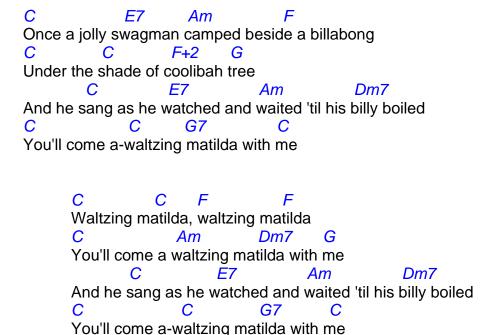
Waltzing Matilda (1903) lyrics by Andrew Barton (Banjo) Paterson

(1895). Christina Macpherson (1903) played the tune 'Craiglea' for the guests at Dagworth Station. Paterson liked the tune and inquired about the words. Macpherson explained that she did not know of any words. This was enough to inspire Paterson. The lyrics which he wrote were an intermingling of a series of events which occurred while he was staying at Dagworth Station. Play the verses in 4/4—the chorus can either be in 3/4 or 4/4 time



Down came a jumbuck to drink beside the billabong Up jumped the swagman and grabbed him with glee And he sang as he stuffed that jumbuck in his tucker-bag You'll come a-waltzing matilda with me

Up rode the stockman, mounted on his thoroughbred Up rode the troopers, one, two, three "Free that jolly jumbuck you've got in your tucker-bag" You'll come a-waltzing matilda with me

Up jumped the swagman and sprang into that billabong "You'll never take me alive!" said he And his ghost may be heard as you pass beside that billabong You'll come a-waltzing matilda with me.