

National Anthems Online

SWEDEN: Du gamla, du fria

National Day: 6 June (National Day 1809)

For a time, the melody of the British anthem was used in Sweden as was a song by Otto Lindblad but since the end of the nineteenth century *Du Gamla Du Fria* has been used as a national anthem. The words were written by Richard Dybeck (1811-1877) to a traditional folk melody which he heard in Vastmanland in Central Sweden. The title means "Thou ancient, thou unconquered" (".....thou mountainous North").

Traditional folk melody
Arranged by Colin Kirkpatrick

♩ = 84

In Bb, G and F. *mf*

5 *mf*

10 *f* *cresc.* *molto rit.* *mf*

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