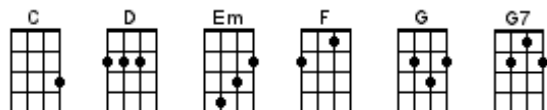


# The Twelve Days Of Christmas

The earliest known version of the lyrics was published in London under the title "The Twelve Days of Christmas sung at King Pepin's Ball", as part of a 1780 children's book, *Mirth without Mischief*.



< ~[G]~ means tremolo >

**INTRO:** / 1 2 3 4 / [C]↓ 2 3

On the [C]↓ **first** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
A [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓

On the [C]↓ **second** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
[G]↓ Two turtle-doves  
[G]↓ And a [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓

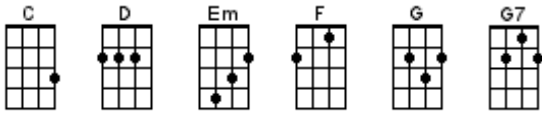
On the [C]↓ **third** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
[G]↓ Three French hens  
[G]↓ Two turtle-doves  
[G]↓ And a [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓

On the [C]↓ **fourth** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
[G]↓ Four colley birds  
[G]↓ Three French hens  
[G]↓ Two turtle-doves  
[G]↓ And a [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓

On the [C]↓ **fifth** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
[Em]↓ Five [D]↓ gold ~[G]~ rings... [G7]↓  
[C]↓ Four colley birds  
[F]↓ Three French hens  
[G]↓ Two turtle-doves  
[G]↓ And a [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓

On the [C]↓ **sixth** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
[G]↓ Six geese a-laying  
[Em]↓ Five [D]↓ gold ~[G]~ rings... [G7]↓  
[C]↓ Four colley birds  
[F]↓ Three French hens  
[G]↓ Two turtle-doves  
[G]↓ And a [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓

On the [C]↓ **seventh** day of Christ-[C]↓mas my [G]↓ true love sent to [C]↓ me -  
[G]↓ Seven swans a-swimming  
[G]↓ Six geese a-laying  
[Em]↓ Five [D]↓ gold ~[G]~ rings... [G7]↓  
[C]↓ Four colley birds  
[F]↓ Three French hens  
[G]↓ Two turtle-doves  
[G]↓ And a [C]↓ partridge [G]↓ in a pear [C]↓ tree [G]↓ [C]↓



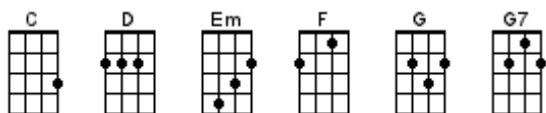
On the **[C]↓ eighth** day of Christ-**[C]↓**mas my **[G]↓** true love sent to **[C]↓** me -  
**[G]↓** Eight maids a-milking  
**[G]↓** Seven swans a-swimming  
**[G]↓** Six geese a-laying  
**[Em]↓** Five **[D]↓** gold ~**[G]~** rings... **[G7]↓**  
**[C]↓** Four colley birds  
**[F]↓** Three French hens  
**[G]↓** Two turtle-doves  
**[G]↓** And a **[C]↓** partridge **[G]↓** in a pear **[C]↓** tree **[G]↓** **[C]↓**

On the **[C]↓ ninth** day of Christ-**[C]↓**mas my **[G]↓** true love sent to **[C]↓** me -  
**[G]↓** Nine drummers drumming  
**[G]↓** Eight maids a-milking  
**[G]↓** Seven swans a-swimming  
**[G]↓** Six geese a-laying  
**[Em]↓** Five **[D]↓** gold ~**[G]~** rings... **[G7]↓**  
**[C]↓** Four colley birds  
**[F]↓** Three French hens  
**[G]↓** Two turtle-doves  
**[G]↓** And a **[C]↓** partridge **[G]↓** in a pear **[C]↓** tree **[G]↓** **[C]↓**

On the **[C]↓ tenth** day of Christ-**[C]↓**mas my **[G]↓** true love sent to **[C]↓** me -  
**[G]↓** Ten pipers piping  
**[G]↓** Nine drummers drumming  
**[G]↓** Eight maids a-milking  
**[G]↓** Seven swans a-swimming  
**[G]↓** Six geese a-laying  
**[Em]↓** Five **[D]↓** gold ~**[G]~** rings... **[G7]↓**  
**[C]↓** Four colley birds  
**[F]↓** Three French hens  
**[G]↓** Two turtle-doves  
**[G]↓** And a **[C]↓** partridge **[G]↓** in a pear **[C]↓** tree **[G]↓** **[C]↓**

On the **e-[C]↓leventh** day of Christ-**[C]↓**mas my **[G]↓** true love sent to **[C]↓** me -  
**E-[G]↓**leven ladies dancing  
**[G]↓** Ten pipers piping  
**[G]↓** Nine drummers drumming  
**[G]↓** Eight maids a-milking  
**[G]↓** Seven swans a-swimming  
**[G]↓** Six geese a-laying  
**[Em]↓** Five **[D]↓** gold ~**[G]~** rings... **[G7]↓**  
**[C]↓** Four colley birds  
**[F]↓** Three French hens  
**[G]↓** Two turtle-doves  
**[G]↓** And a **[C]↓** partridge **[G]↓** in a pear **[C]↓** tree **[G]↓** **[C]↓**

On the **[C]**↓ **twelfth** day of Christ-**[C]**↓mas my **[G]**↓ true love sent to **[C]**↓ me -  
**[G]**↓ Twelve lords a-leaping  
 E-**[G]**↓leven ladies dancing  
**[G]**↓ Ten pipers piping  
**[G]**↓ Nine drummers drumming  
**[G]**↓ Eight maids a-milking  
**[G]**↓ Seven swans a-swimming  
**[G]**↓ Six geese a-laying  
**[Em]**↓ Five **[D]**↓ gold ~**[G]**~ rings... **[G7]**↓  
**[C]**↓ Four colley birds  
**[F]**↓ Three French hens  
**[G]**↓ Two turtle-doves  
**[G]**↓ And a **[C]**↓ partridge **[G]**↓ in a pear **[C]**↓ tree **[G]**↓ **[C]**↓



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