

Greece

Hymn to Liberty

Nikolaos Mantzaros 1865

♩ = 76



Verse 1

*I shall always recognise you
By the dreadful sword you hold,
As the earth, with searching vision,
You survey, with spirit bold.
'Twas the Greeks of old whose dying
Brought to birth our spirit free.
Now, with ancient valour rising,
Let us hail you, oh Liberty!*

The Hymn to Liberty is the longest Hymn in the world.

It has 158 verses.

It was written in 1823 by Dionýsios Solomós and became the national anthem in 1865, using only the first two verses.