

# Cape Cod Girls

(a.k.a. "Bound For Australia")

Words & Music:  
Traditional Sea Shanty

*Traditionally, this would be sung as an a capella call & response work song - with the shantyman singing the verses and all chiming in on the responses & choruses. So, the chords are just for singalong reference (the version I know is by the Mystic Seaport Chanteymen). The "two-haul" nature of the response line seems to indicate that this would be a long-haul or halyard shanty. But correct me if I am wrong!*

G C G  
Cape Cod girls they have no combs. Heave away! Heave away!  
G C G  
They comb their hair with codfish bones. Heave away! Heave away!

CHORUS:

G C G C G  
Heave away, my bully, bully boys! Heave away! Heave away!  
G C G C G  
Heave away & don't you make a noise, we are bound for Australia!

Cape Cod boys they have no sleds. Heave away! Heave away!  
They slide down dunes on codfish heads. Heave away! Heave away!

CHORUS:

Cape Cod doctors got no pills. Heave away! Heave away!  
They give their patients codfish gills. Heave away! Heave away!

CHORUS:

Cape Cod cats ain't got no tails. Heave away! Heave away!  
They lost them all in Cape Cod gales. Heave away! Heave away!

CHORUS:

Cape Cod moms don't bake no pies. Heave away! Heave away!  
They feed their children codfish eyes. Heave away! Heave away!

CHORUS: