

# DONNA, DONNA

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## Intro

Donna, don-na, don - na, donna. Donna, donna, don - na, don. Donna, don-na, don - na,

## Verse

don-na, don-na, don-na, don - na, don. On a wa - gon bound for mar - ket,  
Stop com - plai - ning, said the far - mer,  
Calves are ea - si - ly bound and slaughtered

There's a calf with a mourn-ful eye. High a - bove him, there's a swal - low  
Who told you a calf to be? Why don't you have wings to fly with  
ne - ver know - ing the - rea - son why. - But who - e - ver trea - sures free - dom

## Chorus

winging swift - ly thru the sky. How the winds are laugh-ing, they  
like the swal - low so proud and free?  
like the swal - low has learned to fly.

laugh with all their might. Laugh and laugh the whole day thru and half the summer's night.

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