

Planxty George Brabazon

G Major

The musical score for "Planxty George Brabazon" is presented in four staves. The first staff begins with a G major chord. The second staff starts with a G major chord. The third staff begins with a G major chord. The fourth staff starts with a G major chord. Chords are labeled above the notes: G, C, G, D, A m, 1. G, 2. G, G, D, E m, G, A m, G, C, D, 1. G, 2. G.

Source: arranged by Judi Longstreet

Turlough O'Carolan (1670-1738) composed this sprightly drinking song for George Brabazon of New Park (later Brabazon Park), County Mayo. Donal O'Sullivan (1958) says Brabazon must have been a young man and a bachelor when O'Carolan composed the air, while the harper himself was near the end of his career. —Fiddler's Companion

Planxty Irwin

G Major

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Turlough O'Carolan, (1670-1738)

The musical score for "Planxty Irwin" is presented in five staves. The first staff begins with a G major chord. The second staff starts with a G major chord. The third staff begins with a G major chord. The fourth staff starts with a G major chord. The fifth staff starts with a G major chord. Chords are labeled above the notes: G, C, G, E m, C, G, D, D7, G, C, G, E m, C, G, D, G, G, E m, D, G, A, D, D7, G, C, G, E m, C, G, G, D, G.

Source: Matt Cranitch - The Irish Fiddle Book

D Major (Brody, Matthiesen, O'Neill): C Major (Complete Collection..., O'Sullivan): G Major (Barnes, Cranitch, Ó Canainn). 6/8 time, "spirited". ... Composed by blind Irish harper Turlough O'Carolan (1670-1738) for a patron, Colonel John Irwin (1680-1752) of Tanrego House (situated on Ballysodare Bay, in the townland of Tanrego West), County Sligo. Donal O'Sullivan (1958) thought it was composed around the year 1713 after Irwin's return from overseas wars, as O'Carolan's song to the tune mentions Irwin's military exploits in Flanders. The Irwin family were originally English grantees of lands in Ireland under the Cromwellian Settlement in the mid-17th century, expanded in settlement of arrears of military pay. They were neighbors of the Crofton family of Longford House, Catholic gentry, who lived a few miles south. Although the Irwins fought for the Williamite side during the Jacobite wars, the Croftons gave them refuge when they were in need. —Fiddler's Companion