

The Spirit of Australia

With music, dance and song the National Folk Festival brings together people from more than forty countries. Over several days, there are exciting and colourful multi-cultural performances. Items come from the many nationalities which make up our Australian society.

This Festival is an annual celebration. There is great cooperation between the various cultural groups involved and they all show great interest in each other's performances. It shows how well we can all work together to demonstrate the Spirit of Australia. This spirit is expressed in the finale song written by Mathew Perry.

FINALE

Music and lyrics by Mathew Perry

It's the Spirit of Australia
The world as one
It's the heartbeat of our nation
We've only just begun

See the colours of our costumes
Hear the rhythm in our hands
We're the wonders of the nations
The fruits of many lands

Seeing the faces of the people of the world
Hearing the voices sing their song
Seeing the dancing of the children of the world
Let's join together come along

It's the spirit of Australia
This land is great
People of the nations
Let's celebrate

See the colours of our costumes
Hear the rhythm in our hands
We're the wonders of the nations
The fruits of many lands

It's the spirit of Australia
Spirit of this land