

# The Twelve days of christmas

English trad. arr. Francis Melville  
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**Andante con moto e accel poco a poco al fine**

Soprano *mp*  
1. On the first day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me a part ridge in a pear tree

Alto *p* *mp*  
Hmm a part ridge in a pear tree

Tenor *p* *mp*  
Hmm a part ridge in a pear tree 2. On the

Bass *p* *mp*  
Hmm a part ridge in a pear tree

5 *p* *mp*  
Oo two and a part ridge in a pear tree

*p* *mp* *mf*  
Oo two and a part ridge in a pear tree 3. On the

8 se-cond day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree

*p* *mp*  
Oo two and a part ridge in a pear tree

10 *mp* *mf*  
Mm three two and a part ridge in a pear

third day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me three french hens, two and a part ridge in a pear

*mp* *mf*  
Mm three two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

*mp* *mf*  
Mm three two and a part ridge in a pear

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tree Ah four three

tree Ah four three french hens,

tree Ah four three

tree 4. On the fourth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me four cal-ling birds, three

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**Poco Allargando**

two and a part ridge in a pear tree 5. On the fifth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me

two and a part ridge in a pear tree 5. On the fifth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me

two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree 5. On the fifth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me

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**Subito A Tempo**

five gold\_ rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear

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five gold\_ rings, four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

five gold\_ rings, four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

Poco  
Allargando

Subito  
A Tempo

31 *f*  
tree 6. On the sixth day of Christ-mas my true love sent to me six geese a-lay-ing five gold rings,  
*mf* tree \_\_\_ Hmm six five gold rings,  
*mf* tree \_\_\_ Hmm six five gold rings,  
*mf* tree \_\_\_ Hmm six five gold rings,

37 *mp*  
three french hens and a part ridge in a pear tree  
*mp*  
three french hens and a part ridge in a pear tree  
*mp* four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree *p* 7. On the  
*mp* four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree

Poco  
Allargando

42 *pp*  
Oo seven six geese a-lay-ing five gold\_  
*pp* Oo seven six five gold\_  
se-venth day of Christ-mas my true-love gave to me seven swans a-swim-ming six five gold\_  
*pp* Oo seven six five gold\_

**Subito  
A Tempo**

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rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear tree

rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear tree *mf* 8. On the

rings, *f* four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree

rings, *f* four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree

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*mp* Mm eight seven six geese a-lay-ing, *mf*

eighth day of Christ-mas my true-love gave to me *mf* eight maids a-mil-king, seven six

*mp* Mm eight seven swans a-swim-ming, six *mf*

*mp* Mm eight seven six *mf*

**Poco  
Allargando**

**Subito  
A Tempo**

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*f* five gold rings, *f* three french hens *p* and a part ridge in a pear

*f* five gold rings, *f* three french hens *p* and a part ridge in a pear

*f* five gold rings, *f* four cal-ling birds *p* two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

*f* five gold rings, *f* four cal-ling birds *p* two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

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tree Ah nine eight

tree Ah nine eight maids a-mil-king,

tree Ah nine eight

tree 9. On the ninth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me nine pi-pers pi-ping eight

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**Poco Allargando** **Subito A Tempo**

seven six geese a-lay-ing, five gold\_rings, three french hens

seven six five gold\_rings, three french hens

seven swans a-swim-ming, six five gold\_rings, four cal-ling birds

seven six five gold\_rings, four cal-ling birds

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and a part ridge in a pear tree 10. On the tenth day of Christ-mas my true love sent to me

and a part ridge in a pear tree Hhm

two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree Hhm

two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear tree Hhm

80 *f dim.* *mp dim.*

ten drum-mers drum-ming nine eight seven six geese a-lay-ing,

*f dim.* *mp dim.*

ten nine eight maids a-mil-kingseven six

*f dim.* *mp dim.*

ten nine eight seven swans a swim-ming, six

*f dim.* *mp dim.*

ten nine pi pers pi-ping eight seven six

85 **Poco Allargando** **Subito A Tempo**

*p* *f* *f*

five gold rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear

five gold rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear

*p* *f*

five gold rings, four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

*p* *f*

five gold rings, four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear

91 *p* *mp dim.*

tree Oo eleven

*p* *mp dim.*

tree Oo eleven

*mp* *mp dim.*

tree 11. On the e-le-venth day of Christ-mas my true-love gave to me eleven lords a-leap-ing

*p* *mp dim.*

tree Oo eleven

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ten drum-mers drum-ming nine eight seven six geese a-lay-ing, *pp dim.*

ten nine eight maids a-mil-king, seven six *pp dim.*

ten nine eight seven swans a swim-ming, six *pp dim.*

ten nine pi-pers pi-ping eight seven six *pp dim.*

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**Poco Allargando** **Subito A Tempo**

five gold rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear *mf dim.* *p*

five gold rings, three french hens and a part ridge in a pear *mf dim.* *p*

five gold rings, four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear *sf* *f dim.* *p*

five gold rings, four cal-ling birds two tur-tle doves and a part ridge in a pear *sf* *f dim.* *p*

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**Poco Allargando** **Subito Presto**

tree 12. On the twelfth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me twelve eleven *f* *pp cresc.*

tree 12. On the twelfth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me twelve la dies dan-cing eleven *f* *pp cresc.*

tree 12. On the twelfth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me twelve eleven lords a leap-ing *f* *pp cresc.*

tree 12. On the twelfth day of Christ-mas my true love gave to me twelve eleven *f* *pp cresc.*

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ten drum-mers drum-ming nine eight seven six geese a - lay-ing,

ten nine eight maids a - mil-king, seven six

ten nine eight seven swans a swim-ming, six

ten nine pi-pers pi-ping eight seven six

*mf cresc.* *f cresc.* *mf cresc.* *f cresc.*

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**Poco Allargando** **Subito Prestissimo**

five gold rings, three french hens

five gold rings, three french hens

five gold rings, four cal-ling birds

five gold rings, four cal-ling birds

*ff* *pp* *pp* *pp*

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**Molto Allargando**

and a part-ridge in a pear tree

and a part-ridge in a pear tree

two tur-tle doves and a part-ridge in a pear tree

two tur-tle doves and a part-ridge in a pear tree

*ff* *ff* *ff* *ff*