Bernd's Songbook - the acoustic songs -

lyrics, notes, chords to 29 songs by Bernd Harmsen

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There are two versions of my Songbook:

1. THE songbook (words, notes, chords)

2. Just lyrics and chords

Then there are additional files and resources:

My **Demos** (zip file containing MP3 files):

Stripped down recordings of the songs as described in the PDFs. Originally I intended to only indicate the chord changes, but I found that for several songs the rhythmical strumming I normally do or instrumental breaks to me seemed essential ("shall I live", "Spartacus", "Gilgamesh"), for others it was the intros ("Cassandra", "Siddhartha"). The melodies of (the choruses of) two songs ("no more", "people live, people die") are actually based on guitar riffs, so it would be inappropriate to omit them in the demos.

The music (zip file containing MP3 files):

Mostly live recordings from my rehearsals or my former YouTube series "Folk Bernd live at home". Then there are older home studio recordings that use additional instrumental tracks (like a 6-string guitar – I play a 12-string on my acoustic songs – or MIDI instruments). Such recordings are tagged as "original versions". They sometimes also have differing lyrics (or contain mistakes!). For example, the first version of "summer night" was much longer than the live version because without the piano and flute interludes the song would have become rather boring.

All files can be downloaded from my Home Page: https://bernd-harmsen.com (look under "Songbook"), the PDF files can also be found on the Internet Archive.

Most of the accompanying music (and more) are also on a **YouTube** Playlist: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLx2122zl99u34e2S1ve85hXESurN7wIIG

Bernd Harmsen, April 2025

Bernd's Songbook

Content:

Bellie

by the seven seas

Cassandra

close your eyes

cold as the mountains

don't be late

doomsday morn

Europa

farewell

Ganymede

Gilgamesh

glad that you're here

here's to all things living

I'm leaving

Joy

leaving traces

means so much

Mr. D., I won't dance with you today

no more

pardon me, Melanie

peaceful times

people live, people die

shall I live

Siddhartha

silence is all

Spartacus

spring

summer night

Vanity

All songs (words and music) are written by me, except "farewell" (music by Martin Götz)

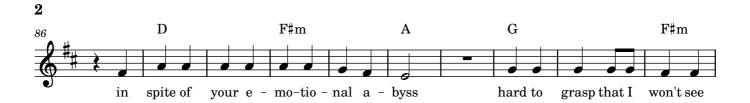
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Should you perform my songs publicly don't forget to hand in the set list.

You find their data on the ISWC network, my IP creator number is 00673391327

Bellie











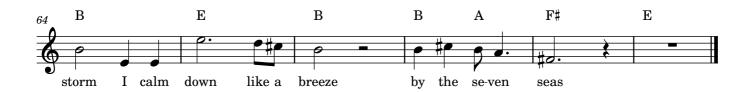




by the seven seas

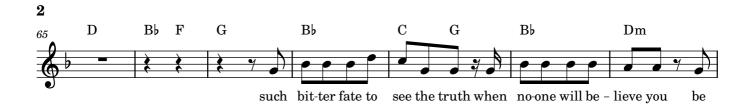






Cassandra



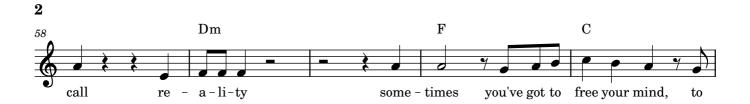






close your eyes

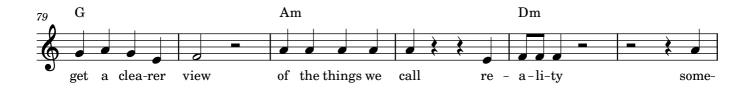




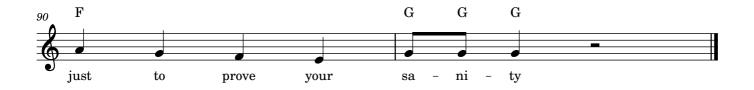












cold as the mountains

Bernd Harmsen



needs an ex-cuse she's as mean as a li-ar









sharp as a gamb-ler who wins with-out fight calm as the hun-ter when he's ta-king aim she's as



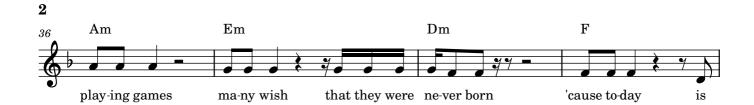
don't be late





doomsday morn











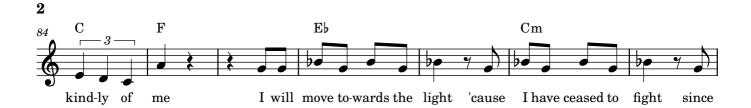
Europa





farewell

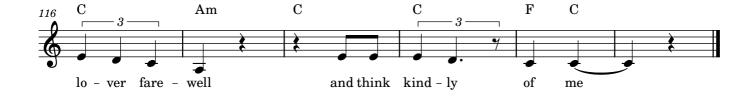












Ganymede





Gilgamesh

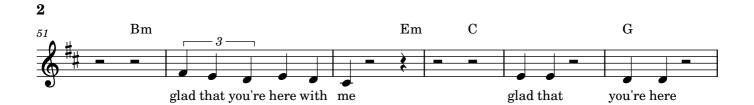






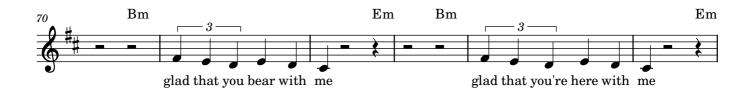
glad that you're here













here's to all things living

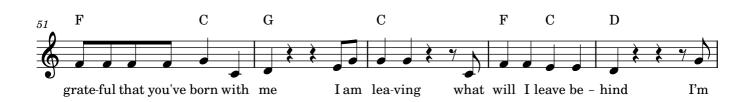


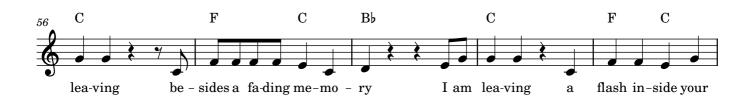
I'm leaving









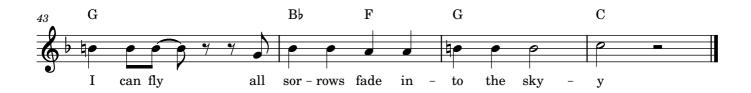












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no more

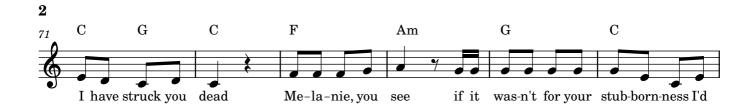






pardon me, Melanie



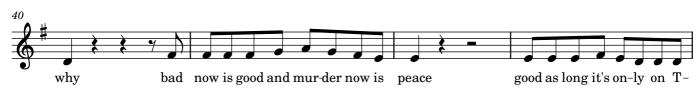




peaceful times









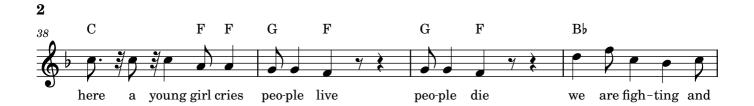




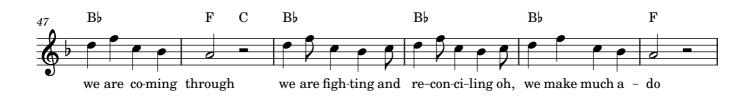


people live, people die







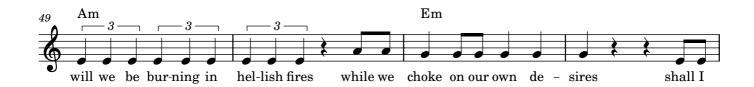




shall I live







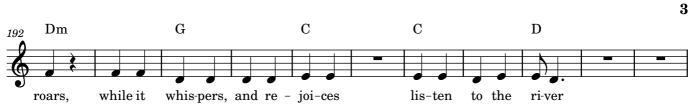


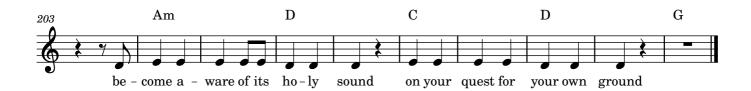


Siddhartha



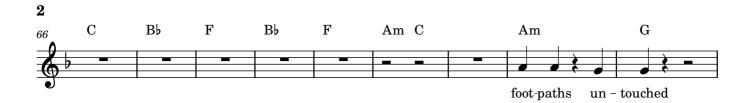






silence is all



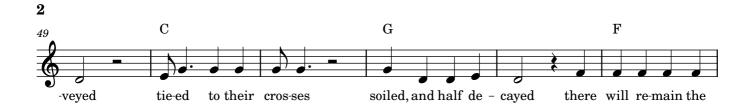






Spartacus



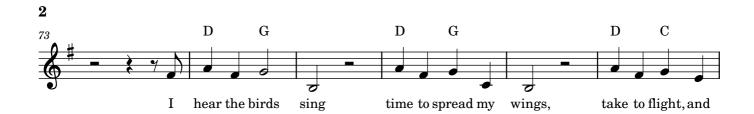






spring







summer night











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