

Pays de Haut

The musical score for "Pays de Haut" is written in D Major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The first staff is marked with a boxed 'A' and contains a repeat sign. The second staff ends with a boxed 'B'. The third staff features a first ending bracket over the first two measures and a second ending bracket over the next two measures. The fourth staff ends with a boxed 'B'. The fifth staff features a first ending bracket over the first two measures and a second ending bracket over the next two measures. The sixth staff features a first ending bracket over the first two measures and a second ending bracket over the next two measures. Chord symbols D, G, and A7 are placed above the notes. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4.

"*Pays de Haut*", also known as "The Winnipeg" or "The Winnipeg Reel" is a French-Canadian and New England reel in D Major. The parts are played AABB.

The title translates as "high country" or "upper country" and refers to the watershed territories of the Great Lakes (excluding Lake Ontario), but including part of what would later be United States territory. This was called Upper Canada, as opposed to the eastern administrative region of Lower Canada.

Montreal cab driver and violin virtuoso Jean Carignan recorded the tune in 1960 as "Winnipeg Reel"; the tune's provenance is identified as "Western Canada" in the notes to the tunes.

It was printed in Laufman's *Okay, Let's Try a Contra* (1973), Miller & Perron's *New England Fiddler's Repertoire* (1983), Songer's *Portland Collection* (1997), *150 Canadian Fiddle Tunes* (2000) (as "Winnipeg Reel").

It was recorded by Jean Carignan on *Old Time Fiddle Tunes Played by Jean Carignan* (1960) (as "Winnipeg Reel"), Old Grey Goose on *Maine Country Dance Music and Song* (1980), Bill Spence & Fennigs All Star Band on *The Hammered Dulcimer Returns*, Andy Dejarlis on *Andy's Centennial Album* (1967) (as "Winnipeg Reel") and Bob Carlin on *Fiddle Tunes for Clawhammer Banjo* (1980).