

Loch Lomond (Scottish Traditional)

Refrain

Oh! ye'll take the high road and
I'll take the low road,
And I'll be in Scotland afore ye;
But me and my true love
Will never meet again
On the bonnie, bonnie banks of Loch Lomond

Verse 1

By yon bonnie banks,
And by yon bonnie braes,
Where the sun shines bright on Loch Lomond,
Where me and my true love
Were ever want to gae,
On the bonnie, bonnie banks of Loch Lomond.

Verse 2

'Twas then that we parted
In you shady glen,
On the steep, steep side of Ben Lomond,
Where in purple hue
The Highland hills we view,
And the moon coming out in the gloaming.

Verse 3

The wee birdie sang
And the wild flowers spring,
And in sunshine the waters are sleeping,
But the broken heart it kens
Nae second Spring again,
Tho' the waeful may cease frae their greeting.

Notes:

The original is presented above to show how easy an adaptation this can be. When sung during the 2007 Lake Pepin Three Speed Tour, this was printed front and back and the paper trimmed down so that *Loch Lomond* was on one side and the *Ballad of Maiden Rock* on the other. This is best sung in a Sean Connery accent. These lyrics are specific to locations on the Lake Pepin tour.

Loch Pepin, or, The Maiden Rock Ballad

Refrain (*sung first, and then after each verse*)

Oh! ye'll take the high road and
I'll take the low road,
And I'll be in Stockholm afore ye;
But me and me old bike
Will always ride again
On the bonnie, bonnie banks of Loch Pepin

Verse 1

By yon bonnie banks,
Across yon railway tracks,
Where the sun shines bright on Loch Pepin,*
Where me and my Raleigh
Were ever want to gae,
On the highway thirty five of Wisconsin. **

Verse 2

'Twas then that we parted
At the Pelican,
Near the steep, steep side of Rock Maiden,
Where in purple hue
Old Frontenac we view,
And the moon coming out in the gloaming.

Verse 3

The wee birdie sang
And the wild flowers spring,
And in sunshine the riders are ped'lin',***
But the broken cable kens
Nae second gear again,
And the waeful may cease frae their shiftin'.

* Alt: Where the rain *drizzles down*, *snow falls deep*, *hail splashes into*, etc.

** use a glottal stop on *thirty* (swallow the 2nd t)

*** Alt: *sunshine* can be replaced with *drizzle*, *downpours*, *snow squalls*, etc. as needed