

CA' HAWKIE

This song is about a cow that will not cross the water to be milked. There is an extra verse printed here which is not sung on the CD. This shows a parallel between the stubborn cow and the young women who have reached marrying age and who may wish to resist the best efforts of their suitors!

Chorus

Ca' Hawkie, Ca' Hawkie, Ca' Hawkie through the water

Hawkie is a sweir beast and Hawkie winna wade the water

1. Hawkie is a bonny cow. Though she's loth to wade the water.

While she waits the wark'll stand.
So Ca' Hawkie through the water.

Chorus

2. Hawkie is a pretty cow. All the children they do love her.

For she gives them all the milk.
There is none they prize before her.

Chorus

3. Girls be not too nice and coy
If your sweetheart wants to marry

Ne'er say nay but quick comply
As 'tis hazardous to tarry.

Chorus

4. Now, young maids my counsel
take. Since it can be no better

Cast off both your hose and shoon
and safely drive her through the water.

Ca' Hawkie

D A D A D A D A

Ca' Haw-kie Ca' Haw - kie Ca' Haw - kie thru the watt - er Hawkie is a sweirbeast And Haw - kie winna wade the watt - er

D A D A D A B_m A

Haw - kie is a bon - ny coo, Though she's loth to wade the watt - er Whileshe waits the work - 'll stand so ca' - Haw - kie through the watt - er

