

Oh, watch the stars

Soprano or alto solo, SATB, piano

Traditional African American from the Carolina Sea Islands
Arr. Sheena Phillips (based on the singing of Peggy Seeger)

duration c. 2m30

perusal score

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Oh, Watch the Stars

Oh watch the stars, see how they run
Oh watch the stars, see how they run
The stars run down at the settin' of the sun
Oh watch the stars, see how they run

Oh watch the moon, see how it shine
Oh watch the moon, see how it shine
The moon goin' a shine at the settin' of the sun
Oh watch the moon, see how it shine

Oh watch the wind, see how it blow
Oh watch the wind, see how it blow
The wind come up at the settin' of the sun
Oh watch the wind, see how it blow

Oh watch the stars, see how they run
Oh watch the stars, see how they run
The stars run down at the settin' of the sun
Oh watch the stars, see how they run

Traditional African American (Carolina Sea Islands), after Peggy Seeger

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pPSrGdugoxs>

Oh, Watch The Stars

traditional

SATB, solo soprano, piano

St Helena Island spiritual
(tune as sung by Peggy Seeger)

arr. Sheena Phillips

Moderato, leggiero ♩ = c.84

p

Solo

SA

TB

Piano

Con Ped.

solo

SA

TB

6

3

3

see how they run, Oh watch the stars, see how they run,

12

solo

The stars run down at the set-tin' of the sun, Oh

SA

TB

18

solo

watch the stars, see how they run. Oh

SA

TB

mf

3

A

solo watch the moon, see how it shine,

SA *mp* watch the moon,

TB

23 *mf* *p* 8^{va}

solo Watch the moon, see how it shine, The moon gon - na

SA Watch the moon, *mf* moon gon - na

TB

27 *mf* *p*

31

solo shine at the set-tin' of the sun, Oh *p*

SA shine, (m) *dim.*

TB *dim.*

31 *mf* *p*

34

solo watch the moon, see how it shine. ³

SA *p* watch the moon, *pp*

TB

34

B

mp *mf* *p* *mf*

solo Watch the wind, see how it blow, Oh watch the wind,

SA *p* ooh, *mf* *p* ooh,

TB *p* *mf* *p*

39

p *mf* *p*

dotted line: hold this note across the barline

44

solo see how it blow, The wind come up at the

SA *mf* *p* *mf* ooh,

TB *mf* *p*

44

mf *p*

48

solo *mp* *mf* *p*

set-tin' of the sun, Oh watch the wind, see how it blow.

SA *p* ooh, *mf* *p*

TB *p* *mf* *p*

48

p *p*

C

solo *p*

Oh watch the stars, see how they run,

SA *p* Ooh,

TB *p*

54

p

58

solo

Oh watch the stars, see how they run,

SA

ooh,

TB

58

62

solo

The stars run down at the set-tin' of the

SA

ooh,

TB

62

66

solo

sun, Oh watch the stars,

SA

ooh.

TB

66

69

solo

see how they run.

SA

TB

69

pp

69