

# The Orchard Wassail

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Soprano/Tenor

Foll-ow the mu-sic Foll-ow the band All ar-ound the or-chard All a-round the land.

Alto/Bass

Foll-ow the mu-sic Foll-ow the band All ar-ound the or-chard All a-round the land.

Detailed description: This block contains the first four measures of the song. It features two staves: Soprano/Tenor and Alto/Bass. Both staves are in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics: 'Foll-ow the mu-sic Foll-ow the band All ar-ound the or-chard All a-round the land.'

5 Chorus

S.

Come sing was -sail, sing was-sail. A - wake-en the trees with our was-sail.

A.

Come sing was -sail, sing was-sail. A - wake-en the trees with our was-sail.

T.

Come sing was -sail, sing was-sail. A - wake-en the trees with our was-sail.

B.

Come sing was - sail. A - was - sail

Detailed description: This block contains the chorus, measures 5-8. It features four staves: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The time signature changes from 4/4 to 2/4 for measures 5-6 and back to 4/4 for measures 7-8. The lyrics are: 'Come sing was -sail, sing was-sail. A - wake-en the trees with our was-sail.' The Bass part has a lower starting point, indicated by an '8' below the staff.

## THE ORCHARD WASSAIL

Follow the music  
Follow the band  
All around the orchard  
All around the land

### Chorus

Come sing wassail  
Sing wassail  
Awaken the trees  
With our wassail

Blossom in the Springtime  
Brings the honey bee  
Fruits in the Autumn  
Grow on every tree

Apple and pear and  
Walnut and cherry  
Damson and plum  
Will make us all merry

Here's a little cider  
Made last year  
From our wassail  
Bowl to share

Cider on your branches  
Cider on your roots  
Well may you blossom  
And well may you fruit

Bless this little orchard,  
Spirit of the trees,  
Bless the robin redbreast  
And the honey bees