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E.J. MOERAN: Folksong Arrangements

Ernest John Moeran was born in London but grew up in Norfolk and had strong ties with Ireland. While still a student at the Royal College of Music he was inspired by a performance of Vaughan Williams's Norfolk Rhapsody that seemed "to breathe the very spirit of the English countryside", and was soon collecting folksongs for himself. Moeran's transcriptions were taken from English and Irish traditional singers with both rural and seafaring backgrounds, rescuing music and words both entertainingly earthy and sublimely beautiful which would otherwise have died with the artists who performed them.



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(1894-1950)Six Folksongs from Norfolk (1924) Six Suffolk Folksongs (1932)

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1 Down by the Riverside [†]	2:58	14 Nutting Time [†]	3:12
2 The Bold Richard [†]	2:41	15 Blackberry Fold [†]	3:19
3 Lonely Waters†	2:26	16 Cupid's Garden [†]	2:16
4 The Pressgang†	2:14	7 Father and Daughter*	3:36
5 The Shooting of his Dear†	3:25	18 The Isle of Cloy [₹]	4:09
6 The Oxford Sporting Blade†	1:35	19 A Seaman's Life [†]	1:09
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7 The North Sea Ground [†]	2:38	20 The Dawning of the Day*	3:21
8 High Germany [†]	2:04	21 My Love Passed Me By*	2:41
9 The Sailor and Young Nancy†**	3:08	22 The Murder of Father Hanratty*	3:16
10 The Little Milkmaid [†]	2:09	23 The Roving Dingle Boy*	2:01
11 The Jolly Carter†**	2:33	24 The Lost Lover*	2:08
12 Parson and Clerk†	2:06	25 The Tinker's Daughter*	1:33
13 Gaol Song†**	2:06	26 Kitty, I am in Love with You*	0:55

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Members of the Weybridge Male Voice Choir**

(Conductor: Christine Best)

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