

# The Holly and the Ivy

Traditional

Waltz time (3/4)

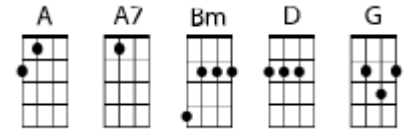
D D Bm A  
The holly and the ivy when they are both full grown  
D Bm G// A7/ D  
Of all trees that are in the wood the holly bears the crown

D D Bm A  
O the rising of the sun, and the running of the deer  
D Bm G// A7/ D  
The playing of the merry organ sweet singing in the choir

D D Bm A  
The holly bears a blossom as white as lily flow'r  
D Bm G// A7/ D  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to be our dear Saviour

## <Chorus>

D D Bm A  
The holly bears a berry as red as any blood  
D Bm G// A7/ D  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to do poor sinners good



## <Chorus>

D D Bm A  
The holly bears a prickly as sharp as any thorn  
D Bm G// A7/ D  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ on Christmas Day in the morn

## <Chorus>

D D Bm A  
The holly bears a bark as bitter as the gall  
D Bm G// A7/ D  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ for to redeem us all

<Chorus> <Repeat verse 1> <Chorus>