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Key: G

Based on the playing of  
Rattle on the Stovepipe

# Short Jacket and White Trousers

Tab by Kasey Jessop

## Intro/Solo

Handwritten guitar tablature for the Intro/Solo section. The piece is in 2/4 time and G major. The intro consists of 12 measures across six staves. Chords C, G, and D are indicated. Fingerings and techniques like 's' (slide), 'h' (hammer-on), 'p' (palm mute), and 'N' (natural) are noted. The piece ends with a 'Short' instruction.

A series of empty guitar staves for the main body of the song.

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## Vocal backup

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 for to seek her own true love in North Ame - ri -  
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## Short Jacket and White Trousers – Lyrics

Short jacket and white trousers.  
The young maid she put on  
Like a jolly sailor boy  
Went rambling through the town  
She did sign with old Captain Blair  
A sailor for to be  
All for to seek her own true love  
In North Americee

One night, as she sat drowsing  
Ready for her bed  
The captain he beside said  
"I wish you was a maid"  
For your cherry cheeks and your ruby lips  
Well they're quite beguiling me  
By God, I wished with all me heart  
It could my sweetheart be

O' hold your tongue dear Captain,  
You know such talks in vain  
For if our comrades came to know  
They would make sport and game  
But when we reach Virginia shore  
Some pretty girls we'll find  
To ramble along with us old lads  
They'll be pleasing to our mind

We'll boldly be respected  
When we reach that Virginia shore  
We'll laugh and dance and merry be  
And make those taverns roar  
There's none so free as a sailor lad  
Wherever he comes or goes  
So let's head for old Virginny  
Where the good tobacco grows

It was just a few days after  
We reached that Virginia shore  
And the maid put on her petticoats  
Which made the captain roar  
She said "Sailor, I've been on board  
But a maid I'm going ashore"  
And you've missed your chance, dear Captain  
Farewell forevermore