

## Carrickfergus

### The Dubliners

I wish I was in Carrickfergus  
Only for nights in Ballygrand  
I would swim over the deepest ocean  
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But the sea is wide and I cannot swim over  
And neither have I the wings to fly  
I wish I had a handsome boatsman  
To ferry me over my love and I

(This verse is only sung on the 40 years cd)  
My childhood days bring back sad reflections  
Of happy times there spent so long ago  
My boyhood friends and my own relations  
Have all past on now with the melting snow  
So I'll spend my days in this endless roving  
Soft is the grass and shore, my bed is free  
Oh to be home now in carrickfergus  
On the long rode down to the salty sea

Now in Kilkenny it is reported  
On marble stone there as black as ink  
With gold and silver I would support her  
But I'll sing no more now til I get a drink  
Cause I'm drunk today and I'm seldom sober  
A handsome rover from town to town  
Ah but I'm sick now my days are number  
Come all me young men and lay me down  
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