

Joe Yates Polka

Australia, NSW, Sofala

The musical score for "Joe Yates Polka" is written in G major and 2/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a double bar line and repeat sign, followed by a sequence of eighth notes and quarter notes. Above the staff are the chords D7, G, D7, G, D7, G, D7, and G. The second staff continues the melody with similar rhythmic patterns, with chords G, C, D7, G, C, D7, and G above it. The third staff features a more complex rhythmic pattern with chords D, A7, D, A7, and D. The fourth staff concludes the piece with chords G, D7, G, D7, and G. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat sign.

Rhythm: Polka

Book: J Meredith, R Covell, & P Brown, *Folk Songs of Australia Vol 2*, UNSW Press, 1987, p191, ISBN 0 86840 018

Source: collected from Joe Yates, Sofala, NSW

John Meredith Collection, NLA

History: This tune is very similar to Alan Musgrove's version of

"The Old Woman From France", which appears in this series at No 36, 2009.