

Mairi's Wedding (G)

Also known as "Marie's Wedding" and "The Lewis Bridal Song"

Words: John Bannerman in honor of Scottish singer Mary C MacNiven (1934)

Loose translation from Gaelic by Sir Hugh Robertson (1936)

Tune: Scottish Traditional collected by Dr. Peter A. MacLeod

[Mairi's Wedding](#) by The Irish Rovers – [Marie's Wedding](#) by The Clancy Brothers

Arrangement by Theresa Miller

Chorus

G **C** **D7**
Step we gaily, on we go, heel for heel, and toe for toe,
G **C** **D**
Arm in arm and row on row, all for Mairi's wedding.

G **C** **D7**
Over hillways up and down, myrtle green and bracken brown,
G **C** **D**
Past the sheilings through the town, all for sake of Mairi. **Chorus**

G **C** **D7**
Red her cheeks as rowans are, bright her eyes as any star,
G **C** **D**
Fairest o' them all by far, is our darlin' Mairi. **Chorus**

G **C** **D7**
Plenty herring, plenty meal, plenty peat to fill her creel,
G **C** **D**
Plenty bonny bairns as well, that's the toast for Mairi. **Chorus**