

# Mingulay Boat Song

$\frac{3}{4}$  time



Mingulay is the second southernmost island in the Hebrides chain of the Island chain west of Scotland This is a rowing shanty.

**Intro:** [D / ] Il ya [G // ] ho boys [D / ] Let `er [G // ] go boys  
[G / ] Bring her [D // ] head `round in-[G / ]-to the [C / ] wea-[G / ]-ther

**Chorus:** [D] Il ya [G] ho boys [D] Let `er [G] go boys  
[G] Bring her [D] head `round in-[G]-to the [C] wea-[G]-ther  
[D] Hil ya [G] ho boys, [D] Let her [G] go boys  
[G] Sailing [D] homeward to Mingu-[G]-lay

[D] What care [G] we how [D] white the [G] Minch is  
[G] What care [D] we for [G] wind or [C] wea-[G]-ther  
[D] Bring her [G] round boys for [D] every [G] inch is  
[G] Wearing [D] homeward to Mingu-[G]-lay

**Chorus:** [D] Il ya [G] ho boys [D] Let `er [G] go boys  
[G] Bring her [D] head `round in-[G]-to the [C] wea-[G]-ther  
[D] Hil ya [G] ho boys, [D] Let her [G] go boys  
[G] Sailing [D] homeward to Mingu-[G]-lay

[D] Far be-[G]-hind us [D] hills of [G] Quinlon,  
[G] Soon be-[D]-fore us the [G] hills of [C] hea-[G]-ther  
[D] And you [G] know boys the [D] candles [G] glow boys  
[G] In the [D] windows of Mingu-[G]-lay

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[D] Hil ya [G] ho boys, [D] Let her [G] go boys  
[G] Sailing [D] homeward to Mingu-[G]-lay

[D] Wives are [G] waiting [D] on the [G] bank  
[G] Or looking [D] seaward [G] from the [C] hea-[G]-ther  
[D] Bring her [G] round boys and [D] then we'll [G] anchor  
[G] E'er the [D] sun sets on Mingu-[G]-lay

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[D] Hil ya [G] ho boys, [D] Let her [G] go boys  
[G] Sailing [D] homeward to Mingu-[G]-lay [G]!