

# DANNY BOY

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Frederic Weatherly

Another one to test your sense of rhythm .

The original of course is a drawn out ballad and is nearly always sung or played free style to no fixed time signature. That method certainly adds atmosphere and feeling.

But this is Clawhammer, so try it in 4/4.

It's a bit different but try and put a bit of feeling into the last few bars.

FREDERIC WEATHERLY 1910

A song based on the tune "Londonderry Air", which is an air that originated from County Londonderry in Ireland (now Northern Ireland). It is very well known throughout the world.

The tune is played as the victory anthem of Northern Ireland at the Commonwealth Games.

"Danny Boy" is a popular set of lyrics set to the tune.

The words to "Danny Boy" were penned by English lawyer and lyricist Frederic Weatherly in 1910 .

" Danny Boy" was used to represent Northern Ireland at the start of the London 2012 Olympics opening ceremony.

Numerous recordings down the years. Amongst the more notable are: Gracie Fields (1939)

Glenn Miller and His Orchestra (1940)

Judy Garland (1940), Bing Crosby (1945) , Sam Cooke (1957) Conway Twitty (1959),

Jim Reeves (1960) , The Seekers(1964), Tom Jones (1969), Elvis (1976) , Jerry Lee Lewis (1994),

Eric Clapton (1996) and Johnny Cash (2002),

Damien Leith's 2015 recording reached Number 11 in the Australian charts..