

The Wild Rover

Written sometime in the 1600s by Thomas Lanfiere maybe
This is one of over 200 known versions.

Intro: D7 G D7 G/ 3/4 Time D DUD
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G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
I've been a wild rover for many a year. I spent all my money on whiskey and beer.
G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
But now I'm returning with gold in great store. And I never will play the wild rover no more.

Chorus:

D7 D7 D7(6) G G C(6)
And it's no, nay, never. No, nay, never no more
G G C(6) D7 D7 G(6)
Will I play the wild rover. No, never, no more.

G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
I went to an alehouse I used to frequent, and I told the landlady me money was spent.
G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
I asked her for credit, she answered me "Nay! Such a custom as yours I could have any day."

Chorus:

G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
I took out of my pocket ten sovereigns bright, and the landlady's eyes opened wide with delight.
G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
She said, "I have whiskeys and wines on the best! And the words that I told you were only in jest!"

Chorus:

G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
I'll go home to my parents, confess what I've done and ask them to pardon their prodigal son.
G G G C(6) G C D7 G(6)
And when they've caressed me as oftimes before, I never will play the wild rover no more.

D7 D7 D7(6) G G C(6)
And it's no, nay, never. No, nay, never no more
G G C(6) D7 D7 G(6)
Will I play the wild rover. No, never, no more.

D7 D7 D7(6) G G C(6)
And it's no, nay, never. No, nay, never no more
G G C(6) D7 D7 G...

Will I play the wild rover. No, never, no more. <-----Play the last line slowly and really loud.

