

Come Along Camel Calypso

from "Three Christmas Camels"

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Mixed voices + Piano
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Verse 1:

Come along, come along, time to wake!
Come along, camel, long time you take!
The night is filled with a song of joy
An' I wanna see Mary's boy!

Chorus 1:

Come along, come along, camel, camel.
Come along, come along, camel, camel.
Come along, camel,
Come along with me to Bethlehem to see the baby Jesus Child!

Chorus 2:

Find your feet, camel, on Calypso Day!
Keep the beat, camel, in calypso way!
Can't you hear the holy angels saying to you:
Come along with me to Bethlehem to see the baby Jesus Child!

Verse 2:

Come along camel, long time you wait
Come along, come along, don't be late!
Across the country we got to run
An' I wanna see Mary's son!

Chorus 1:

Come along, come along, camel, camel.
Come along come along, camel, camel.
Come along, camel,
Come along with me to Bethlehem to see the baby Jesus Child!

Chorus 2:

Find your feet, camel, on Calypso Day!
Keep the beat, camel, in calypso way!
Can't you hear the holy angels saying to you:
Come along with me to Bethlehem to see the baby Jesus Child!

Verse 3:

Come along camel, long way to go,
Come along, come along, don't be slow.
The air is cold and the wind is wild
An' I wanna see Mary's child!

Chorus 1:

Come along, come along, camel, camel.
Come along come along, camel, camel.
Come along, camel,
Come along with me to Bethlehem to see the baby Jesus Child!

Three Christmas Camels by Rilla Paterson 1991:

Come Along Camel Calypso

Camel-ong Cowboy

Gotta Go, Camel

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Arranged for mixed voices + piano

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$\text{♩} = 80$
Quick and light

Voice 1
Voice 2
Voice 3
Voice 4
Piano

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Voice 1
1. Come a long, come a-long, time to wake! Come a long, cam - el, long time you take! The night is filled with a song of joy, an' I

Voice 2
1. Come a long, come a-long, time to wake! Come a long cam - el, long time you take! The night is filled with a song of joy, an' I

Voice 3
The night is filled with a song of joy, an' I

Voice 4
The night is filled with joy an' I

Piano

15

Voice 1
wan na see Mary's boy Come a-long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el Come a - long, cam el,

Voice 2
wan na see Mary's boy Come a-long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el Come a - long, cam el,

Voice 3
wan na see Ma ry's - bby! Come a long! Come a - long, now! Come a long! Come a - long, now!

Voice 4
wan na see Ma - ry's boy! Come! - Cam el, come a - long! Come! Cam el, come a - long!

Piano

21 *f* *dim.* *p* *mf*

Voice 1: Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus Child! Find your feet, cam-el on Cal-

Voice 2: Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus Child! Find your feet,

Voice 3: Cam-el, come a long! Cam-el, come a long! and see the ba-by Je-sus Child! Find your feet, cam-el on Cal-

Voice 4: Come on, cam-el, come on cam-el come on cam-el come on, cam-el, come a-long! Find your feet,

Piano: *f* *dim.* *p* *cresc.*

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Voice 1: yp-so Day! Keep the beat, cam-el in cal-yp-so way! Can't you hear the ho-ly

Voice 2: Find your feet, on-Cal yp-so Day! Keep the beat, in-cal yp-so way! Can't you hear the

Voice 3: yp-so Day! Keep the beat, cam-el in cal-yp-so way! in-cal yp-so way! Can't you hear the

Voice 4: Find your feet, on-Cal yp-so Day! Keep the beat, Can't you hear the ho-ly

Piano: *mp*

35 *p* *cresc.* *f*

Voice 1: Ang-els say: Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus Child!

Voice 2: Ang-els say-in' to you: Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus Child!

Voice 3: Ang-els say-in' to you: Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus Child!

Voice 4: Ang-els say-in' to you: Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus Child!

Piano: *mf* *p* *f*

42

Voice 1: *p* 2.Ooh... ooh... Ooh

Voice 2: *p* 2.Ooh... Ooh... Ooh

Voice 3: *mp* 2.Come a long, cam el, long time you wait, Come a long, come a long, don't be late! *cresc.* A - cross the coun. try we

Voice 4: *mp* 2.Come a long, cam el, long time you wait, Come a long, come a long, don't be late! *cresc.* A - cross the coun. try we

Piano: *mf* *mp*

49

Voice 1: Come! Cam el, come a - long! Come! Cam el, come a -

Voice 2: Ooh... Ooh... Come a long! Come a - long, now! Come a long!

Voice 3: *dim.* got to run, an' I wan na see Mary's *p* Son! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el,

Voice 4: *dim.* got to run, an' I wan na see Mary's *p* Son! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el,

Piano: *p*

55

Voice 1: long! Cam el, come a long! Cam el, come a long! and see the ba - by Je - sus Child! *mf* Find your... feet,

Voice 2: Come a - long, now! Come on, cam - el, come on cam - el, come on cam el, come on, cam - el, come a - long! *mf* Find your... feet,

Voice 3: Come a - long, cam el, Come a - long, with me... to Beth - le - hem to see... the ba - by Je - sus Child! *mf* Find your... feet,

Voice 4: Come a - long, cam el, Come a - long, with me... to Beth - le - hem to see... the ba - by Je - sus Child! *mf* Find your... feet,

Piano: *mf*

61

Voice 1
cam - el on Cal - yp - so Day! Keep the beat, cam - el in cal - yp - so way! Can't you hear

Voice 2
Find your feet, on Cal yp - so Day! Keep the beat, in cal yp - so way! Can't

Voice 3
cam - el on Cal - yp - so Day! Keep the beat, cam - el in cal - yp - so way! in cal yp - so way! Can't

Voice 4
Find your feet, on Cal yp - so Day! Keep the beat, Can't you hear

Piano

69

Voice 1
the ho - ly Ang - els say - in' to you: *p cresc.* Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child! *f*

Voice 2
you. hear the Ang - els say - in' to you: *p cresc.* Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child! *f*

Voice 3
you. hear the Ang - els say - in' to you: *p cresc.* Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child! *f*

Voice 4
the ho - ly Ang - els say - in' to you: *p cresc.* Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child! *f*

Piano

76

Voice 1

Voice 2

Voice 3

Voice 4

Piano

84 *mp*

Voice 1
3. Come a long, cam- el, long way to go, — Come a long come a long, don't be slow! The air is cold_ and the wind is wild, an' I

Voice 2
3. Come a long, cam- el, long way to go, — Come a long come a long, don't be slow! The air is cold_ and the wind is wild, an' I

Voice 3
3. Come a long, cam- el, long way, — long way to go, Come a long, don't be, don't be so slow, It's cold_ and the wind is wild, an' I

Voice 4
3. Come a long, cam- el, long way to go, — Come a long come a long, don't be slow! The air is cold and wild, an' I

Piano
mp

90 *p*

Voice 1
wan na see Mary's Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, cam el,

Voice 2
wan na see Mary's Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, cam el,

Voice 3
wan na see Ma - ry's Child! Come a - long, you la - zy cam - el,

Voice 4
wan-na see Ma - ry's Child! Come a - long, you la - zy cam - el,

Piano
p

96 *f* *mp*

Voice 1
Come a - long, with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see_ the ba - by Je - sus Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, come a -

Voice 2
Come a - long, with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see_ the ba - by Je - sus Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, come a -

Voice 3
Come a - long and see the ba by Je - sus Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, come a -

Voice 4
Come a - long and see the ba by Je - sus Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, — cam el, Come a - long, come a -

Piano
mp

102

Voice 1
long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a-long, cam-el, Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus

Voice 2
long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a-long, cam-el, Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus

Voice 3
long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a-long, cam-el, Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus

Voice 4
long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a-long, cam-el, Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus

Piano

107

Voice 1
Child!

Voice 2
Child!

Voice 3
Child!

Voice 4
Child!

Piano

sf *pp* *ff*

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a choral and piano piece. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system (measures 102-106) features four vocal parts (Voice 1-4) and a piano accompaniment. The vocal parts are in a soprano, alto, tenor, and bass arrangement, respectively. They all sing the same lyrics: "long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a-long, cam-el, Come a-long with me to Beth-le-hem to see the ba-by Je-sus". The piano accompaniment is in a two-staff format (treble and bass clefs). The second system (measures 107-110) features the same four vocal parts and piano accompaniment. In this system, all four vocal parts sing the word "Child!". The piano accompaniment continues with a dynamic range from *sf* (sforzando) to *pp* (pianissimo) and back to *ff* (fortissimo).