to care.
Laughter and love, and a welcoming there;
Isle of my heart, my own one.*

Tell me o' lands o' the Orient gay,
Speak o' the riches and joys o' Cathay;
Aye, but it's grand to be wakin' each day
To find yourself nearer to Islay. *Chorus: And it's...*

Where are the folk like the folk o' the west?
Canty, and couthy, and kindly, the best.
There I would hie me and there I would rest
At hame wi' my ain folk in Isla. *Chorus: And it's...*