

67 Maggie Mae

Arrangement: Preben Schou

1 Solo: NOW, come all you jolly sailor men and listen to my plea,
And when you hear it, won't you pity me,
I was such a bloody fool in the port of Liverpool,
On my first voyage home across the sea.

Chorus: Oh, Maggie, Maggie May, they have taken you away,
To slavery on Van Diemen's* cruel shore
And so guilty they then found her for robbing a homeward
bounder
And they paid her passage out to Botany Bay*!

2 Solo: I was paid off at home, from the port of Sierra Leone,
And four pounds ten a month it was me pay,
And my pocket full of tin, I was soon taken in,
By a young girl, with the name of Maggie May.

Chorus: Oh, Maggie, Maggie May, they have taken you away, ...

3 Solo: Now, how well I do remember, when I first met Maggie May,
She was cruising up and down old Cannon Place,
Oh she wore a figure fine like a ship upon the line,
And me, being a sailor; I gave chase

Chorus: Oh, Maggie, Maggie May, they have taken you away, ...

4 Solo: She gave me a saucy look, and I like a farmer's plod
Let her take me line abreast in tow
And under all plain sails we ran before the gale
And to the Crown's Nest Tavern we did go.

Chorus: Oh, Maggie, Maggie May, they have taken you away, ...

5 Solo: Next morning I awoke, I was flat and stony broke,
No shirt, no pants no waistcoat could I find,
When I asked her where they were, she said: "Jack, me dear",
"They're down in "Paddie's" pawnshop number nine".

Chorus: Oh, Maggie, Maggie May, they have taken you away, ...

6 Solo: To the pawn shop I did go, but no clothes there could I find,
And the scuffer came and took that girl away,
And the judge he guilty found her of robbin' a homeward-
bounder,
And he paid her passage out to Botany Bay.

Chorus: /Oh, Maggie, Maggie May, they have taken you away,
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