

PIG IN A PEN

Traditional Old-Time and Bluegrass Song; **DATE:** Late 1800's; **CATEGORY:** Early Country and Bluegrass Songs; **RECORDING INFO:** Fiddlin' Arthur Smith & his Dixieliners; Bill Monroe; Camp Creek Boys; Wilma Lee Cooper; Pine River Boys with Maybelle; Round Peak Band; **OTHER NAMES:** Pig at Home in a Pen (Arthur Smith-1937); **NOTES:** Classified under Hard To Love-1873 (Little Turtle Dove) by Meade, *Pig in a Pen*, is close related to Little Turtle Dove-1856 and Shady Grove songs.

Musical notation for the song 'Pig in a Pen'. The first line of music is in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: 'I got a pig at home in a pen corn to feed him on'. The second line of music continues the melody with lyrics: 'All I need is a pret - ty young girl to feed him when I'm gone.' The notation includes a double bar line at the end of the second line.

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G **C**
I got a pig at home in a pen, Corn to feed him on
G **D** **G**
All I need's a pretty little girl, To feed him when I'm gone.

Going up on a mountain,
To sow a little cane
Put that old gray bonnet on,
Sweet little Liza Jane.

Going up on a mountain,
To sow a little cane
Raise a barrel of sorghum,
Sweet little Liza Jane.

Black smoke arising,
Sure sign of rain
Put that old gray bonnet,
On little Liza Jane.

Bake them biscuits baby,
Bake 'em good and brown
When you get them biscuits baked,
We're Alabama bound.