

# The Friendly Beasts

12th Century English Carol

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Je - sus our bro - ther, kind and good, was hum - bly born in a  
 "I" said the don - key, shag - gy and and brown, "I" car - ried his moth - er  
 "I" said the cow, all white and red, "I" gave him my man - ger  
 "I" said the sheep with the cur - ly horn, "I" gave Him my wool for His  
 "I" said the dove from the raf - ters high, "I" cooed Him to sleep - that  
 "I" said the cam - el, yel - low and black, Ov - er the des - ert,  
 Thus ev - ry beast, by some good spell, In the sta - ble dark was

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sta - ble rude, and the friend - ly beasts a - round him stood,  
 up and and down; I car - ried His moth - er to Beth - le - hem town,  
 for a bed; I gave Him my hay to pil - low His head  
 blan - ket warm; He wore my coat on Christ - mas morn,  
 He would not cry; We cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I."  
 up - on my back, I brought Him a gift in the Wise Men's pack."  
 glad to tell of the gift he gave E - man u - el,'

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el, E - man - u - el, the friend - ly beasts were glad to tell.

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