

1. A - las, my love, you do me wrong To cast me off dis - cour - tes - ly. For
 2. Your vows you've bro - ken, like my heart, Oh, why did you so en - rap - ture me? Now
 3. I have been rea - dy at your hand, To grant what - e - ver you wouldcrave, I
 7. Well, I will pray to God on high, That you my con - stan - cy mayst see, And
 8. Ah, Green-sleeves, now fare well, a - dieu, To God I pray to pros - per thee, For

I have loved you for so long De - ligh - ting in your com - pa - ny.
 I re - main in a world a - part. But my heart re - mains in cap - ti - vi - ty.
 have both wa - gered life and land Your love and good - will for to have.
 that yet once be - for I die, Thou wilt vouch - safe to love me.
 I am still your lo - ver true, Come once a - gain and love me.

10 Refrain:

Green - sleeves was all my joy, Gree - sleeves was my de - light,

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Gree - sleeves my heart of gold, and who but my la - dy Green - sleeves.

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

5. My men were clothed all in green, / And they did ever wait on thee;
 All this was gallant to be seen, / And yet thou wouldst not love me.

6. Thou couldst desire no earthly thing, / But still thou hadst it readily.
 Thy music still to play and sing; / And yet thou wouldst not love me.

(In anderen Text-Versionen kommen noch drei Strophen vor, in denen der unglückliche Liebhaber berichtet, was er seiner Lady alles gekauft hat, um ihr Herz für sich zu gewinnen. Natürlich hatte das keinen Erfolg!)