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# Away From the Roll of the Sea

*Allister McGillivray - arr. Diane Loomer*



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To Allister with continuing thanks for his songs from the heart. - D.L.

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Words and Music  
Allister MacGillivray

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arr. Diane Loomer  
mixed choir setting: Larry Nickel

*J = 120 Moderato*

1. [empty] 2. *all women mp*  
Small

*legato - espressivo*  
*mp*  
*pedal freely*

1. [empty] 2. [empty]

6 A *stagger breathing*  
craft in a har - bour that's still and ser - ene give no in - di-

12 ca - tion\_ what they've been... They rock at their moor-ings\_ all

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nest-led in dreams, A way from the roll of the sea

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Their stern lines are groan-ing a lul-la - by

all men      mp

Their stern lines are groan-ing a lul-la - by

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air, a ghost in the cud-dy a gull on the spar.

air, a ghost in the cud-dy a gull on the spar.

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But nev- er they whis - per of jour- neys a - far, a -  
But nev- er they whis - per of jour- neys a - far, a -

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way from the roll of the sea. *mf* Oh  
way from the roll of the sea. *f melody* Oh

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had they the tongues for to speak what tales of ad - ven - ture\_ they'd  
had they the tongues for to speak what tales of ad - ven - ture\_ they'd



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(optional solo)

**D** Verse three

*mf* all men - unison

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day. til guid-ed by har - bour lights they're home to stay,

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*softly*

a - way from the roll of the sea. \_\_\_\_\_ Oh

*softly*

a - way from the roll of the sea. \_\_\_\_\_ Oh

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had they the tongues for to speak what tales of ad - ven-ture they'd

had they the tongues for to speak what tales of ad - ven-ture they'd



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weave.

But now they are an - chored to sleep and slum - ber a -

weave.

piano in

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(optional solo  
a - lee)

lee

Come fair winds to wake them to -

lee

Come fair winds to wake them to -

mp

F verse four

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morn - row we pray.

Come har - vest a - plen-ty to them ev - 'ry

morn - row we pray.

Come har - vest a - plen-ty to them ev - 'ry

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day,  
'til guid-ed by har-bour lights they're home to stay.

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a-way from the roll of the sea.

A-  
A-

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way from the roll of the sea.

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way from the roll of the sea.

