

Cruising Down The River

Cruising Down the River is a 1949 popular recording song. Words and music were by Eily Beadell and Nell Tollerton, two middle-aged women who wrote the song in 1945. It became the winner of a public songwriting competition held in the UK.

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Eily Beadell and Nell Tollerton (UK)

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is presented on a single staff with lyrics underneath. Chords are indicated by letters above the staff. The piece consists of 64 measures.

Measures 1-9: Cruising down the riv-er on a Sun-day af-ter - noon. With one you

Measures 10-19: love, the sun a - bove, waiting for the moon. The old ac-cordian playing

Measures 20-28: a sen-ti-men-tal tune. Cruis-ing down the riv-er on a

Measures 29-37: Sun-day af-ter - noon. The birds a-bove all sing of love, a gen-tle

Measures 38-46: sweet re - frain. The winds a-round all make a sound like soft-ly fall-ing

Measures 47-55: rain. Just two of us to-geth-er, we'll plan a hon-ey - moon.

Measures 56-64: Cruis-ing down the riv-er on a Sun-day af-ter - noon.

Playing Notes: None.

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Cruising down the river
on a Sunday afternoon.
With one you love, the sun above,
waiting for the moon.
The old accordian playing
a sentimental tune.
Cruising down the river
on a Sunday afternoon.
The birds above all sing of love,
a gentle sweet refrain.
The winds around all make a sound
like softly falling rain.
Just two of us together,
we'll plan a honeymoon.
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on a Sunday afternoon.

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