

# SALLY GOODIN

Traditional Old-Time and Bluegrass Song; **DATE:** Late 1800's; **CATEGORY:** Fiddle and Instrumental Tunes; **RECORDING INFO:** Eck Robertson-1922; Fiddlin' John Carson-1923; Uncle Dave Macon-1925; Clark Kessinger-1929; Skillet Lickers-1929; J. E. Mainer's Mountaineers; Kenny Baker; Sam Bush; Flatt & Scruggs & the Foggy Mountain Boys; Ricky Skaggs; Doc Watson; **OTHER NAMES:** Sally Goodwin; Sallie Gooden; **NOTES:** *Sally Goodin* is one of the popular fiddle tunes of upland south. According to North Carolina fiddler Bruce Green, the tune was originally called *Boatin' Up Sandy* (referring to the Big Sandy River in eastern Kentucky) and was renamed by Civil War Confederate soldiers in Morgan's Raiders while they were camped on the Big Sandy in Pike County, Kentucky. Sally Goodin ran a boarding house there and allowed the soldiers to camp and play music. Eck Robertson's 1922 recording (reissued on County CO CD 5515) popularized the tune across America.

Had a piece of pie an' I had a piece of pud-din', 'An I gave it all a-way just to  
see my Sal-ly Good-in. Well, I looked down the road an' I seen my Sal-ly com-in', An' I  
thought in my soul that I'd kill my-self a-run-nin'.

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**G** Had a piece of pie, had a piece of puddin', **D G** Give it all away to see Sally Goodin'. (repeat)

I love pie, I love puddin', Crazy 'bout the gal they call Sally Goodin'. (repeat)

Looked up the road, seen Sally comin',  
Thought to my soul she'd break her neck a-runnin'. (repeat)

An' I dropped the 'tater pie an' I left the appie puddin',  
But I went across the mountain to see my Sally Goodin. (repeat)

Sally is my doxy an' Sally is my daisy,  
When Sally says she hates me I think I'm goin crazy. (repeat)

I'm goin up the mountain an' marry little Sally,  
Raise corn on the hillside an' the devil in the valley. (repeat)

Had five dollars, now I've got none, Give it all away to see Sally Goodin.  
Hey, ho, old Sally Goodin, Hey, ho, old Sally Goodin.

Raspberry pie, blackberry puddin', Give it all away to kiss Sally Goodin.  
Hey, ho, old Sally Goodin, Hey, ho, old Sally Goodin.