

Green Willis

Part A

D A7

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1 2 Part B
D

G A7 D G

A7 1 D 2 D

This tune is also known as "The Raw Recruit", "Green Willis the Raw Recruit", "Old Hickory", "Noddin' Boy", "Chapel Hill Serenade" and "Jackson's March".

Green Willis was a 19th century fiddler from the Galax, Virginia, area whose name became associated with the tune.

It is known in Great Britain as "The New Rigged Ship".

While "Green Willis" is played in 4/4 time both "The Raw Recruit" and "The New Rigged Ship" are played in 6/8 time.

It was printed in Brody's **Fiddler's Fakebook** (1983), Phillips' **Traditional American Fiddle Tunes, vol. 1** (1994), Silberberg's **Tunes I Learned at Tractor Tavern** (2002) and Welling's **Welling's Hartford Tunebook** (1976).

It has been recorded by Howard Bursen, Bob Carlin, Henry Sapoznik and the Fuzzy Mountain String Band.

I play this tune in medleys with:

- "Boys of Blue Hill" and
- "John Ryan's Polka" in the Celtic section
- "Come Dance and Sing",
- "Sheffield Hornpipe" and
- "Soldier's Joy" in the tunes section