

Turkey in the Straw

Reel

(Trad. (various) - FF Version)

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(AKA: *Old Zip Coon, Natchez Under the Hill, The Old Bog Hole*)

Playing Notes: Mandolin

Part of the *Chicken set* (*Chicken Reel / Turkey In The Straw / Arkansas Traveller*).

The Fiddler's Companion has thoughts on the origins of the tune - it seems to have roots in a variety of older Scottish, Irish and English tunes. Nevertheless, the tune itself is very much an American one - and is associated with 19th Century USA rural life, through its popularity and use by popular theater and minstrel groups, notably 'blackface' performers.

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