



**A Ship Sails  
up to Bideford**

for SATB Choir  
(with some divisi)

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**Moderate**

SOPRANO  
A ship sails up to Bi-de-ford Up - on a west-ern breeze; Mast by mast, sail ov-er sail, She

ALTO  
A ship sails up to Bi-de-ford Up - on a west-ern breeze; Mast by mast, sail ov-er sail, She

TENOR  
A ship sails up to Bi-de-ford Up - on a west-ern breeze; Mast by mast, sail ov-er sail, She

BASS  
A ship sails up to Bi-de-ford Up on a west-ern breeze; Mast by mast, sail ov-er sail, She

(Piano - for rehearsal only)

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**Solo**

ri-ses from the seas; And sights the hills of De - von And the mi - sty Eng - lish trees. She comes from East-ern

ri-ses from the seas; And sights the hills of De - von And the mi - sty Eng - lish trees. Mmm

ri-ses from the seas; And sights the hills of De - von And the mi - sty Eng - lish trees. Mmm

ri-ses from the seas; And sights the hills of De - von And the mi - sty Eng - lish trees. Mmm

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is-lands; The sun is in her hold; She bears the fruit of Jaf-fa, Dates, or - an - ges and gold; She brings the

Aah She brings the

Aah She brings the

Aah She brings the

Aah She brings the

mp

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silk of Chi - na, And bales of Per - sian dyes, And birds with spark - ling feathers

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silk of Chi - na, And bales of Per - sian dyes, And

mp

Andante

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*p* *legato* *mp*

She's glid - ing, glid - ing, glid-ing in the star -

*p* *mp*

She's glid - ing, glid - ing, glid-ing in the star -

*molto rit.* *p* *mp*

sna - kes with dia-mond eyes. She's glid - ing, glid-ing in the star -

*molto rit.* *p* *mp*

sna - kes with dia-mond eyes. She's glid - ing, glid-ing in the star -

Andante

*molto rit.* *p* *mp*

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*rit.* *A tempo* *mf*

light As white as a - ny gull; The east is glid-ing with her In the shad - ow of her hull. A

*mf*

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*mf*

light As white as a - ny gull; The east is glid-ing with her In the shad - ow of her hull. A

*mf*

light As white as a - ny gull; The east is glid-ing with her In the shad - ow of her hull. A

*rit.* *A tempo*

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ship sails up to Bi-de-ford Up - on a west-ern breeze; With fruits of east-ern sum - mers She

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**Meno mosso****Poco allargando**

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**Meno mosso** **Poco allargando**