

EXETER WASSAIL, 2021

Arranged in 2018/19 by Emma Welton from music by Tim Hill.
Original lyrics by James Crowden adapted by Emma Welton, James Banyard, Anne-Marie Culhane & Jo Salter. Exeter Wassail commissioned by Anne-Marie Culhane for Singing For Trees, 2015.

1. Wassail wassail the apple tree X4
Come young and old, and brave and bold
To light the dark and chase the cold
The orchard knows a thing or two x2
2. Wassail wassail the apple tree x4
The Exe flows by from Moor to sea
From mill to weir with orchard lea
The orchard knows a thing or two x2
3. Wassail wassail the apple tree X4
Our trees they come from far and near
Feeding the bees for many a year
The orchard knows a thing or two x2
4. Wassail wassail the apple tree x4
Seasons askew, the patterns change
Drought and deluge, sunshine and rain
The orchard knows a thing or two x2
5. Wassail wassail the apple tree X4
For cherry and quince we all will care
Mulberry, medlar, almond and pear
The orchard knows a thing or two x2 (or more...)