



Folksongs and Traditional Tunes
The Ash Grove

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3-part a cappella, low key

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Low Key
3-part a cappella

English Words by Thomas Oliphant

Traditional Welsh Melody

Tempo and dynamics ad lib.

arr. Paul Ayres

1
ah*

2
1. Down yon - der green val - ley where stream - lets me - an - ly When twi - light is
2. Still glows the bright sun - shine o'er val - ley and moun - tain, All we - bless the

3
ah* ah

6
ah

fad - ing I pen - sive - ly ro - ve at the bright noon - tide in so - li - tude
black - bird his note from the tree, Still trem - bles the moon - beam on stream - let and

12
ah

yon - der A - mid the dark shades of the lone - ly ash grove. 'Twas there while the
moun - tain, But what are the beau - ties of na - ture to me? With sor - row, deep

*sing "ah" or "oo" or any other sound ad lib.

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black - bird was cheer - ful - ly__ sing - ing I first met_ my__ dear one, the
 sor - row, my bos - om__ is__ lad - en, All day I__ go__ mourn - ing in

1. the
2. in

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joy of my heart.____ ah____
 search of my love.____

joy of my heart, A__ told us__ glad - ness the blue - bells were
 search of my love, Ye__ eel - pes, O__ tell me, where is the__ sweet

joy, the joy of my heart, ah____
 search, in search of my love,

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ring - ing, ah, then lit - tle__ thought I how soon we must part.
 mai - den? She sleeps 'neath the__ green turf down by the Ash Grove.

D.C.

ah