

Rio Grande traditional (6/8 time)



Oh say were you e- ver in Ri- o Grande? Way, you Ri- o! Oh say were you e- ver in



Ri- o Grande, and we're bound for the Ri- o Grande. Then a- way, haul a way. Way! you



Ri- o! So fare- thee- well, my pret- ty young gals and we're bound for the Ri- o Grande.

D *A7(1/2)* *D(1/2)* *D(1/2)* *Dma7(1/2)* *F#m*
Oh say were you ever in Rio Grande, way down Rio?

G(1/2) *D(1/2)* *A7(1/2)* *Bm(1/2)* *D(1/2)* *A7(1/2)* *D*
Oh say were you ever on that strand? For we're bound for the Rio Grande.

D(1/2) *A7(1/2)* *D* *D(1/2)* *Dma7(1/2)* *F#m*
And away love, away, way down Rio.

G(1/2) *D(1/2)* *A7(1/2)* *Bm(1/2)* *D(1/2)* *A7(1/2)* *D*
Sing "Fare thee well, my pretty young girl, for we're bound for the Rio Grande."
D(1/2) *A(1/2)* *D* *D*

Oh, Liverpool city is no place for me,
I'll pack up my bag and go out to sea (*chorus*)

So it's pack up your sea chest an' get underway,
The girls we are leavin' can have our half-pay. (*chorus*)

Sing good bye to Nellie and good bye to Sue.
And you who are listening, good bye to you. (*chorus*)

So man the good capstan and run it around.
We'll heave up the anchor to this jolly sound.. (*chorus*)

We're a Liverpool ship and a Liverpool crew,
You can stick to the coast but I'm damned if we do! (*chorus*)

Our ship went sailin' over the bar,
We've pointed her bow to the southern stars. (*chorus*)

I'll sing you a song of the fish of the sea.
I sing you a song of the fish of the sea. (*chorus*)