

# TWELVE OXEN

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## *Twelve Oxen*

I HAVE twelve oxen, that be fair and brown,  
And they go a-grazing down by the town.  
With hey! with how! with hey!  
Sawest not you mine oxen, you little pretty boy?

I have twelve oxen, they be fair and white,  
And they go a-grazing down by the dyke.  
With hey! with how! with hey!  
Sawest not you mine oxen, you little pretty boy?

I have twelve oxen, and they be fair and black,  
And they go a-grazing down by the lake.  
With hey! with how! with hey!  
Sawest not you mine oxen, you little pretty boy?

I have twelve oxen, and they be fair and red,  
And they go a-grazing down by the mead.  
With hey! with how! with hey!  
Sawest not you mine oxen, you little pretty boy?

For John Goss

# TWELVE OXEN

PETER WARLOCK

Fast

Voice

Piano

*f*

SOLO

I have twelve ox - en That be fair and brown, — And

*mp* legato

*mp* legato

Chorus. With

they go a - graz - ing down by the town. —

*mp*

*mp*

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hey! \_\_\_\_\_ with how! \_\_\_\_\_ with hey! \_\_\_\_\_

With hey! \_\_\_\_\_ with how! \_\_\_\_\_ with hey! \_\_\_\_\_

*cresc.*

*Ad.* \* \* \*

unison

Saw-est not you - mine ox - en, you lit - tle pret - ty

boy?

*Ad.* \* \* \*

SOLO

I have - twelve ox - en, They be fair - and

*mf*

white, — And they go a - graz - ing down by the

Chorus

With hey! — with how! — with hey! —

dyke. — With hey! — with how! — with hey! —

unison

Sawest not you — mine ox - en, you lit - tle pret - ty boy?

SOLO

I have twelve ox - en, and

legato

they be fair and black, — And they go a-graz - ing down by the

Chorus

With hey! — with how! — with hey! —

lake. — With hey! — with how! — with hey! —

unison  
Saw-est not you — mine ox - en, you lit - tle pret - ty

boy? —

SOLO

I *stacc.* have twelve ox - en, and they be fair\_ and

*mf*

red, And they go a - graz - ing down by the

Chorus

With hey!\_ with how!\_ with hey!\_

mead. With hey!\_ with how!\_ with hey!\_

*rall.*

*rall.*

unison

Sawest not you\_ mine ox - en, you lit-tle pret - ty boy?\_

*rall.*





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