

Tha 'n Tombaca Daor

Tobacco Is Dear

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The first system has three measures, each with a Cm chord above it. The second system has four measures, with Bb, Gm, and Cm chords above the first three measures. The third system has four measures, with Cm, Gm, Bb, and Gm chords above the first four measures. The lyrics are in Gaelic and English, with the English translation provided below the score.

O tha 'n tom-ba-ca da-or O tha 'n tom-ba-ca gin-idh O tha 'n tom-ba-ca da-or

B'fhèarr leam gu robh e tuill-eadh Gin-idh air a h-uile punnd

Punnd air a h-uile gin-idh Tha e gin-idh air a' phunnd Ag-us punnd air a' ghinidh

O tha 'n tombaca daor
O an tabacca daor
 O tha 'n tombaca ginidh
O an tabacca ginn-ee
 O tha 'n tombaca daor
O an tabacca daor
 B'fhèarr leam gu robh e tuilleadh
Byee-ar lom goo ro e tool-ay

Ginidh air a h-uile punnd
Ginn-ee air a hool-e poont
 Punnd air a h-uile ginidh
Poont air a hool-e ginn-ee
 Tha e ginidh air a phunnd
Ha e ginn-ee air a foont
 Agus punnd air a' ghinidh
Ag-us poont air a ginn-ee

Tobacco is dear,
 Tobacco is a is a guinea,
 Tobacco is dear,
 I would prefer it to be more!
 A guinea for a whole pound,
 A pound for a whole guinea,
 It is a guinea for the pound,
 And a pound for the guinea.