

## The Twelve SCA Days of Christmas

### Twelve Days of Christmas:

On the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of Christmas My True Love Gave to Me:  
Twelve drummers drumming  
Eleven pipers piping  
Ten lords a-leaping  
Nine ladies dancing  
Eight maids a-milking  
Seven swans a-swimming  
Six geese a-laying  
Five golden rings  
Four calling birds  
Three French hens  
Two turtle doves,  
And a partridge in a pear tree

### ***My SCA Version with one singer, and one commentator***

On the Twelfth Day of Christmas my True Love sent to me:

12 Drummers drumming	(chant: doum tek-a doum tek-a)
11 Pipers piping	(hum: 1 <sup>st</sup> line of Scotland the Brave, while holding nose)
10 Lords a Leaping	(spoken: parry, thrust, parry, thrust)
9 Ladies dancing	(hum: bars of Maltese Bransle)
8 Maids a Filking	(repeat line with: like this song)
7 Swans a swimming	(repeat line with: in a sauce with powdre douce)
6 Girls a Playing	(sing: Now is the Month of Maying)
5 Golden Chains	(spoken: even a Knight can remember THIS line)
4 Calling Birds	(spoken: Oyez, Oyez, all birds!)
3 French Hens	(spoken: Mon liege Louis, ce coup etait douce- your blow, eet ees light)
2 Leather Gloves	(spoken: with Elizabethan blackwork)
And a Partridge in a Pear Tree	(spoken: vert, a pear tree proper, semi of pears or, in chief a bird, brown)