

## **Mingulay Boat Song**

What care we how white the spray is?  
What care we for the wind or weather?  
Heel ya ho, boys, every inch is  
Bearin' homeward to Mingulay.

### **Chorus**

**Heel ya ho, boys, let her go boys**  
**Heave her head 'round into the weather**  
**Heel ya ho, boys, let her go boys**  
**Sailin' homeward to Mingulay**

Set your eyes on the sun arisin'  
Gulls and doves fill the sky with feather  
Cut her loose, boys, for the horizon  
We'll be home soon in Mingulay

### **Chorus**

Wives are waitin' on the bank or  
Lookin' seaward from the heather  
Turn around, boys, and we'll anchor  
'Ere the sun sets on Mingulay

### **Chorus**

Wives are waitin', anticipatin'  
For the end of our adventures  
Don't ya cry, girls, we're returnin'  
To the shores of Mingulay

### **Chorus**

Ships return now, heavy laden  
Mothers holdin' bairns a'cryin'  
They'll return, though, 'ere the sun sets,  
They'll return to Mingulay.

### **Chorus**