

## Follow the Heron - Karine Polwart

**Drop D optional / Suggested capo: 2**

G /F# Em C  
The back of the winter is bro - ken  
Am7 D G  
And light lingers long by the door  
G /F# Em C  
The seeds of the summer have spo - ken  
Am7 D G  
In gowans that bloom on the shore

D G C  
**By night and day, we'll sport and we'll play**  
G/B C G/B D  
**And delight as the dawn dances over the bay**  
G /F# Em C  
**Sleep blows the breath of the morning away**  
Am7 D G  
**And we follow the heron home**

In darkness we cradled our sorrow  
And stoked all our fires with fear  
Now these bones that lie empty and hollow  
Are ready for gladness to cheer

Long may you sing of the salmon  
And the snow-scented sands of your home  
While the north wind delivers its sermon  
Of ice and salt water and stone

### **Form:**

**Intro (8 bars)**

Verse 1, Chorus

**Short instrumental (8 bars, typically same as intro)**

Verse 2, Chorus

**Instrumental (chord/melody, as written)**

Verse 3, Chorus

**Outro (8 bars)**