

Harmony Squared at Stirling Castle with The Great Tapestry of Scotland *"Stitching a Song for Mary"* 

Lyric Sheet



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# **PRELUDE**

The main themes taken from the first and final panels of The Great Tapestry of Scotland

THE SEA

Listen Listen to the surge of the sea To the surge of the sea The surge of the sea Surge of the sea Of the sea The sea

Surge, Sea, Surge Listen

### THE COLOURS

Blue, Green, Red, Grey, Brown

#### THE STITCHES

Chain Stitch, Lazy Daisy, Button Hole Couching, Running, Satin Herring Bone, Honey Comb, French Knots, Spiders Web.

Sea

# <u>CHORUS</u>

Mary Queen of Scots We're stitching a song for Mary, Mary Queen of Scots We're weaving together the threads of her life, Mary Queen of Scots We're Stitching a song for Mary, Mary Queen of Scots Twice a Queen, Thrice a wife, Twice a Queen, Thrice a wife Mary Queen of Scots

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### Verse 1 – Spider's Web

We're weaving all together, all together for Mary Natter Natter Chat Chat Spider spider spinning a web of golden thread for Mary Thinking about what Mary said Was she good, was she bad, was she happy, was she sad She lived in prison for most of her life Mary Queen of Scots got her head chopped off!

### Verse 2 The Gardeners

The Gardeners! Dig, Dig, Chop, chop, Rake, rake, Pull, Dig it up, dig it up, put the seeds in. Cutting the vine, drinking the blood red wine, Growing the vine in Scotland, Scotland? – Impossible!

# **CHORUS**

#### Verse 3 - Cat and Mouse

Cat:	Miaow, I'm the cat, Elizabeth	Mouse:	I am Mary Mouse, Squeak
Cat:	Where's the Mouse	Mouse:	Squeak Squeak
Cat:	Where's the Mouse	Mouse:	Squeak Squeak
Cat:	Where's the Mouse	Mouse:	In the kitchen
Cat:	Come here Mary Mouse	Mouse:	Squeak!!!
Cat:	Where's the Mouse	Mouse:	Squeak Squeak
Cat:	Where's the Mouse	Mouse:	In the dungeon
Cat:	Come here Mary Mouse	Mouse:	No fear
All:	Bad old pussy cat, Bad old pussy cat, Leave the mouse alone. Squeak!		

#### Verse 4 - The Crown

French Knots, Satin, Running..... Privilege and the price you pay for the weight of a crown.....

Her beautiful red hair fell down like the sun at the end of the day

Privilege and the price you pay with the weight of a crown..... French Knots, Satin, Running....

#### Verse 5 - The Tortoise and the Tree

Jingle Jingle Jangle I'm the Queen's Fool......

There once was a tortoise called Darnley, Climbing up a tree, Climbing up a tree. He reached for the crown but then he fell down, That silly fool tortoise called Darnley. Jingle Jingle Jangle, I'm the Queen's Fool???!!!!

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# Verse 6 - The Hunt

Ba Ba babababa ba ba ba.... Stay safe come back in time.... Your majesty..... To the hunting you will go, With your deer hound and your horse Stay safe come back in time!

# Verse 7 - The Apple Tree

I am the laundress yes I am, I am the laundress yes I am Washing the clothes for Mary, under the apple tree

The seed the tree the fruit the seed, In my end is my beginning.....

From the apple that fell The story does tell From death and destruction, blood and gore The seed was able to flourish once more

In my end is my beginning.

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