

BILL JINKS

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Bill Jinks was written by Alex Hood for his 1971 Australian folk opera "The Wallaby Track", a musical production that children could perform.



Verse 1: G C
There's a sailor bold on the Murray-O
 G D7 G
Who's sailed the world around.
 G C
He's the captain of the riverboat Jane
 D7 G
No better could be found.

Chorus: G
And the motor goes chug, cugga , chugga, chug, chug
 C D7
As it sings a riverboat song
 D C Bm Am
The gum trees sigh as the Jane goes by
 G D7 G
And the paddle wheels push her along

Verse 2: Bill Jinks has a beard as white as snow
 And a captain's hat on his head
 His mate steers the boat while Bill has a rest
 In a hammock for his bed.

Verse 3: As the Jane goes by Bill fishes for eels
 Because they're his favourite dish
 To have eels for breakfast, lunch and dinner
 Is the Captain's dearest wish

Verse 4: If you're going his way Bill will take you aboard
 And give you a marvellous ride
 Past river gums, creeks and billabongs
 You'll see all the countryside.