

11. Wild Rover

Ireland

G C

1. I've been a wild ro - - ver for ma - ny's the year
 But now I'm re - - turn - ing with gold in great store
 2. I went in - - to an ale - house I used to fre - - quent
 I asked her for cre - dit, she an - swered me - - nays, bright
 3. I then took from my pock - et ten so - ve - - reigns
 She said I'd have whis - key and wines of the best
 4. I'll go home to my pa - rents, con - - fess what I've done,
 And when they've ca - - ressed me as oft' times be - - fore

G D7 1 G 2 G*

1. and I've spent all me mo - ney on whis - key and beer.
 and I ne - ver will play the wild ro - ver no more.
 2. and I told the land - la - dy me mo - ney was spent.
 such a cus - tom as yours I can have a - ny day.
 3. and the land - la - dy's eyes o - pened wide with de - - light.
 and the words that she told me were on - ly in jest.
 4. and I'll ask them to par - don their pro - di - gal son.
 then I ne - ver will play the wild ro - ver no more.

D D7 Concertina only G C

And it's no, nay, ne - ver, (clap clap clap clap) no, nay, ne - ver, no more

G C G D7 G

will I play the wild ro - ver. No ne - ver, no more.

* This measure is often omitted.
 Intro is verse to first repeat (concertina)