

# WONDERLAND SUITE

## Song Lyrics

Text adapted from Lewis Carroll

Music by Paul Rissmann



### 1. The Golden Afternoon (orchestra only)

### 2. The White Rabbit

Oh dear! - Oh dear! - I shall be too late.  
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Oh - - - the Duchess, the Duchess!  
Won't - - - she be savage.

Oh dear! - Oh dear! - I shall be too late.

The Duchess, the Duchess! Oh my dear paws.  
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Oh my fur and whiskers, she'll have me executed.

Oh - - - the Duchess, the Duchess!  
Won't - - - she be savage.

Oh dear! - Oh dear! - I shall be too late.

As sure as ferrets are ferrets.  
As sure as ferrets are ferrets.  
As sure as ferrets are ferrets.  
As sure as ferrets are ferrets - I'm late!



### 3. Down the Rabbit-Hole

Well! After such a fall as this I shall think nothing - of tumbling - downstairs.  
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How brave they'll all think me.  
How brave they'll all think me - at home!

*Spoken:*

Why I wouldn't say anything about it, even if I fell off the top of the house!

*Sung:*

Down, down, down.  
Down, down, down.  
Four thousand miles - underground.

Well! After such a fall as this I wonder if I - shall fall through - the earth?  
Well! After such a fall as this I wonder if I - shall fall through - the earth?

How funny it will to be,  
how funny it will to be - down there!

*Spoken:*

Is this New Zealand or Australia? How ignorant they'll think me to ask!

*Sung:*

Down, down, down.  
Down, down, down.  
Four thousand miles - underground.

Dinah - I think will miss me very much I hope they give her - a saucer - of milk.  
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I wish you were here with me.  
I wish you were here with me - Dinah!

*Spoken:*

And you might catch a bat in the air,  
and that's very like a mouse you know.

*Sung:*

Do cats eat bats?  
Do bats eat cats?  
Now tell me the truth - do cats eat bats?





#### 4. DRINK ME!

Drink me, drink me Alice, Alice.  
Come to Wonderland.

Flavours of custard and cherry tart,  
pineapple, toffee,  
roast turkey and hot buttered toast.  
Hot buttered toast.

#### 5. The Duchess

*Sung like a lullaby to a baby!*

Speak roughly to your little boy,  
and beat him when he sneezes:  
He only does it to annoy,  
Because he knows it teases.

WOW -- WOW -- WOW - wa WOW!  
WOW -- WOW -- WOW - wa WOW!

I speak severely to my boy,  
I beat him when he sneezes,  
For he can thoroughly enjoy,  
the pepper when he pleases!

WOW -- WOW -- WOW - wa WOW!  
WOW -- WOW -- WOW - Wa WOW!

*Whisper*

Pig - Pig - Pig - Pig - Pig - Pig - Pig - Pig (8 times)

*Shout*

PIG!



#### 6. The Cheshire Cat (orchestra only)

#### 7. The Hatter's Tea Party (orchestra only)



## 8. EAT ME!

Eat me, eat me Alice, Alice.  
Wander through the door.

Into a garden so beautiful, bright coloured flowers,  
cool fountains and roses so red.  
Roses so red.



## 9. The Queen of Hearts (and Finale)



*FURIOUS!*

Off with **his** head! Off with **her** head!  
Off with **his** whiskers! Off with **her** head!

Off with his head! Off with her head!  
Off with his whiskers! Off with her head!

## Orchestral Interlude - Croquet with Flamingos

### The Courtroom (*listen for the sound of the trumpet*)

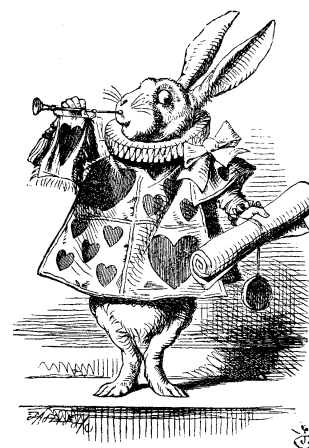
*Very solemn*

The Queen of Hearts, she made some tarts,  
all on a summer day.

The Knave of Hearts, he stole those tarts,  
and took them all away.

*FURIOUS!*

Off with his head! Off with her head! Off with his whiskers! Off with her head!



## Orchestral Interlude - Alice starts to grow!

### Return to the Riverbank

*Very softly*

Wake up, dear, dear Alice, Alice,  
from your curious dream.

Share your adventures in Wonderland, tell of new creatures,  
and friendly chat with bird and beast.  
Could it be true?

Believe it true.