

**Alba**  
**Runrig**

Runrig - Alba (Scotland)

This is one of Runrig's Gaelic songs.  
I've included a translation at the bottom for those who are interested.

Intro: **Dm, C, Dm, C**

**Dm**                      **C**  
Air sgiath a seoladh nan neoil  
**Dm**                      **C**  
S an domhain liath  
**Dm**                                      **C**  
Mar dhealbh a tighinn beo tro na sgothan  
**Dm**                                      **C**  
S mi a tilleadh gu tir

**Dm**                      **C**  
Alba nam beanntan ard  
**Dm**                                      **C**  
Nan acraichean lom  
**Dm**                                      **C**  
Thairis air na lochan mointich  
**Dm**                                      **C**  
Nan coilltean s nan gleann

**Am F C G**  
A-a-a-a-lba  
**Am F C G**  
A-a-a-a-lb

[Intro chords]

Ach se sealladh leointe is gann  
Tha an seo aig ceann thall an linn  
Talamh alainn nan daoine  
Fhathast an lamhan duine no dithis

Cuibhlean stolda mu dheas  
Na fasaichean a tuath  
An taigh-mor falamh an Dun-Eideann  
Gun chumhachd gun ghuth

[Chorus]

Sibhse chuir achadh ri achadh  
Taigh ri taigh  
Gus nach bi ait anns an tir

An gabh sibh comhnaidh air leth

Ach s math dhomh bhith seo an drasd  
A cur failt air a bhlas  
San tir a tha cho ur dhomh an diugh  
Is a bha i nuair bha mi nam phaisd

[Chorus]

Enjoy!

Translation

This flight is sailing through the clouds  
And the blue heavens  
The homeland appears like a developing photograph  
Through the mists as I return to land

I see Scotland of the high mountains  
And the empty acres  
Flying low across the moorland lochs  
The forests and the glens

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But it s a wounding and a hollow sight  
Here as we reach the end of the century  
The beautiful soil of the people  
Still in the hands of the few

I see the wheels of industry at a standstill  
And the northern lands wasted  
And the empty house in Edinburgh  
Without authority or voice

You that have laid field upon field  
House upon house  
Till there be nowhere for you to be placed alone  
In the midst of all the earth

But it is good for me to be here now  
As I welcome the warmth  
In this land that s as exciting for me today  
As it was the day I was born