

Australia Day Songs (Chords)

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1. Advance Australia Fair

G
Australians all, let us rejoice
Am D
for we are one and free
G
We've golden soil
G
and wealth for toil,
Am D
our home is girt by sea
C G
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
C Em D
of beauty rich and rare
C G C
In history's page let every stage
G D G
Advance Australia fair
C Am D
in joyful strains and let us sing
G D G
Advance Australia fair

2. Click Go the Shears

A D
1. Out on the board the old shearer stands,
A B7 E
Grasping his shears in his thin, bony hands,
A D
Fixed is his gaze on a bare-bellied "Joe,"
E A A
Glory if he gets her, won't he make the "ringer" go.

E **A**

Chorus: Click go the shears boys, click, click, click,

D **A** **E**

Wide is his blow and his hands move quick,

A **D**

The ringer looks around and is beaten by a blow,

E **A** **D** **A**

And curses the old snagger with the blue-bellied "Joe."

A **D**

2. In the middle of the floor, in his cane-bottomed chair

A **B7** **E**

Sits the boss of the board, with eyes everywhere;

A **D**

Notes well each fleece as it comes to the screen

E **A** **D** **A**

Paying strict attention that it's taken off clean.

A **D**

3. The tar-boy is there, awaiting in demand,

A **B7**

With his blackened tar-pot in his tarry hand;

A **D**

Sees one old sheep with a cut upon its back,

E **A** **D** **A**

This is what he's waiting for, "Tar here, Jack!"

Chorus

A **D**

4. Shearing is all over, we've all got our cheques,

A **B7** **E**

Roll up your swag boys we're off on the tracks;

A **D**

The first pub we come to, it's there we'll have a spree,

E **A** **D** **A**

And everyone that comes along, it's "Come and drink with me!"

Chorus

3. Home Among the Gumtrees

G **Em** **Am** **D7**

1. I've been around the world a couple of times or maybe more.

Am **D7** **G** **D7**

I've seen the sights, I've had delights, on every foreign shore,

G **Em** **Am** **D7**

But when my mates all ask me, the place that I adore,

Am **D7** **G**

I tell them right away.

G Em Am D7 Am D7
Chorus: Give me a home among the gumtrees, with lots of plum trees.

G D7 G Em
A sheep or two, and a kangaroo, a clothesline out the back,

Am D7 Am D7 G
Verandah out the front and an old rocking chair.

G Em Am D7
2. You can see me in the kitchen cooking up a roast,

Am D7 G D7
Or Vegemite on toast, just you and me, a cup of tea.

G Em Am D7
And later on, we'll settle down and go out on the porch,

Am D7 G
And watch the possums play.

G Em Am D7 Am D7
Chorus: Give me a home among the gumtrees, with lots of plum trees.

G D7 G Em
A sheep or two, and a kangaroo, a clothesline out the back,

Am D7 Am D7 G
Verandah out the front and an old rocking chair.

C G
3. There's a Safeway up the corner and a Woolies down the street,
D7 G G7
And a brand new place they've opened up, where they regulate the heat.

C G
But I'd trade them all tomorrow for a little bush retreat,
A7 D7
Where the kookaburras call.

G Em Am D7 Am D7
Chorus: Give me a home among the gumtrees, with lots of plum trees.

G D7 G Em
A sheep or two, and a kangaroo, a clothesline out the back,

Am D7 Am D7 G
Verandah out the front and an old rocking chair.

G Em Am D7
4. Some people like their houses with fences all around.

Am D7 G D7
Others live in mansions and some beneath the ground.

G Em Am D7
But me I like the bush you know with rabbits running round.

Am D7 G
And a pumpkin vine out back.

G Em Am D7 Am D7

Chorus: Give me a home among the gumtrees, with lots of plum trees.

G D7 G Em

A sheep or two, and a kangaroo, a clothesline out the back,

Am D7 Am D7 G

Verandah out the front and an old rocking chair.

4. I Am Australian

C F G C

1. I came from the dream-time, from the dusty red-soil plains.

Am F G C

I am the ancient heart, the keeper of the flame.

F G Am

I stood upon the rocky shore, I watched the tall ships come.

C Dm F G C

For forty thousand years I've been the first Australian.

(Men)

C F G C

2. I came upon the prison ship bowed down by iron chains.

Am F G C

I cleared the land, endured the lash and waited for the rains.

F G Am

I'm a settler, I'm a farmer's wife on a dry and barren run.

C Dm F G C

A convict, then a free man, I became Australian.

(Ladies)

C F G C

3. I'm the daughter of a digger, who sought the mother lode.

Am F G C

The girl became a woman on the long and dusty road.

F G Am

I'm a child of the Depression, I saw the good times come.

C Dm F G C

I'm a bushie, I'm a battler, I am Australian.

Chorus All:

C F C

We are one, but we are many,

Am G C

And from all the lands on earth we come.

F C

We share a dream and sing with one voice,

F G Am G F G C

"I am, you are, we are Australian."

(Men)

C F G C

4. I'm a teller of stories, I'm a singer of songs.

Am F G C

I am Albert Namatjira and I paint the ghostly gums.

F G C

I'm Clancy on his horse, I'm Ned Kelly on the run.

C Dm F G C

I'm the one who waltzed Matilda. I am Australian.

(Ladies)

C F G C

5. I'm the hot wind from the desert, I'm the black soil of the plains.

Am F G C

I'm the mountains and the valleys, I'm the drought and flooding rains.

F G C

I am the rock, I am the sky, the rivers when they run.

C Dm F G C

The spirit of this great land, I am Australian.

Chorus All:

C F C

We are one, but we are many,

Am G C

And from all the lands on earth we come.

F C

We share a dream and sing with one voice,

F G Am G F G C

"I am, you are, we are Australian."

F G Am G F G C

"I am, you are, we are Australian."

5. Along the Road to Gundagai

F C Bb F

There's a track winding back on an old-fashioned shack

Gm C7 F

Along the road to Gundagai.

Bb Gm

Where the blue gums are growing

F Dm

And the Murrumbidgee's flowing

G7 C C7

Beneath the sunny sky.

F Bb

Where my daddy and mother are waiting for me

F Gm C7

And the pals of my childhood once more I will see.

F C

Then no more will I roam,

Bb F

When I'm heading right for home

Gm C7 F

Along the road to Gundagai.

F C Bb F

There's an old-fashioned Ford made of rubber tin and board

Gm C F

Along the road to Gundagai.

Bb Gm F Dm
 Well the radiator's hissing, and half the engine's missing,
G7 C
 The fuel tank's running dry

F Bb
 Well there's water in the petrol and sand in the gears,
F Gm C7
 And she hasn't seen a garage for more than forty years.
F C Bb F
 Oh my gosh, hear her roar when the pedal hits the floor
Gm C7 F
 Along the road to Gundagai.

(Slowly)

F C Bb F
 There's a track winding back on an old-fashioned shack
Gm C7 F
 Along the road to Gundagai.

6. I'll Never Find Another You

C Em F D7 G7
 There's a new world somewhere, they call the promised land
C Am F G7
 And I'll be there someday, if you could hold my hand.
Am F G7 F G7
 I still need you there beside me, no matter what I do,
C Em F G7 C
 For I know I'll never find another you.

Em F D7 G7
 There is always someone for each of us, they say.
C Am F G7
 And you'll be my someone forever and a day.
Am F G7 F G7
 I could search the whole world over until my life is through,
C Em F G7 C
 But I know I'll never find another you.

Em F G7 C
 It's a long, long journey, so stay by my side
Em F G7
 When I walk through the storm, you'll be my guide, be my guide.
C Em F D7 G7
 If they gave me a fortune, my pleasure would be small.
C Em F G7
 I could lose it all tomorrow, and never mind at all.

Am F G7 F G7
 But if I should lose your love dear, I don't know what I'd do,
C F G7 C
 For I know I'll never find another you.

Am **F** **G7** **F** **G7**
 But if I should lose your love dear, I don't know what I'd do,
C **F** **G7** **C**
 For I know I'll never find another you.

7. The Carnival is Over

A7 **D** **A7** **D** **D7**
 Say goodbye, my own true lover, as we sing a lovers' song
G **D** **Bm** **G** **A7**
 How it breaks my heart to leave you, now the carnival is gone

D **A7** **D** **D7**
 High above the dawn is waking, and my tears are falling rain
G **D** **Bm** **G** **A7** **D** **D7**
 For the carnival is over, we may never meet again

G **A7** **D** **Bm** **G** **A7** **D7**
 Like a drum, my heart was beating, and your kiss was sweet as wine
G **A7** **Bm** **G** **C** **A7**
 But the joys of love are fleeting, for Pierrot and Columbine

D **A7** **D** **D7**
 Now the harbour light is calling, this will be our last goodbye
G **D** **Bm** **G** **A7** **D** **D7**
 Though the carnival is over, I will love you 'til I die

G **A7** **D** **Bm** **G** **A7** **D7**
 Like a drum, my heart was beating, and your kiss was sweet as wine
G **A7** **Bm** **G** **C** **A7**
 But the joys of love are fleeting, for Pierrot and Columbine

D **A7** **D** **D7**
 Now the harbour light is calling, this will be our last goodbye
G **D** **Bm** **G** **A7** **D** **D7**
 Though the carnival is over, I will love you 'til I die
G **D** **Bm** **G** **A7** **D** **A7** **D**
 Though the carnival is over, I will love you 'til I die

8. Once a Jolly Swagman

C **E7** **Am** **F**
 1. Once a jolly swagman camped by a billabong,
C **G7**
 Under the shade of a coolibah tree
C **E7** **Am** **F**
 And he sang as he watched and waited 'til his billy boiled
C **Am** **G7** **C**
 You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda, with me.

Chorus:

C **F**
Waltzing Matilda, Waltzing Matilda
C **Am** **Dm** **G**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda with me
C **E7** **Am** **F**
And he sang as he watched and waited 'til his billy boiled,
C **G7** **C**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda, with me.

C **E7** **Am** **F**
2. Down came a jumbuck to drink at the billabong,
C **G7**
Up jumped the swagman and grabbed him with glee,
C **E7** **Am** **F**
And he sang as he shoved that jumbuck in his tucker bag,
C **Am** **G7** **C**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda, with me.

Chorus:

C **E7** **Am** **F**
3. Down came the squatter, mounted on his thoroughbred,
C **G7**
Up rode the troopers, one, two, three,
C **E7** **Am** **F**
Where's the jolly jumbuck you've got in your tucker bag?
C **Am** **G7** **C**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda, with me.

Chorus:

C **E7** **Am** **F**
4: Up jumped the swagman and sprang into the billabong,
C **G7**
You'll never take me alive, said he,
C **E7** **Am** **F**
And his ghost may be heard as you pass by that billabong,
C **Am** **G7** **C**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda, with me.

Final Chorus:

C **F**
Waltzing Matilda, Waltzing Matilda
C **Am** **Dm** **G**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda with me
C **E7** **Am** **F**
And his ghost may be heard as you pass by that billabong,
C **G7** **C**
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda, with me.

9. I Still Call Australia Home

(Guitar Capo 1st Fret)

C **E7** **Am** **C**
I've been to cities that never close down
F **C** **D7** **G**
From New York to Rio and old London town
C **E7** **Am** **F**
But no matter how far or how wide I roam
C **G** **C**
I still call Australia home.

C **E7** **Am** **C**
I'm always traveling, I love being free
F **C** **D7** **G**
And so I keep leaving the sun and the sea
C **E7** **Am** **F**
But my heart lies waiting over the foam
C **G** **C**
I still call Australia home.

Em **B7** **Em** **B7**
All the sons and daughters spinning 'round the world
Em **C** **G**
Away from their family and friends
Em **B7** **Em**
But as the world gets older and colder
F **G**
It's good to know where your journey ends.

C **E7** **Am** **C**
Someday we'll all be together once more
F **C** **D7** **G**
When all of the ships come back to the shore
C **E7** **Am** **F**
Then I'll realize something I've always known
C **G** **C**
I still call Australia home.

C **E7** **Am** **F**
No matter how far or how wide I roam
C **G**
I still call Australia...
C **G**
I still call Australia...
C **G** **F** **C**
I still call Australia home.