

Wild roses by the roadside

This is similar to the song about garden roses. This one emphasises that what appear to be life's gifts and blessings often turn out otherwise.

Wild roses by the roadside,
against a hedge o green.
Wild roses by the roadside
as bonny as I've seen.

Wild roses by the roadside
wi floers o pink an white.
Wild roses by the roadside
fair fill me wi delight.

Wild roses by the roadside!
What better could ye see?
Wild roses by the roadside,
a joy tae meet the ee.

But roses by the roadside
hae dangers tae, weel hid;
for roses by the roadside may scart
an draw yer bluid.

Aye, they may stab an score ye,
for often in this life
the rose ye see afore ye
brings nocht but pain an strife!