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**Hebridean  
Spinning Song** (2015)

SSAA, unaccompanied

SAMPLE



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Original Gaelic words by Angus Robertson

English words by Hugh S. Robertson

*Hoorovahinda*

When will someone come to me?  
Will he come by land or sea?  
Will he my own lover be?  
O tell me truly wheel, O.

*Hoorovahinda*

Wheel o' fate, what is it you say?  
This year, next, or never a day?  
When will wooer come my way?  
O, tell me truly wheel, O.

*Hoorovahinda*

Be he dark or be he fair,  
Shy or bold or debonaire  
Ribbons braw will deck my hair  
To meet and greet my true love.

*Hoorovahinda*

O dick o deck o dandy.  
O dick o deck o dandy.  
la la la.....

**Programme note by the composer:**

I lived on the spectacular Isle of Skye for nearly ten years and was fortunate to have some amazing neighbours on the Waternish penninsular where I lived in a converted Telford church.

Tony and Eva Lambert are such warm and generous friends who, at that time, were crofters, and produced wool which they dyed with natural dyes and spun the wool to make wonderful knitted garments.

It is with fond memories of evenings spent with many glasses of wine in front of the spitting logs on the fire and Eva twisting wool as we conversed that I dedicate this wee piece to them.

**Mark Hewitt, Crewkerne, Somerset 2015**

To Tony and Eva Lambert  
Written for the Sheila Furse and the Summer Singers

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trad. arr. Mark Hewitt (2015)

Vivo ♩ = c.84

Soprano

*p* Hoo-ro-va-hin-da *mp* Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

S.

*f* Hoo-ro-va-hin-da *f* Hoo-ro-va-hin-da *f* Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va

A

S.

*pp* hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va

Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

A.

*f* Hull-a-mack-a-doo, Hoo-ro-va-hee, Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

*f* Hull-a-mack-a-doo, Hoo-ro-va-hee, Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

**C** Vivo ♩ = c.84

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S. wheel, O. Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo - ro - va-hin - da

A. wheel, O. Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va-  
Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hull-a-mack-a- doo, Hull-a-mack-a- doo,

*f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

38

S. Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo - ro - va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da

A. hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va  
Hoo-ro-va- hee, Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hull-a-mack-a- doo, Hoo-ro-va- hee, O\_  
Hoo-ro-va- hee, Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hull-a-mack-a- doo, Hoo-ro-va- hee, O\_  
Hoo-ro-va- hee, Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hull-a-mack-a- doo, Hoo-ro-va- hee, O\_

**D** Molto Meno mosso ♩ = c. 108

43

S. Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da

A. hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da Hoo-ro-va - hin - da  
dick - o - deck - o - dan - dy.  
dick - o - deck - o - dan - dy. Hoo-ro-va-hin - da Hoo-ro-va-hin - da

*p*

65

S. Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

A. Hoo-ro-va-hee, O dick-o - deck-o - dan - dy.

Hoo-ro-va-hee, O dick-o - deck-o - dan - dy.

**F**

71 **Slower** ♩ = c. 86

S. Be he dark or\_ be he fair, Shy or bold or\_

Be he dark or\_ be he fair, Shy or bold or\_

A. Be he dark or\_ be he fair, Shy or bold or\_

Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

*mp* *mp* *mp* *mf* *p*

76 **accel.**

S. de-bon - air, Rib-bons braw will deck my hair To\_ meet and greet my true love.

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A. de-bon - air, Rib-bons braw will deck my hair To\_ meet and greet my true love.

Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da Hoo-ro-va-hin-da

**H** Vivo  $\text{♩} = \text{c.84}$   
*nonchalantly, workaday*

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S. *p* la la la la la

A. *p* la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

*p* la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

*p* la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

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S. *v* la la la la

A. la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la la la la la

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(senza rit.)

S. la la la la la la la la la la

A. la la la la la la la la la la

la la la la la la la la la la