

It was a lover and his lass

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First Book of Ayres or little short songs, to sing and play to the lute with the base viole (1600)

Shakespeare (?)
As You Like It

Allegro con brio

S

f 1. It was a lo - ver and his lass, With a hey, and a ho, and a
mf 2. Be - tween the a - cres of the rye,
p 3. This ca - rol they be - gan that hour,
f 4. Then pret - ty lo - vers take the time

A

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Bar.

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B

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hey no - ni - no, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no,
- no - ni no - ni - no, a hey no - ni no - ni no - ni - no, hey
- hey ho, hey no - ni - no, hey no - ni no - ni - no, hey
ho, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no, hey no - ni no - ni - no, hey
ho, and a hey no - ni no - ni - no, hey no - ni - no, hey

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birds do _____ sing, hey ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, Sweet
birds do sing, hey ding a ding a ding, ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, Sweet
birds do _____ sing, hey ding a ding a ding, ding a ding; Sweet
birds do sing, hey ding a ding a ding, ding a ding, hey ding a ding; Sweet —
do sing, hey ding a ding a ding, ding a ding; Sweet

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p
p
p
f
lo - vers love the spring. In spring time, the on -
lo - vers love the spring. In spring time, in spring, the on -
lo - vers love the spring. In spring time, spring time, in spring, the on -
lo - vers love the spring, in spring time, in spring time, — in — spring time, —
lo - vers love the spring, in spring time, in spring time, in spring time, —

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ly pret - ty ring time, When birds do ——— sing, hey
ly pret - ty ——— ring time, When birds do sing, hey ding a ding a ding, ding a
ly pret - ty ring time, When birds do ——— sing,
- the on-ly pret-ty ring time, When birds do sing, hey ding a ding a ding,
- the on-ly pret-ty ring time, do sing, hey ding a ding a

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ding a ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, Sweet lo - vers love the spring.
ding a ding, hey ding a ding a ding, Sweet lo - vers love the spring.
hey ding a ding a ding, ding a ding; Sweet lo - vers love the spring.
ding a ding, hey ding a ding; Sweet — lo - vers love the spring.
ding, ding a ding; Sweet lo - vers love the spring.