

The Pipe Major

Musical score for "The Pipe Major" in A Major, 4/4 time. The score consists of four staves of music. The first staff is labeled 'A' and contains the first 8 measures. The second staff is labeled 'B' and contains the first 8 measures of the second section, with a first ending bracket over measures 1-4 and a second ending bracket over measures 5-8. The third staff contains the first 8 measures of the first section, with a first ending bracket over measures 1-4 and a second ending bracket over measures 5-8. The fourth staff contains the first 8 measures of the second section, with a first ending bracket over measures 1-4 and a second ending bracket over measures 5-8. Chord symbols A, Bm, and D are placed above the notes. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#).

"The Pipe Major" is a Scottish pipe march in 4/4 time and A Major. The parts are played AABB.

It was composed by Scots fiddler-composer J. Scott Skinner (1843-1927).

The Traditional Tune Archive states that it was composed in honor of Donald Macpherson, but Donald Macpherson was born only 5 years before J. Scott Skinner's death. A more likely candidate is John MacDonald (born 1865) who was pipe major of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders.

It was printed in Skinner's **Harp and Claymore** (1904).