

Song of Amergin

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The *Song of Amergin* is taken from a poem by the seventh-century Celtic bard, Amergin. It purports to be the statement made by the chief bard of the "Good People" at the moment of their first setting foot in Ireland.

Musical score for the first system of "Song of Amergin". It consists of four staves: two vocal staves (Soprano and Alto), a piano accompaniment staff (Treble Clef), and a bass line staff (Bass Clef). The vocal staves are marked with *sfz* (sforzando) dynamics. The lyrics are: "I am a stag of se-ven tines, I am a wide flood on a". The piano accompaniment and bass line are marked with *mn* (mnemonic) dynamics. The music is in a simple, folk-like style with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

Musical score for the second system of "Song of Amergin". It consists of four staves: two vocal staves (Soprano and Alto), a piano accompaniment staff (Treble Clef), and a bass line staff (Bass Clef). The vocal staves are marked with *sfz* (sforzando) dynamics. The lyrics are: "plain, I am a wind on the deep wa - ters, I am a shi - ning tear of the". The piano accompaniment and bass line are marked with *(mn)* (mnemonic) dynamics. The music continues with a similar folk-like style.

9 *sfz*

sun, I am a hawk on a cliff, I am fair a-mongflowers, I am a

8 *sfz*

sun I am a hawk on a cliff, I am fair a-mongflowers, I am a

sfz

I am a hawk on a cliff, I am fair a-mongflowers, I am a

sfz

I am a hawk on a cliff, I am fair a-mongflowers, I am a

14 *p*

god who sets the head a - fire with smoke, I am a bat - tle wa - ging

p

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17 *mf*

spear, I am a sal - mon in a pool, I am a hill of po - e -
mf

mf

spear, I am a sal - mon in a pool, I am a hill of po - e -
mf

mf

spear, I am a sal - mon in a pool, I am a hill of po - e -
mf

mf

spear, I am a sal - mon in a pool, I am a hill of po - e -