

Squirrel Heads & Gravy

Composed by fiddler Chris Germain (c) 1975

DGD

1 G 2 3 4 D

5 G 6 C 7 G 8 D D

9 G 10 11 12 D

13 G 14 C 15 G 16 D G

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Composed by fiddler Chris Germain c. 1975, originally from Ferguson, Missouri, lately of Washington D.C., apparently as part of a joke. Ironically, the tune has entered tradition and is sometimes listed as a "traditional" melody. The rumor that there is an older tune by the same name only seems to be part of the joke. One story goes that Germain asked around at fiddlers gatherings and parties whether anyone had heard the 'old' tune called "Squirrel Heads and Gravy," then, a few months later started playing his composition allowing people to assume he had unearthed a long-lost piece. Germain played the tune in GDad tuning, although it has also been played in GDgd and AEae tunings.