

AULD LANG SYNE

No Hogmanay in Scotland is complete without a rendition of Auld Lang Syne! Written by Robert Burns in 1788, this world-famous song is an ode to friendship, fond farewells and new beginnings. It is usually sung after the stroke of midnight on Hogmanay, with revellers crossing their arms to shake hands with the people on either side as they sing.

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
and never brought to mind?

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
and auld lang syne?

CHORUS

For auld lang syne, my dear,
for auld lang syne,
we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
for auld lang syne.

And surely ye'll be your pint-stowp!
and surely I'll be mine!

And we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
for auld lang syne.

We twa hae run about the braes,
and pu'd the gowans fine;
But we've wander'd mony a weary fit,
sin auld lang syne.

CHORUS

We twa hae paidl'd i' the burn,
frae morning sun till dine;
But seas between us braid hae roar'd
sin auld lang syne.

CHORUS

And there's a hand, my trusty fiere!
and gie's a hand o' thine!
And we'll tak a right gude-willy
waught,
for auld lang syne.

CHORUS