

A Yankee Ship, And A Yankee Crew - song lyrics

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A Yankee ship, and a Yankee crew,
Tally hi ho! you know!
O'er the bright blue waves like a sea-bird flew,
Singing hey: aloft and alow!
Her sails are spread to the fairy breeze!
The spray as sparkling thrown from her prow,
Her flag is the proudest that floats on the seas,
When homeward she's steering now!

A Yankee ship, and a Yankee crew,
Tally hi ho! you know!
With hearts aboard, both gallant and true.
The same aloft and alow;
The blackening sky and the whistling wind
Foretell the approach of a gale;
And a home and its Joys flit over each.
Husbands, lovers, on deck there! a sail!
A Yankee ship, and a Yankee crew,
Tally hi ho! you know!
Distress is the word, God speed them through,
Bear a hand aloft and alow!

A Yankee ship, and a Yankee crew,
Tally hi ho! you know!
Freedom defends the land where It grew,
We're free aloft and alow!
Bearing down a ship, in regal pride.
Defiance floating at each mast-head;
She's wrecked, and the one that floats alongside,
The stars and stripes that's to victory wed;
A Yankee ship, and a Yankee crew,
Tally hi ho! you know!
Ne'er strikes to a foe, while the sky Is blue.
Or a tar aloft and alow: