

## 21. I SAW THREE SHIPS

English traditional carol  
arranged by DAVID WILLCOCKS

no - stra  
no - stra  
na;  
thou  
thou hast  
ed Coe -  
O that  
that  
D.C. for Verse 4  
were there!  
were there!  
were there!

**Brightly** **FULL**

SOPRANO 1  
SOPRANO 2

SOLO (or TUTTI 1sts) *mf*

1. I saw three ships come sail - ing in, *mf*  
3. Our Sa - viour Christ and his la - dy. On Christ - mas Day, on  
5. O, they sailed in - to Beth - le - hem. On Christ - mas

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2

On Christ - - mas

SOLO (or TUTTI 1sts) **FULL**

Christ - mas Day, I saw three ships come sail - ing in, On  
Our Sa - viour Christ and his la - dy. On  
O, they sailed in - to Beth - le - hem.

Day, on Christ - mas Day,

After v. 5, go to v. 6 (p. 94)

Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing.

2. And what was  
4. Pray, whi - ther

2. What was  
4. Whi - ther

2. And what was in those  
4. Pray, whi - ther sailed those

2. What was  
4. Whi - ther

in sailed those ships ships all three?  
sailed those ships? On Christ - mas Day, on Christ - mas Day, And  
ships all three? On Christ - mas Day, on Christ - mas Day, Pray,  
ships all three? On Christ - mas Day, on Christ - mas Day, Pray,  
in sailed those ships ships all three? And  
sailed those ships ships all three? Pray,

I saw three ships

And what was in those ships?  
Pray, whi - ther sailed those ships?

D.C. for vv. 3 & 5

what was in those ships all three? On Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing.  
whi - ther sailed those ships all three?  
what was in those ships all three?  
whi - ther sailed those ships all three?  
what was in those ships all three? On Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing.  
whi - ther sailed those ships all three?

S.1 *mf*  
S.2  
A.2  
6. Ding dong ding dong ding dong ding dong  
8. Aw Aw Aw Aw  
A.1 *f*

6. And all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, And  
8. And all the souls on earth shall sing. And

ding dong ding dong ding dong ding a dong.  
Aw Aw Aw  
all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing.  
all the souls on earth shall sing.

S.1 *mp* 7. And all the an-gels in heav'n shall sing, On Christ - mas Day, on  
*f* 9. Then let us all re - joice a - main!  
S.2  
A.1 *mp* 7. Ah On Christ - mas Day, on  
*f* 9. Ah  
A.2 *mp* 7. Ah  
*f* 9. Ah

Christ -  
Christ -

Christ-n  
Christ-n  
Christ-n

Christ -  
Christ -  
Christ -

D.C. for vo. 3 & 5

he morn - ing.

he morn - ing.

ding dong

Christ-mas Day, And And

ding a dong.

morn - ing.

st - mas Day, on

st - mas Day, on

Christ - mas Day, And all the an - gels in heav'n shall sing, On  
Then let us all re -  
Christ - mas Day, Ah On  
Ah On

2nd time D.S. for v. 8 poco rall. pp a tempo  
Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing. -joice a-main! On Christ-mas Day,  
On Christ-mas Day,  
Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing. (Ah) pp On  
Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing. (Ah) pp On

poco rit.  
on Christ-mas Day in the morn - - ing.  
Christ - mas Day, on Christ-mas Day in the morn - - ing.  
Christ - mas Day, on Christ-mas Day in the morn - - ing.