

The Maids of Ardagh (D major / A mixolydian)

The Toormore Polka #2

traditional Irish Polka

a.k.a.: Sliabh Mhachaire, a.k.a.: Johnny O'Leary's Polka, a.k.a.: Maids of Ardath, a.k.a. Jim Hayden's Polka
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Recordings: Johnny O'Leary: *Music for the Set - Music from Sliabh Luachra Vol. 5* (1977); Johnny O'Leary: *Rushy Mountain* (1977); Cherish the Ladies & Maureen Glynn School of Irish Music: *Irish Women Musicians in America* (1995); Simple Gifts: *Time and Again* (1999); Public House Ceili Band: *Go Figure* (2001); Mary & Jim Coogan: *Passing Time* (2002); Cultúrlann session lead by Brian Prior: *Comhaltas Live #202-5* (2007); The Gas Men: *Clement Street* (2008); Heather Breeze Céili Band: *The Skylark* (2009); Jean-Yves Le Pape: *Uilleann Pipe* (2010); John Cronin & Daithí Kearney: *Midleton Rare* (2012); The Old Swan Band: *Fortyfived* (2020); Miller Folk (Stuart Miller): *Echoes Round the Sun* (2021); Comhaltas: *Foinn Seisiún, Vol. 1*; Matt Cunningham: *Dance Music of Ireland, Vol. 10*; Waltons: *Ireland's Best Polkas and Slides*

The first system consists of two staves. The top staff has a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 2/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music with notes G4, A4, B4, and A4. Above the staff are the chord symbols D, D, D, G, A, and G. The bottom staff also has a treble clef and the same key signature and time signature. It contains four measures of music with notes G4, A4, B4, and A4. Above the staff are the chord symbols D, D, D, G, and then a first ending bracket containing '1. A D' and a second ending bracket containing '2. A D'.

Last line to finish:

A single staff with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 2/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music with notes G4, A4, B4, and A4. Above the staff are the chord symbols A, A, A, E, E, and A.

Variation of the second part:

The variation consists of two staves. The top staff has a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 2/4 time signature. It contains four measures of music with notes G4, A4, B4, and A4. Above the staff are the chord symbols A, A, A, D, and E. The bottom staff also has a treble clef and the same key signature and time signature. It contains four measures of music with notes G4, A4, B4, and A4. Above the staff are the chord symbols A, A, A, E, and then a first ending bracket containing '1. E A' and a second ending bracket containing '2. E A'.