

Yellow Cat

The musical score for "Yellow Cat" is written in 4/4 time and D Major. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff is marked with a boxed 'A' and has chords D, A7, G, D, G, A7. The second staff has chords D, A7, G, D, A7 and a first ending bracket over the final measure. The third staff is marked with a boxed 'B' and has chords D, D, A7, D, with a second ending bracket over the first two measures. The fourth staff has two first and second endings, both with chords A7, D.

"Yellow Cat" is an American reel in 4/4 time in D Major. It is usually played in ADae fiddle tuning. The parts are played AABB.

Samuel Bayard in **Dance to the Fiddle** (1981) thought this tune was similar to his generically named "Square Dance" (#90, p. 55).

Thede provided these lyrics in **The Fiddle Book** (1967):

The yellow cat jumped
And he jumped on the wall.
The black cat jumped
And he couldn't jump a tall.

It was printed in Phillips' **Traditional American Fiddle Tunes, vol. 1** (1994) and Thede's **The Fiddle Book** (1967).