**We Wish You A Merry Christmas**

**(Why Can't We Have Christmas The Whole Year Around?)**

[**We Wish You A Merry Christmas**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41ybkZaQbZc) **by Peter, Paul, and Mary from from "A Holiday Celebration With The New York Choral Society" (1992)**

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**[*Intro*]: |C . . |F . . |C . G |C . .**

***[Slowly]***

***[Preface:]***

**|C |A° |Dm |G**

Once in a year, it is not thought a - miss

**|C |F |D7 |G**

To visit our neighbors and sing out like this.

***[Upbeat]***

**[*Chorus*]**

**|C |F |D |G**

We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas

**|C |F |C G |C .**

We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year. **[*Repeat Chorus*]**

**|C |G |D7 |G**

**1.** Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.

**|C | |F G |C**

We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year.

**|C |F |D7 |G**

**2.** We all want some figgy pudding, We all want some figgy pudding

**|C |F |C G |C**

We all want some figgy pudding, And a cup of good cheer.

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**|C |F |D7 |G**

**3.** And we won't go until we get some, We won't go until we get some,

**|C |F |C G |C**

We won't go until we get some, So bring it right here.

**|C |G |D7 |G**

**4.** Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.

**|C | |F G |C**

We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year.

**|C . . |C . . |G . . |C . . |C . . |**

A hap – py New Year.

***[Interlude:]***

***[Slightly Slower]***

**|C |A° |Dm |G**

Once in a year, it is not thought a-miss

**|C |F |D7 |G**

To visit our neighbors and sing out like this.

**|C |Am |D7 |G**

Of friendship and love, good neighbors a-bound

**|C |F |G |F**

And peace and good-will the whole year a-round.

***[Spoken]***

**|C |F |D |G**

(Pace!) (Shanti!) (Salud!) (Shalom!)

***[Resume Singing]***

**|C |A° |Dm |G**

The words mean the same, what-ever your heart

**|C |F |G |C**

Why can't we have Christmas the whole year a-round?

**|Em |F |G .**

Why can't we have Christmas the whole year ...

***[Resume Upbeat Tempo]***

**[*Chorus*]**

**|C |F |D |G**

We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas

**|C |F |C G |C**

We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year.

**|C |F |D |G**

We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas

**|C |F**

We wish you a merry Christmas,

**|C . . |C . . |G . . |C / / |C / / |C / / |C [Ring]**

And a hap – py New Year.

**Note:** “Pace!” is pronounced “Pah-Chay.”