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Drunken Sailor

A tune in Dorian mode



These are the notes of the Dorian scale, starting on D. This scale form is one of the ancient modes, which can be traced back to the music of ancient Greece.

A number of folk songs are in Dorian mode, including *Drunken Sailor*.

It is also much used by jazz musicians. So, although it is ancient in origin, it is very much part of 'living' music.

A musical score for the tune 'Drunken Sailor' in 2/4 time, written in treble clef. The score consists of four staves of music. The first staff has four measures with chord markings Dm, Dm, C, and C above them. The second staff has four measures with chord markings D, D, C, and Dm above them. The third staff has four measures with chord markings Dm, Dm, C, and C above them. The fourth staff has four measures with chord markings DM, Dm, C, and Dm above them. The music is written in a simple, folk-like style with eighth and quarter notes.

This tune can be accompanied by the two chords of D minor and C major

