

# The twelve days of Christmas

t. 18e eeuw  
m. Frederic Austin\* (1872-1953)

1. On the first day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me a par - tridge in a pear tree.

2. On the second day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me [2]  
3. third  
4. fourth

two tur - tle doves and a par - tridge in a pear tree. ↑ (third day)

Three French hens, two tur - tle doves and a par - tridge in a pear tree. ↑ (fourth day)

four call - ing birds,  
three French hens, two tur - tle doves and a par - tridge in a pear

tree. On the fifth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me

five gold rings, four call - ing birds, three French hens,

two tur - tle doves and a par - tridge in a pear tree.

On the sixth day of Christ - mas my true love sent to me

seventh	six geese a - lay - ing,	5
eighth	seven swans a - swim - ing,	6
ninth	eight maids a - milk - ing,	7
tenth	nine la - dies danc - ing,	8
eleventh	ten lords a - leap - ing,	9
twelfth	eleven pi - pers pi - ping,	10
	twelve drum - mers drum - ming,	11

\* De melodie maakte *Frederick Austin* in 1909 naar een Engelse traditional en de tekst verscheen voor het eerst in 1780 in een kinderboek.