

Come Along Camel Calypso

from "Three Christmas Camels"

*Mixed upper voices + Piano
(Also available in SATB + piano)*

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from "Three Christmas Camels":

*Camel-ong Cowboy
Come Along Camel Calypso
Gotta Go, Camel*

*From 2025 these songs are available as picture books
with audio tracks accessed via a QR code in the book*

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Come Along Camel Calypso

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!

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!

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!

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!

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!

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!

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from Three Christmas Camels
Arranged for mixed voices + piano

♩=80

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Quick and light

Voice 1

Voice 2

Voice 3

Voice 4

Piano

mf

6

Voice 1

Voice 2

Voice 3

Voice 4

Piano

mf

mp

1. Come a long, come a-long,

10

Voice 1
time to wake! Come a long, cam-el, long time you take! The night is filled with a

Voice 2
time to wake! Come a long cam-el, long time you take! The night is filled with a

Voice 3
The night is filled with a

Voice 4
The night is filled with

Piano

cresc.

14

Voice 1
song of joy, an' I wan na see Mary's boy Come a-long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el,

Voice 2
song of joy, an' I wan na see Mary's boy Come a-long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el,

Voice 3
song of joy, an' I wan na see Ma ry's - boy! Come a long!

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

Piano

p

18

Voice 1 *mf*
Come a - long, - come a - long, cam-el, - cam-el Come a - long, - cam el,

Voice 2 *mf*
Come a - long, - come a - long, cam-el, - cam-el Come a - long, - cam el,

Voice 3 *mf*
Come a - long, - now! Come a long! Come a - long, - now!

Voice 4 *mf*
long! Come! Cam el, come a - long!

Piano *mf*

21

Voice 1 *f* *dim.*
Come a - long_ with me_ to Beth - le - hem_ to see_ the ba - by Je - sus

Voice 2 *f* *dim.*
Come a - long_ with me_ to Beth - le - hem_ to see_ the ba - by Je - sus

Voice 3 *f* *>dim.*
Cam el, come a long! Cam el, come a long! and see the ba - by Je - sus

Voice 4 *f* *dim.*
Come on, cam - el, come on cam - el come on cam-el come on, cam - el, come a -

Piano *f* *dim.*

24

Voice 1 *p* Child! Find your feet, cam - el on Cal - yp - so Day! *mf*

Voice 2 *p* Child! Find your feet, Find your feet, *mf*

Voice 3 *p* Child! Find your feet, cam - el on Cal - yp - so Day! *mf*

Voice 4 *p* long! Find your feet, Find your feet, *mf*

Piano *p* *cresc.* *mp*

28

Voice 1 Keep the beat, cam - el in cal - yp - so way!

Voice 2 on Cal yp - so Day! Keep the beat, in cal yp - so

Voice 3 Keep the beat, cam - el in cal - yp - so way! in cal yp - so

Voice 4 on Cal yp - so Day! - Keep the beat,

Piano

33

Voice 1
Can't you hear the ho - ly Ang - els say: —

Voice 2
way! Can't you hear the Ang - els say - in' to you:

Voice 3
way! Can't you hear the Ang - els say - in' to you:

Voice 4
Can't you hear the ho - ly Ang - els say - in' to you:

Piano
mf

37

Voice 1
p cresc. f
Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Voice 2
p cresc. f
Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Voice 3
p cresc. f
Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Voice 4
p cresc. f
Come a - long with me to Beth - le - hem to see the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Piano
p f

41

Voice 1 *p* 2.Ooh..

Voice 2 *p* 2.Ooh

Voice 3 *mp* 2.Come a long, cam- el, long

Voice 4 *mp* 2.Come a long, cam- el, long

Piano *mf* *mp*

45

Voice 1 ooh... Ooh

Voice 2 Ooh Ooh

Voice 3 *cresc.* time you wait, Come a long, come a long, don't be late! A - cross the coun_ try we

Voice 4 *cresc.* time you wait, Come a long, come a long, don't be late! A - cross the coun_ try we

Piano

49

Voice 1

Voice 2

Ooh _____ Ooh _____

Voice 3

got to run, an' I wan na see Mary's Son! *p* Come a - long, come a -

Voice 4

got to run, an' I wan na see Mary's Son! *p* Come a - long, come a -

Piano

p

52

Voice 1

p Come! Cam el, come a - long! Come! Cam el, come a -

Voice 2

p Come a long! Come a - long, now! Come a long!

Voice 3

long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el,

Voice 4

long, cam-el, cam-el, Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam-el,

Piano

55

Voice 1
long! Cam el, come a long! Cam el, come a long! and

Voice 2
Come a - long, now! Come on, cam - el, come on cam - el, come on cam el,

Voice 3
Come a - long, cam el, Come a - long_ with me_ to Beth - le - hem_ to see

Voice 4
Come a - long, cam el, Come a - long_ with me_ to Beth - le - hem_ to see

Piano

58

Voice 1
see the ba - by Je - sus Child! Find your_ feet, cam - el on Cal -

Voice 2
come on, cam - el, come a - long! Find your_ feet,

Voice 3
the ba - by Je - sus Child! Find your_ feet, cam - el on Cal -

Voice 4
the ba - by Je - sus Child! Find your_ feet,

Piano

62

Voice 1
yp - so__ Day! Keep the__ beat, cam - el in cal - yp - so__ way!

Voice 2
Find your feet, on__ Cal yp so Day! Keep the__ beat,

Voice 3
yp - so__ Day! Keep the__ beat, cam - el in cal - yp - so__ way!

Voice 4
Find your feet, on__ Cal yp so Day! Keep the__ beat,

Piano

67

Voice 1
Can't you__ hear__ the__ ho - ly Ang - els__ say -

Voice 2
in__ cal yp - so way! Can't__ you__ hear the Ang - els__ say -

Voice 3
in__ cal yp - so way! Can't__ you__ hear the Ang - els__ say -

Voice 4
Can't you__ hear__ the__ ho - ly Ang - els__ say -

Piano

71

Voice 1 *p cresc.*
in' to you: Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see_ the ba - by Je - sus

Voice 2 *p cresc.*
in' to you: Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see_ the ba - by Je - sus

Voice 3 *p cresc.*
in' to you: Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see_ the ba - by Je - sus

Voice 4 *p cresc.*
in' to you: Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see_ the ba - by Je - sus

Piano *p*

75

Voice 1 *f.*
Child!

Voice 2 *f.*
Child!

Voice 3 *f.*
Child!

Voice 4 *f.*
Child!

Piano *f* *dim.*

80

Voice 1

Voice 2

Voice 3

Voice 4

Piano

p

84

Voice 1

Voice 2

Voice 3

Voice 4

Piano

mp

3. Come a long, cam - el, long way to go, — Come a long come a long,

mp

3. Come a long, cam - el, long way to go, — Come a long come a long,

mp

3. Come a long, cam - el, long way, — long way to go, Come a long,

mp

3. Come a long, cam - el, long way to go, — Come a long come a long,

mp

87

Voice 1
don't be slow! The air is cold_ and the wind is wild, an' I wan na see Mary's

Voice 2
don't be slow! The air is cold_ and the wind is wild, an' I wan na see Mary's

Voice 3
don't be, don't be so slow, It's cold_ and the wind is wild, an' I wan na see Ma - ry's

Voice 4
don't be slow! The air is cold and wild, an' I wan-na see Ma - ry's

Piano

91

Voice 1
p Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el, Come a - long, come a -

Voice 2
p Child! Come a - long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el, Come a - long, come a -

Voice 3
p Child! *f* Come a - long, you

Voice 4
p Child! *f* Come a - long, you

Piano

94

f

Voice 1
long, cam-el, cam el Come a-long, cam el, Come a-long with me_ to Beth-le-hem to see

Voice 2
long, cam-el, cam el, Come a-long, cam el, *f* Come a-long with me_ to Beth-le-hem to see

Voice 3
la - zy cam - el, Come a - long and

Voice 4
la - zy cam - el, Come a - long and

Piano

98

mp

Voice 1
the ba - by Je - sus Child! Come a-long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el Come a-long, come a-

Voice 2
dim. the ba - by Je - sus Child! Come a-long, come a - long, cam-el, cam el, Come a-long, come a-

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

Voice 4
mp 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 *cresc.*
long, cam-el, cam el, Come a-long, cam el, Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see

Voice 2 *cresc.*
long, cam-el, cam el, Come a-long, cam el, Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see

Voice 3 *cresc.*
long, cam-el, cam el, Come a-long, cam el, Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see

Voice 4 *cresc.*
long, cam-el, cam el, Come a-long, cam el, Come a-long with me_ to Beth - le - hem to see

Piano *sf*

106 *f*

Voice 1 *f*
the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Voice 2 *f*
the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Voice 3 *f*
the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Voice 4 *f*
the ba - by Je - sus Child!

Piano *ff*

109

Voice 1

Voice 2

Voice 3

Voice 4

Piano

pp *ff*

The musical score is for four voices and piano. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). The four voices (Voice 1, Voice 2, Voice 3, and Voice 4) are all in treble clef and have whole rests in all three measures. The piano part consists of two staves. In the first measure, the right hand plays a sequence of eighth notes (F#, G#, A, B, C, D, E, F#) and the left hand plays a single eighth note (F#). In the second measure, the right hand plays a sequence of eighth notes (F#, G#, A, B, C, D, E, F#) and the left hand plays a sequence of eighth notes (F#, G#, A, B, C, D, E, F#). In the third measure, the right hand has a whole rest and the left hand has a whole rest. The piano part ends with a double bar line.