

Folk Songs

"All Around my Hat"

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My love she was fair, and my love she was kind
And cruel the judge and jury that sentenced her away
For thieving was a thing that she never was inclined to
They sent my love across the sea ten thousand miles
away.

Chorus:

All around my hat, I will wear the green willow,
All around my hat for a year and a day
And if anyone should question me the reason for my
wearing it
I'll tell them that my own true love is ten thousand miles
away.

2. I bought my love a golden ring to wear upon her
finger
A token of our own true love and to remember me
And when she returns again, we never will be parted
We'll marry and be happy for ever and a day.

Chorus:

3. Seven, seven long years my love and I are parted
Seven, seven long years my love is bound to stay
Seven long years I'll love my love and never be false-
hearted
And never sigh or sorrow while she's far, far away.

Chorus:

4. Some young men there are who are precious
deceitful,
A-coaxin' of the fair young maids they mean to lead
astray
As soon as they deceive them, so cruelly they leave
them
I'll love my love forever though she's far, far away.

Chorus:

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