

# Home Sweet Home Schottische

Sir Henry Rowley Bishop (1787-1856)



*Rhythm: Schottische*

*Book: J Meredith, R Covell & P Brown, Folk Songs of Australia Vol 2, UNSW Press, 1987, p265*

*Source: collected from Arthur Foster, Killarney Vale, NSW*

*John Meredith collection, NLA Bib ID 645243*

*Notes: The tune was originally composed as a waltz by Henry Bishop in 1823.*

*History: "Collecting from Arthur Foster was akin to watching a magician pulling rabbits out of a hat. Almost every other item was a surprise. When he announced 'Home Sweet Home' I expected the usual mournful rendition, but instead he played an arrangement that must have poor Sir Henry Bishop spinning in his grave. 'Home Sweet Home' arranged by bushman Alec Broad is as a lively schottische. Never before had I realised that the old tune contained passages that sounded like 'Waltzing' Matilda' and others like excerpts from 'The Drovers dream'".*  
*John Meredith, FSA vol 2, p264*