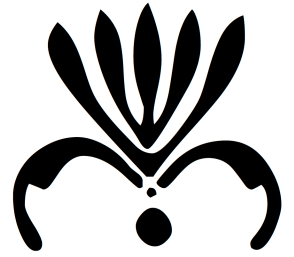


Shakespeare Songs  
No. 9



# You spotted snakes

George A. Macfarren  
(1813-1887)

**Sir George Alexander Macfarren** (1813-1887) was born in London. From early youth, he suffered from poor health and weak eyesight. His eyesight continually deteriorated until he became totally blind in 1860. However, his blindness had little effect on his productivity. Macfarren began to study music when he was fourteen and, at sixteen, entered the Royal Academy of Music. Because of his eyesight, he abandoned performance and concentrated on composition. He later taught at the Academy, eventually becoming a principal. He was also appointed professor of music at Cambridge University in 1875. He was conductor at Covent Garden, London; founder the Handel Society; program note writer for the Philharmonic Society; and editor of *Handel and Purcell*. He wrote 18 operas, 13 oratorios and cantatas, 9 symphonies, and 162 songs. He was active as writer of part-songs, literature for the many amateur choirs appearing throughout the country. He was knighted in 1883 on the same day as Arthur Sullivan and George Grove. His brother Walter Macfarren (1826-1905) was a pianist, composer and professor of the Royal Academy.

You spotted snakes with double tongue,  
Thorny hedgehogs, be not seen;  
Newts and blind-worms, do no wrong,  
Come not near our fairy queen.

*Philomel, with melody  
Sing in our sweet lullaby;  
Lulla, lulla, lullaby, lulla, lulla, lullaby:  
Never harm,  
Nor spell nor charm,  
Come our lovely lady nigh;  
So, good night, with lullaby.*

Weaving spiders, come not here;  
Hence, you long-legg'd spinners, hence!  
Beetles black, approach not near;  
Worm nor snail, do no offence.

*A Midsummer Night's Dream*  
Act 2, Scene 2  
William Shakespeare (1564-1616)

# You spotted snakes

G. A. Macfarren

Allegretto ♩ = 72

S 1 *p* You spot - ted snakes \_\_\_\_\_ with dou - ble tongue, \_\_\_\_\_ Thorn - y

S 2 *p* You spot - ted snakes \_\_\_\_\_ with dou - ble tongue, \_\_\_\_\_

A 1 *p* You spot - ted snakes \_\_\_\_\_ with dou - ble tongue, \_\_\_\_\_

A 2 *p* You spot - ted snakes \_\_\_\_\_ with dou - ble tongue, \_\_\_\_\_

S 1 <sup>4</sup> hedge - hogs be not seen; \_\_\_\_\_ Newts and blind - worms, do \_\_\_ no *cresc.*

S 2 *cresc.* Thorn - y hedge - hogs be not seen; Newts and blind - worms,

A 1 *cresc.* Thorn - y hedge - hogs be not seen; Newts and blind - worms,

A 2 *cresc.* Thorn - y hedge - hogs be not seen; Newts and blind - worms,

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S 1 *f* wrong, *p* Come not near our fair - y queen. *mf* Phi - lo - mel,

S 2 *f* do no wrong, *p* Come not near our fair - y queen. *pp* Phi -

A 1 *f* do no wrong, *p* Come not near our fair - y queen. \_\_\_\_\_

A 2 *f* do no wrong, *p* Come not near our fair - y queen. \_\_\_\_\_

11

S 1 *mf* Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, with

S 2 *pp* - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel,

A 1 \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Phi - lo - mel, with

A 2 \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Phi - lo - mel, with

15

S 1 mel - o - dy Sing in our sweet lul - la - by;

S 2 *mf* Sing, \_\_\_\_\_ sing lul - la - by; Sing lul - la, lul - la,

A 1 mel - o - dy Sing in our sweet lul - la - by; Lul - la, lul - la,

A 2 mel - o - dy Sing in our sweet lul - la - by; Lul - la, lul - la,

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19 *p*

S 1 Lul - la, lul - la, lul - la, lul - la - by. Nev - er harm, nor

S 2 Lul - la, lul - la, lul - la, lul - la - by. *p* Nev - er

A 1 lul - la, lul - la, lul - la, lul - la - by. Nev - er

A 2 lul - la, lul - la, lul - la - by. *p* Nev - er

23 *cresc.*

S 1 spell nor charm, Come our love - ly

S 2 harm, nor spell nor charm, *cresc.* Come our

A 1 harm, nor spell nor charm, *cresc.* Come our

A 2 harm, nor spell nor charm, *cresc.* Come our

27 *f* *p*

S 1 la - - - - dy nigh; So, good

S 2 love - ly la - dy nigh; *f* *p* So, good

A 1 love - ly la - dy nigh; *f* *p* So, good night,

A 2 love - ly la - dy nigh; *f* *p* So, good

## You spotted snakes

31

S 1 night, So, good night, good night, good

S 2 night, So, good night, good night, good

A 1 — So, good night, good night, good

A 2 night, So, good night, good night, good

35

S 1 night, with lul - la - by; Lul - la -

S 2 night, with lul - la - by; Lul - la -

A 1 night, with lul - la - by; Lul - la - by,

A 2 night, with lul - la - by; Lul - la -

38

S 1 by, lul - la - by, lul - - - -

S 2 by, lul - la - by, lul - - - -

A 1 — lul - la - by, lul - - - -

A 2 by, lul - la - by, lu - la, lu - la, lu - la, lu - la, lu - la,

# You spotted snakes

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S 1 *pp* la - by.

S 2 *pp* la - by.

A 1 *pp* la - by, lul - la - by.

A 2 *pp* lul - la - by.

## Allegretto ♩ = 72

44

S 1 *p* Weav - ing spi - ders, come not here; Hence, you

S 2 *p* Weav - ing spi - ders, come not here;

A 1 *p* Weav - ing spi - ders, come not here;

A 2 *p* Weav - ing spi - ders, come not here;

47

S 1 *cresc.* long - legg'd spin - ners, hence! Bee - tles black, ap - proach not

S 2 *cresc.* Hence, you long - legg'd spin - ners, hence! Bee - tles black, ap -

A 1 *cresc.* Hence, you long - legg'd spin - ners, hence! Bee - tles black, ap -

A 2 *cresc.* Hence, you long - legg'd spin - ners, hence! Bee - tles black, ap -

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50

S 1 *f* near; \_\_\_\_\_ *p* Worm nor snail, \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* do no of - fence. \_\_\_\_\_ Phi - lo - mel,

S 2 *f* proach not near; \_\_\_\_\_ *p* Worm nor snail, do no of - fence. \_\_\_\_\_ *pp* Phi -

A 1 *f* proach not near; \_\_\_\_\_ *p* Worm nor snail, do no of - fence. \_\_\_\_\_

A 2 *f* proach not near; \_\_\_\_\_ *p* Worm nor snail, do no of - fence. \_\_\_\_\_

54

S 1 *mf* Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, with

S 2 *pp* - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel, Phi - lo - mel,

A 1 *mf* Phi - lo - mel, with

A 2 *mf* Phi - lo - mel, with

58

S 1 mel - o - dy Sing in our sweet lul - la - by;

S 2 *mf* Sing, \_\_\_\_\_ sing lul - la - by; Sing

A 1 mel - o - dy Sing in our sweet lul - la - by;

A 2 mel - o - dy Sing in our sweet lul - la - by;



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61

S 1 Lul - la, lul - la, lul - la, lul - la -

S 2 lul - la, lul - la, Lul - la, lul - la, lul - la, lul - la -

A 1 Lul - la, lul - la, Lul - la, lul - la, lul - la, lul - la -

A 2 Lul - la, lul - la, Lu - la, lul - la, lul - - - la -

64 *p*

S 1 by. Nev - er harm, nor spell \_\_\_\_\_ nor charm, \_\_\_\_\_

S 2 by. *p* Nev - er harm, nor spell \_\_\_\_\_ nor

A 1 by. *p* Nev - er harm, nor spell nor

A 2 by. *p* Nev - er harm, nor spell \_\_\_\_\_ nor

68 *cresc.*

S 1 Come \_\_\_\_\_ our love - ly la - - - - - dy

S 2 *cresc.* charm, \_\_\_\_\_ Come \_\_\_\_\_ our love - ly la - dy

A 1 *cresc.* charm, \_\_\_\_\_ Come our love - ly la - dy

A 2 *cresc.* charm, \_\_\_\_\_ Come \_\_\_\_\_ our love - ly la - dy

## You spotted snakes

72

S 1 *p* nigh; So, good night, So good

S 2 *p* nigh; So, good night, So good

A 1 *p* nigh; So, good night, So good night, good

A 2 *p* nigh; So, good night, So good

76

S 1 *mf* night, good night, good night, with

S 2 *mf* night, good night, good night, with

A 1 *mf* night, good night, good night, with

A 2 *mf* night, good night, good night, with

79

S 1 *p* lul - la - by; Lul - la - by, lul - la -

S 2 *p* lul - la - by; Lul - la - by, lul - la -

A 1 *p* lul - la - by; Lul - la - by, lul - la - by,

A 2 *p* lul - la - by; Lul - la - by, lul - la -

# You spotted snakes

82 *f*

S 1 by, lul - - - - la -

S 2 by, lul - - - - la -

A 1 lul - - - - la -

A 2 by, lu - la, lu - la, lu - la, lu - la, lul - la -

85 *pp*

S 1 by.

S 2 by.

A 1 by, lul - - - - la - by.

A 2 by.

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