

# Bound For The Rio Grande

For Four-Part Chorus of Men's Voices  
with Tenor Solo  
a cappella

American Sea Shanty

Arranged by  
Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

Warmly, freely

Tenor Solo  
I'll sing you a song of the fish of the sea, I'll

Tenor I  
Hm. Oh, Ri - o,

Tenor II  
Hm. Oh, Ri - o,

Bass I  
Hm. Oh, Ri - o,

Bass II

Piano  
(for rehearsal only)

5

sing you a song of the fish of the sea.

poco rit. a tempo

Hm. And we're bound for the Ri - o Grande. Then a -

poco rit. a tempo

Hm. And we're bound for the Ri - o Grande. Then a -

poco rit. a tempo

Hm. And we're bound for the Ri - o Grande.

poco rit. a tempo

Hm. And we're bound for the Ri - o Grande.

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way, love, a - way. 'Way down Ri - o. So fare ye well, my

way, love, a - way. 'Way down Ri - o. So fare ye well, my

Then a - way, love, a - way down Ri - o. So fare ye well, my

Then a - way, love, a - way. So fare ye well, my

*mf* *poco rit.*

*mf* *poco rit.*

*f* *mf* *poco rit.*

*f* *mf* *poco rit.*

*mf* *poco rit.*

10

*mf*

15

Sing good-bye to Sal - ly and

*ten.* *a tempo*

pret - ty young gel, Ri - o, Ri - o Grande. —

*ten.* *a tempo*

pret - ty young gel, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande. — Oh, —

*ten.* *a tempo*

pret - ty young gel, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande. —

*ten.* *a tempo* *div.* *unis.* *p*

pret - ty young gel, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande. — Oh, —

15

*ten.* *a tempo* *p*

20

good - bye to Sue, And you who are lis - ten - ing, good-bye to you, For we're

Oh, Ri - o, Oh, Ri - o,

Ri - o, Oh, Ri - o,

Oh, Ri - o,

Ri - o, Oh, Ri o,

20

Piano accompaniment for measures 20-24, including treble and bass staves with chords and melodic lines.

25

bound for the Ri - o Grande. So

Ri - o Grande. A - way, a - way down

Ri - o Grande. Then a - way, love, a - way, 'Way down Ri - o,

Then a - way, love, a - way, 'Way down Ri - o,

Ri - o Grande. Then a - way, love, a - way, 'Way down Ri - o,

25

Piano accompaniment for measures 25-29, including treble and bass staves with chords and melodic lines.

30

fare ye well, my pret-ty young gel, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande. *poco rit.* *ten.*

Ri - o, Ri - o, Oh, Ri - o Grande. *poco rit.* *ten.*

'way down Ri - o, Oh, Ri - o Grande. *poco rit.* *ten.*

'way down Ri - o, Ri - o Grande. *poco rit.* *div.* *ten.* *mf*

30

*poco rit.* *ten.* *mf*

35

*mf* Our ship went sail - ing out o - ver the Bar, *slightly slower espr.*

Oh, Ri - o, And we *mf*

*a tempo* ship went sail - ing out o - ver the Bar, Oh, Ri - o, *unis. mf*

Oh, Ri - o, *mf*

35

*a tempo* *slightly slower*

(as an echo)

And we point - ed her nose for the South - ern Star, A - way \_\_\_\_\_ to

point - ed her nose for the South - ern Star, \_\_\_\_\_ A - way \_\_\_\_\_ to

Ri - o, And we're bound for the Ri - o Grande.

Oh, Ri - o, \_\_\_\_\_ And we're bound for the Ri - o, bound for the Ri - o

Oh, \_\_\_\_\_

Ri - o. *ten.* The bon - ny birk tree, \_\_\_\_\_

Ri - o. *ten.* The ash, the bon - ny birk tree, \_\_\_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_\_\_

The oak, the ash and the bon - ny birk tree, \_\_\_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_\_\_

Grande. \_\_\_\_\_ The oak, the ash and the bon - ny birk tree, \_\_\_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_\_\_

45 *poco rall.*

Ri - o, \_\_\_\_\_ And we're

*poco rall.* *Broader espr. mp*

They're all bloom - ing green in the North Coun - trie,

*poco rall.* *Broader mp espr.*

Ri - o, They're all bloom - ing green in the North Coun - trie,

*poco rall.* *Broader mp espr.*

Pi - o, They're all bloom - ing green in the North Coun - trie,

*poco rall.* *Broader mp espr.*

Ri - o, Ri - o, They're all bloom - ing green in the North Coun - trie,

45 *Broader*

*poco rall.* *mp*

*a tempo*

50

bound for the Pi - o Grande. Then a - way, love, a - way, \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo* *p*

Ri - o, \_\_\_\_\_ Grande. Then a -

*a tempo* *p* *mf*

Ri - o Grande. Then a - way, love, a - way, \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo* *p* *mf*

Ri - o, Ri - o Grande. Then a - way, love, a - way, \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo* *p*

Ri - o Grande. \_\_\_\_\_

*a tempo*

50

*a tempo* *p* *mf*

ten. rit. e espr.

*f.* 'Way down Ri - o, So fare ye well, my

*f.* way down Ri - o, So fare ye well, my

*f.* 'Way down Ri - o, So fare ye well, my

*f.* 'Way down Ri - o, So fare ye well, so

*f.* 'Way down Ri - o, So fare ye well, my

ten. rit. e espr.

*f.* ten. *mp.*

55 Very slow

pret - ty young gel!

pret - ty young gel, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande.

pret - ty young gel, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande.

fare ye well, For we're bound for the Ri - o Grande.

pret - ty young gel, For we're bound, Ri - o Grande.

55 Very slow

*p.* *div.*

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