Skye Boat Song

C   Am   G
Speed, bonnie boat, like a bird on the wing,
C   F   C
Onward! the sailors cry;
C   Am   G
Carry the bairn that's born to be King
C   F   C
Over the sea to Skye.

Am     Dm
Loud the winds howl, loud the waves roar,
Am
Thunderclaps rend the air;
Am     Dm
Baffled, our foes stand by the shore,
Am     G7
Follow they will not dare.

C   Am   G
Speed, bonnie boat, like a bird on the wing,
C   F   C
Onward! the sailors cry;
C   Am   G
Carry the bairn that's born to be King
C   F   C
Over the sea to Skye.

Am     Dm
Though the waves leap, soft shall ye sleep,
Am
Ocean's a royal bed.
Am     Dm
Rocked in the deep, Flora will keep
Am     G7
Watch by your weary head.

C   Am   G
Speed, bonnie boat, like a bird on the wing,
C   F   C
Onward! the sailors cry;
C     Am       G       
Carry the bairn that's born to be King
C        F        C       
Over the sea to Skye.

Am                    Dm
Many's the bairn fought on that day,
Am
Well the claymore could wield,
Am                    Dm
When the night came, silently lay
Am                    G7
Dead in Culloden's field.

C     Am       G       
Speed, bonnie boat, like a bird on the wing,
C        F        C       
Onward! the sailors cry;
C     Am       G       
Carry the bairn that's born to be King
C        F        C       
Over the sea to Skye.

Am                    Dm
Burned are their homes, exile and death
Am
Scatter the loyal men;
Am                    Dm
Yet e'er the sword cool in the sheath
Am                    G7
Charlie will come again.

C     Am       G       
Speed, bonnie boat, like a bird on the wing,
C        F        C       
Onward! the sailors cry;
C     Am       G       
Carry the bairn that's born to be King
C        F        C       
Over the sea to Skye.