

God Save the Queen

British national anthem
Standard version

God save our gracious Queen,
long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen:
send her victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store,
on her be pleased to pour;
long may she reign:
may she defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice
God save the Queen.

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- 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
 who abide in his shadow for life,
 say to the Lord:
 ‘My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!’

*And he will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
 bear you on the breath of dawn,
 make you to shine like the sun,
 and hold you in the palm of his hand.*

- 2 The snare of the fowler will never
 capture you,
 and famine will bring you no fear:
 under his wings your refuge
 his faithfulness your shield.
- 3 You need not fear the terror of the night,
 nor the arrow that flies by day;
 though thousands fall about you,
 near you it shall not come.
- 4 For to his angels he’s given a command
 to guard you in all of your ways;
 upon their hands they will bear you up,
 lest you dash your foot against a stone.

*And he will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
 bear you on the breath of dawn,
 make you to shine like the sun,
 and hold you in the palm of his hand.
 And hold you, hold you in the palm of his
 hand.*

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- 1 God save our gracious Queen,
 long live our noble Queen,
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 Send her victorious,
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1. God save our grac- ious Queen, long live our no- ble Queen,

Musical notation for the first system of the song. It consists of a grand staff with a treble clef on the upper staff and a bass clef on the lower staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The first system covers the first four measures of the first line of lyrics.

God save our Queen. Send her vic- tor- i- ous, hap- py and

Musical notation for the second system of the song. It consists of a grand staff with a treble clef on the upper staff and a bass clef on the lower staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The second system covers the second and third lines of lyrics.

glo- ri- ous, long to reign o- ver us: God save the Queen.

Musical notation for the third system of the song. It consists of a grand staff with a treble clef on the upper staff and a bass clef on the lower staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The third system covers the fourth line and the end of the first line of lyrics.

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