

# I Saw Three Ships

*trad.*

♩=160

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one flat) and 6/8 time. The tempo is marked as ♩=160. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: Ab, Eb, Ab, Eb, Ab, Eb, Ab, Eb, Ab. The lyrics are: "I saw three ships come sail - ing in, On Christ - mas Day, on Christ - mas Day, I saw three ships come sail - ing in, On Christ - mas Day in the morn - ing." The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

2. And what was in those ships all three?
3. Our Saviour Christ and his la-dy.
4. Pray, whither sailed those ships all three?
5. O, they sailed into Bethlehem.
6. And all the bells on earth shall ring,
7. And all the angels in heaven shall sing,
8. And all the souls on earth shall sing,
9. Then let us all rejoice amain!