

IN PRAISE OF ISLA

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With yearning - spacious

2 poco rit. $\frac{3}{4}$ *a tempo*

Key C { *Two meas. Instrumental* || m : - .r ld :d }

mp 1. See a - far yon
f 2. Ea - gles rise on
mf 3. ⁺Birk - en branch - es
pp 4. Ma - vis sings on

|| m : - .f ls : - | s :m' lr' :t }

hill, Ard - more, Beat - ing bil - lows
soar - ing wing, He - rons watch the
there are gay, Haw - thorns wave their
ha - zy bough, Lin - nets haunt the

|| d' : - .l ls : - | m : - .f ls :s }

wash its shore; But its beau - ties
gush - ing spring, Heath - cocks with their
sil - ver'd spray, Ev - 'ry bough the
glen be - low, *mp* O, may long their

|| l :t ld' : - .t | l :s ld' :m | r : - ld' : ||

bloom no more For me now far from Is - la.
whir - ring bring Their own de - light to Is - la.
breez - es sway A - wa - kens joy in Is - la.
wild notes flow With mel - o - dies in Is - la.

+ birken = birch

CHORUS

f (v. 2 *p*)



 { m : - . r | d : d | m : - . f | s : - }

 O, my own one, O my Isle,



 { s : m' | r' : - . t | d' : - . l | s : - }

 O my dear, my na - tive Isle;

mf (v. 2 *mp*)*cresc.*




 { m : - . f | s : s | l : t | d' : - . t }

 Nought from thee my heart can wile That's

(rall. last time)

for vs. 2 & 4 D.C.
v. 3 D. &



 { l : s | d' : m | r : - | d : }

 wed with love to Is - la.

Last Chorus ending *dim e rall.**Fine*



 { r : - | d : - | - : - | - : - }

 Is - la.

