


# Home For The Holidays

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Oh, there's no place like home for the holidays 'Cause no matter

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friendly gaze For the holidays you can't beat home sweet home!

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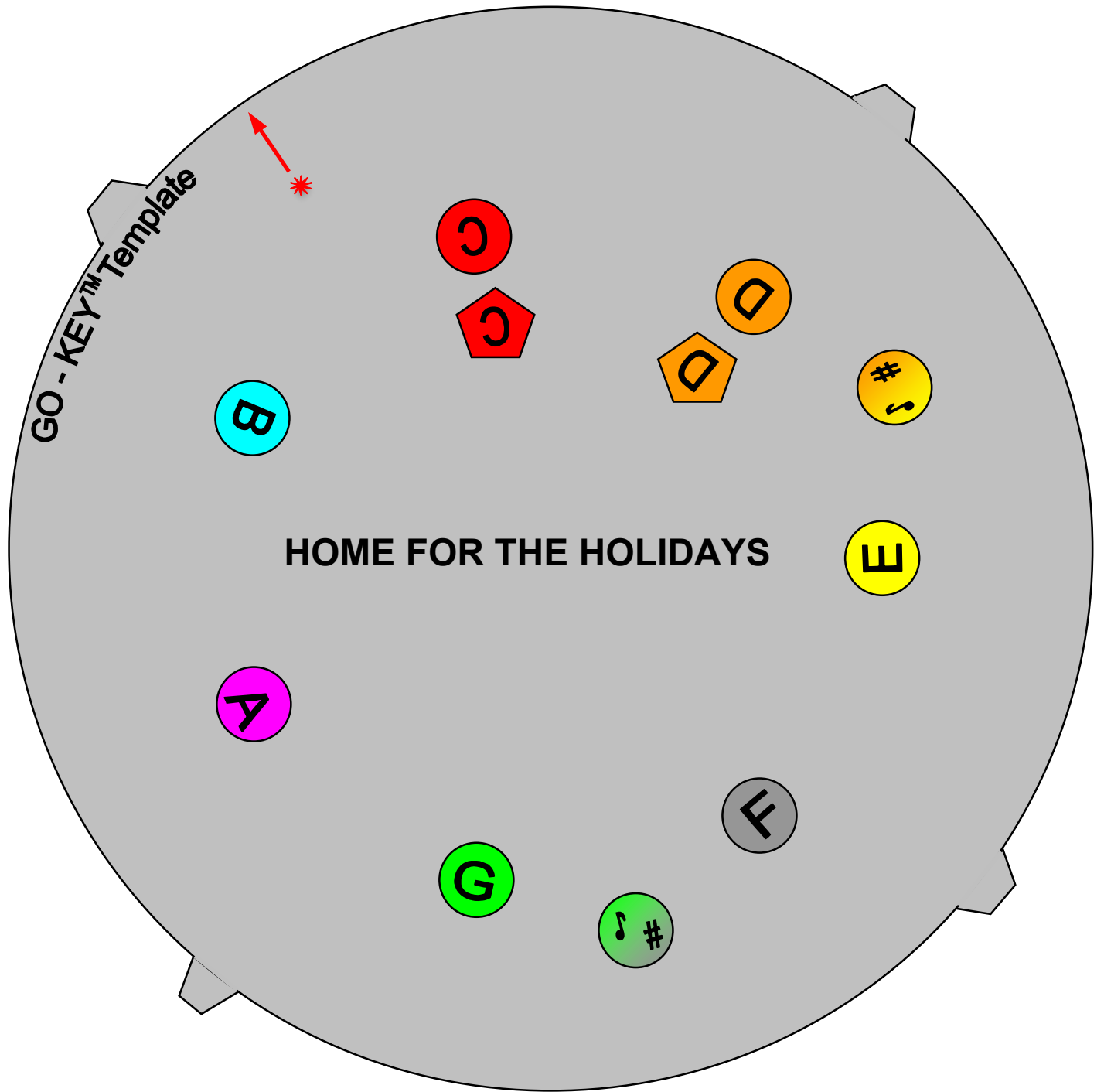
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## Lyrics

Oh, there's no place like home for the holidays  
'Cause no matter how far away you roam  
When you pine for the sunshine of a friendly gaze  
For the holidays you can't beat home sweet home!

I met a man who lives in Tennessee, and he was headin' for  
Pennsylvania and some homemade pumpkin pie  
From Pennsylvania folks are travellin'  
Down to Dixie's sunny shore  
From Atlantic to Pacific  
Gee the traffic is terrific!

Oh, there's no place like home for the holidays  
'Cause no matter how far away you roam  
If you want to be happy in a million ways  
For the holidays you can't beat home sweet home!



## History and Origin

"(There's No Place Like) **Home for the Holidays**" is a popular song, commonly associated with the Christmas and holiday season. The music was composed by Robert Allen, while the lyrics were written by Al Stillman. The song was published in 1954. The best-known recordings were made by Perry Como, who recorded the song twice. The first recording, done on November 16, 1954, was released as a single for Christmas, 1954, by RCA Victor. "Home for the Holidays" reached No. 8 on the Billboard magazine chart in the United States. The next Christmas it was released again, with "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen" as the flip side. The same recorded version was released in the United Kingdom by HMV, with the flip side "Tina Marie". This recording has appeared on many compilation albums over the years and remains a Christmas radio regular.

Como's second recording of the song, in stereo and with a different musical arrangement, was made on July 15, 1959. It was released as a 33 rpm single, with flip side "Winter Wonderland" in the U.S., and as a 45 rpm single by HMV in the UK. This 1959 version was also included on the album *Season's Greetings from Perry Como* and has appeared on many compilations, as well as being played on some radio stations during the holidays.

### Other versions

Perhaps the most iconic version of the song, other than the original Perry Como version, is the Carpenters' recording on their 1984 LP release, *An Old Fashioned Christmas*.

In January 2000, a Garth Brooks version, from *Garth Brooks and the Magic of Christmas*, reached No. 63 on Billboard's Hot Country Singles & Tracks chart.

On November 30, 2011, T-Mobile announced a surprise event at the Woodfield Mall. On December 1, 2011, Alfonso Gomez-Rejon directed about six surprise singing and dancing mall performances of "Home for the Holidays" by Carly Foulkes and 100 Chicago-area women in magenta dresses. The performances were later edited into a music video with the hope that it would go viral. The full video that was posted on YouTube has a run time of 3:48 and it was presented in a 60-second national television commercial starting on December 12.

The song was also remade as a duet between Cyndi Lauper and Norah Jones during 2011 for an exclusive iTunes Store release. The single was available to download on November 1 and did well on the Billboard Adult Contemporary chart, peaking at No. 12 and at No. 22 on the Adult Contemporary Radio Airplay Chart in the U.S.