

# O Sweet woods, the delight of solitariness

#10 from The Second Book of Songs or Ayres

John Dowland

Cantus  
O Sweet woods, the de-light of so-li-ta-ri-ness, O how

Altus  
O Sweet woods, the de-light of so-li-ta-ri-ness, O how

Tenor  
8 O Sweet woods, the de-light of so-li-ta-ri-ness, O how much

Bassus  
O how much do I

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much do I love your so-li-ta-ri-ness. *Fine* From fame's de-sire, from  
Ex-per-ience which re-  
You men that give false  
You woods, in you the

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love's de - light re - tired, In these sad groves an  
 - pen-tance on - ly brings, Doth bid me now my  
 wor - ship un - to Love, And seek that which you  
 fair - est Nymphs have walked, Nymphs at whose sight all

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 - pen-tance on - ly brings, Doth bid me now my heart  
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Her - mit's life I led, And those false  
 heart from love es - trange, Love is dis-  
 ne - ver shall ob - tain, The end - less  
 hearts did yield to Love, You woods in

- mit's life I led, I led, And those, and those  
 from love es - trange, es - trange, Love is, Love is dis-  
 - ver shall ob - tain, ob - tain, The end - less, end - less  
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plea - sures which I once ad - mired, With sad re - mem -  
 - dained when it doth look at Kings, And love, lo, pla -  
 work of Si - sy - phus you pro - cure, Whose end is this:  
 whom dear lo - vers oft have talked, How do you now

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- brance of my fall, my fall I dread, To  
 - ced base and apt, and apt to change: Their  
 to know you strive, you strive in vain, Hope  
 a place of mourn - ing, mourn - ing prove, Wan -

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birds, to trees, to earth, im part I this, For  
power doth take from him his li - ber - ty, Her  
and de - sire which now your I - dols be, Your  
- stead, My Mis - tress' faith, this is the doom, Thou

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she less sec - ret, and as sense - less is. **1.**  
want of worth make him in cra - dle die.  
needs must loose and feel des - pair with me.  
art love's Child - bed, Nur - ser - y and Tomb.

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To is.  
 Their die.  
 Hope me.  
 Wan- Tomb.

To birds is.  
 Their power die.  
 Hope and me.  
 Wan - stead Tomb.

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 Their power die.  
 Hope and me.  
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