

FOLLOW THE DRINKING GOURD

for 2-part voices and piano*

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Traditional
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Mysteriously (♩ = ca. 112-116)

PIANO

4 PART I

mf

7

When the sun goes back and the

mf

Oo

PART II

8

night time falls, fol - low the drink-ing gourd.. When the

fol - low the drink-ing gourd..

NOTE: The "drinking gourd" refers to The Big Dipper, which pointed the way north for slaves escaping to freedom on the Underground Railroad.

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stars come out and the first quail calls,— fol - low the

Oo fol - low the

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drink-ing gourd... Fol-low the drink-ing gourd, fol-low the

drink-ing gourd... Fol-low the drink-ing gourd,- fol-low the

18

drink-ing gourd... Well, the old man's a-wait-ing for to car-ry you to free - dom,

drink-ing gourd... Well, the old man's a-wait-ing for to car-ry you to free - dom,

21

fol-low the drink - ing gourd, — fol-low the drink - ing gourd..

fol-low the drink - ing gourd, — fol-low the drink - ing gourd..

24

30

Well, the banks of the riv - er make a might-y good road, —

mf

Oo —

32

fol - low the drink-ing gourd... And the bur-den I'm a carry-in' is a

fol - low the drink-ing gourd... Oo

35

heav - y load, - fol - low the drink-ing gourd... Fol-low the

fol - low the drink-ing gourd... Fol-low the

38

39

drink-ing gourd, - fol - low the drink-ing gourd... Well, the

drink-ing gourd, - fol - low the drink-ing gourd... Well, the

42

old man's a-wait-ing for to car-ry you to free - dom, fol-low the drink - ing gourd, -

old man's a-wait-ing for to car-ry you to free - dom, fol-low the drink - ing gourd, -

45

fol-low the drink - ing gourd. -

fol-low the drink - ing gourd. -

49

rit.

rit. e dim.

53

Slowly, freely

p

I got to run, for they com-in' af-ter me,

p

fol-low the drink-ing gourd..

Slowly, freely

57

in tempo

Big dip-per lead to the land of the free,

fol-low the drink-ing gourd..

in tempo

61

Tempo I

mf

Fol - low the drink-ing gourd, -

mf

fol - low the

Tempo I

64

drink-ing gourd... Well, the old man's a-wait-ing for to car-ry you to free - dom,

drink-ing gourd... Well, the old man's a-wait-ing for to car-ry you to free - dom,

67

fol-low the drink - ing gourd. — Fol - low the

fol-low the drink - ing gourd. — Fol-low — fol - low the

71

cresc. drink - ing gourd. — *f*

cresc. drink ing gourd. — *f*

cresc. *f*

