Greensleeves

Finger picking Arrangement

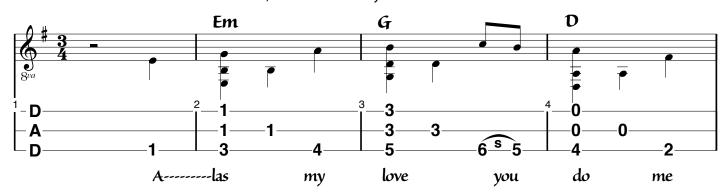
Traditional English Mountain Dulcimer Arrangement by Patricia Delich

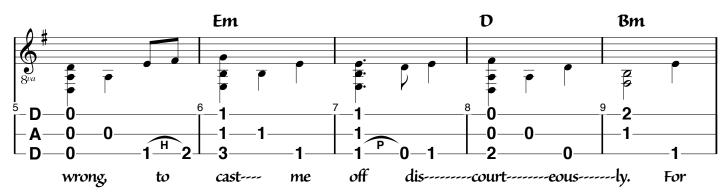
Some people think that Henry VIII wrote this tune for Anne Boleyn, but sources say that Greensleeves was based on an Italian style of composition, not making it to England until after Henry died. The reason I like to fingerpick Greensleeves is to make the dulcimer sound more a lute-like, in Elizabethan-style.

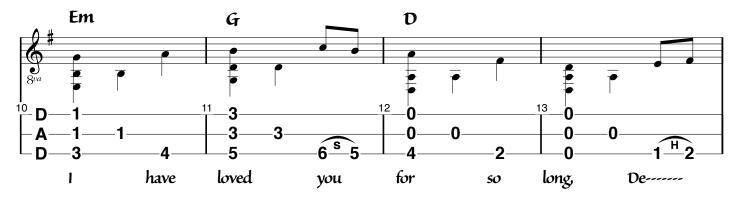
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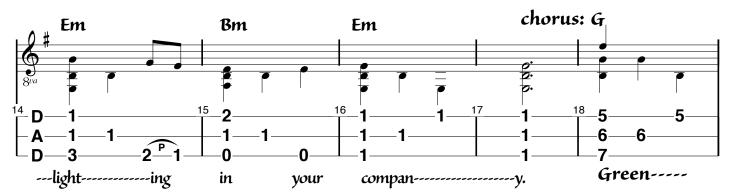
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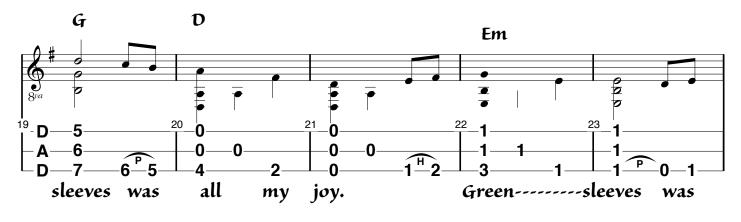
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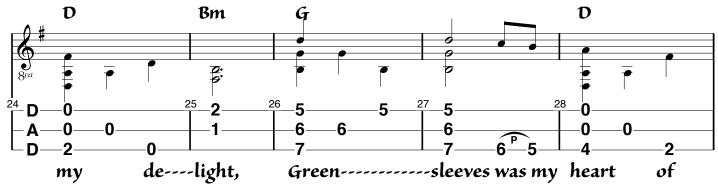


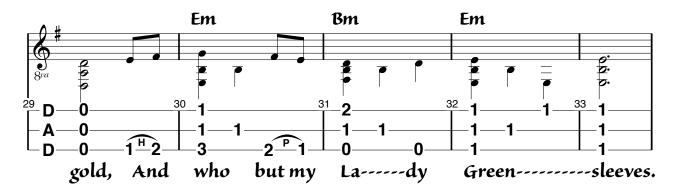












Alas, my love, you do me wrong, To cast me off discourteously. For I have loved you for so long, Delighting in your company.

Chorus:

Greensleeves was all my joy Greensleeves was my delight, Greensleeves was my heart of gold, And who but my Lady Greensleeves.

Alas, my love, that you should own A heart of wanton vanity,

So must I meditate alone Upon your insincerity.

(Chorus)

Your vows you've broken, like my heart,
Oh, why did you so enrapture me?
Now I remain in a world apart
But my heart remains in captivity.

(Chorus)

If you intend thus to disdain, It does the more enrapture me, And even so, I still remain A lover in captivity.

(Chorus)

I have been ready at your hand, To grant whatever you would crave, I have both wagered life and land, Your love and good-will for to have.

(Chorus)