

Bellman's Jig

The musical score for "Bellman's Jig" is written in G Major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a boxed letter 'A' above a repeat sign. The second staff features a first ending bracket. The third staff has a boxed letter 'B' above a second ending bracket. The fourth and fifth staves continue the melody with various chords and repeat signs.

Chords indicated in the score: G, D7, G, Am, D7, G, C, G, Am, Em, D7.

"Bellman's Jig" is a Swedish air or jig in G Major. The parts are played AABB.

This 6/8 air is the composition of Swedish composer Karl Michel Bellman (1740-1795), a noted writer of tunes and songs, whose patron was King Gustav III.

Since its appearance in Ralph Sweet's **Fifer's Delight** it has gained some currency as a jig for contra or English country dancing in New England.

It was printed in Sweet's **Fifer's Delight** (1964) and appears on the San Diego Contra Dance website (<https://sandiegocontra.org/sheet-music/BellmansJig.pdf>).