

Up On The Housetop

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This mid-19th century Christmas tune is sometimes called "Up On The Rooftop" and is a product of its time.

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Up on the housetop, reindeer pause,
G D A
Out jumps good ol' Santa Claus.
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Down through the chimney with lots of toys,
G D A7 D
All for the little ones, Christmas joys!

CHORUS:

G D
Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go?
A7 D
Ho, Ho, Ho! Who wouldn't go?
D G
Up on the housetop, click, click, click!
D A7 D
Down through the chimney with good Saint Nick.

First comes the stocking of little Nell.
O, dear Santa, fill it well!
Give her a dolly that laughs and cries.
One that will open and shut her eyes.

CHORUS:

Next comes the stocking of little Bill.
Oh, just see what a glorious fill!
Here is a hammer and lots of tacks.
Also, a ball and a whip that cracks.

CHORUS: