I Care Not For These Ladies
Cantus

tune by Philip Rosseter (1568-1626)

1. I care not for these Ladies that must be woode and praide,
   Give me kind Amarillis, the wanton country maide,
2. If I love Amarillis, she gives me fruit and flowers,
   But if we love these Ladies, we must give golden showers,
3. These Ladies must have pillowes, and beds by strangers wrought,
   Give me a Bower of pillowes, of mosse and leaves unUGHT,

Nature art disdaineth, her beauty is her owne, Her when we court and
Give them gold that sell love, give me the Nut-browne lasse, Who
And fresh Amarillis, with milke and honey fed, Who

kisse, she cries for sooth let go, but when we come where comfort is she never will say no.

Bassus