

Full Score

# **Songs from Spanish Poets**

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for bass-baritone & string quartet

# I. Ballad of What the Wind Said

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**Adagio** ♩=48

Bass-Baritone

Violin I *pp*

Violin II *pp*

Viola

Violoncello *p* (sul A)

*f*

6 **accel.** . . . . **A Tempo** ♩=48

B-B. *mp*

E - ter - ni -

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla. *mp* *pp*

Vc.

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Harmonics are played where written.

12

B-B. *ty could ver-y well be on-ly a ri-ver, be a horse\_ for - got-ten and the*

Vln. I *p pp*

Vln. II *p pp*

Vla. *p pp*

Vc. *mp*

17

B-B. *coo- ing\_ of a lost dove.*

Vln. I *pp* *8va*

Vln. II *pp*

Vla. *pp* *p cresc.* *f*

Vc. *ppp* *p*

22

*f*

B-B. *f* 3

As for the man who leaves his fel-low men, the wind comes

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla. *f*

Vc. *mf*

27

*mp* *cresc.* 3

B-B. tell-ing him o - ther things, o - pen - ing his eyes to

Vln. I *p*

Vln. II *p*

Vla. *f* *p* *f*

Vc.

32 *f* 3

B-B. *f* 3

o - ther things To - day I left my fel - low men,

Vln. I *mp* *f*

Vln. II *mp* *f*

Vla. 3

Vc. *f* 3

37 *p*

B-B. *p* 3

and a - lone, in this ra - vine, be - gan to look at the

Vln. I *pp* 8va

Vln. II *pp*

Vla. *p*

Vc. *p* pizz. arco *p*

43

B-B. *p*

ri - ver and saw a horse a - lone and lis - ten'd lone - ly to the coo - ing of a

Vln. I *mf*  $\Rightarrow$  *ppp*

Vln. II *mf*  $\Rightarrow$  *ppp*

Vla.

Vc. *mp*

48

B-B.

lost dove.

Vln. I *p*

Vln. II *p*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *f*

Vc. *mf*

54 *p* *p*

B-B. *p* *p*

And then the wind came close and, like some-one in pass - ing told me:

Vln. I *ppp* *pp*

Vln. II *pp*

Vla. *pp*

Vc. *pp*

**Più mosso**

60 *f* *f* *mf* *rit. mp*

B-B. *f* *f* *mf* *rit. mp*

E - ter - ni - ty could ver - y well be on - ly a ri - ver, be a horse\_ for

**Più mosso**

Vln. I *f* *mf* *mp*

Vln. II *f* *mf* *mp* *mute*

Vla. *f* *mf* *pp* *mute* *mp*

Vc. *f* *mf* *p* *mf* *pp*

65 . . . . .

B-B. *pp* falsetto

got - ten and the coo - ing of a lost dove. \_\_\_\_\_

Vln. I *pp* *ppp* *pppp* mute

Vln. II *pp* *ppp* *pppp*

Vla. *pp* *ppp* *pppp*

Vc. *mp* *pp* (sul G)

# Song of the Barren Orange Tree

F.G. Lorca,  
translated by W.S. Merwin

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70 **Andante** ♩ = 76

Musical score for measures 70-73. The score is for five instruments: B-B. (Bassoon), Vln. I (Violin I), Vln. II (Violin II), Vla. (Viola), and Vc. (Violoncello). The time signature is 12/8. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The tempo is Andante, with a quarter note equal to 76 beats per minute. The B-B., Vln. I, and Vln. II parts are mostly rests. The Vla. part has rests until measure 73, where it begins with a pizzicato (pizz.) and sfz (sforzando) dynamic. The Vc. part begins in measure 70 with a forte (f) dynamic and continues with a melodic line.

74

Musical score for measures 74-77. The score is for five instruments: B-B., Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., and Vc. The time signature is 12/8. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The B-B. part is mostly rests. The Vln. I part begins in measure 74 with a forte (f) dynamic. The Vln. II part begins in measure 74 with a mezzo-forte (mf) dynamic, playing pizzicato (pizz.) until measure 75, then arco (solo) with a forte (f) dynamic. The Vla. part begins in measure 74 with an arco dynamic. The Vc. part begins in measure 74 with a mezzo-forte (mf) dynamic and continues with a melodic line.

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78

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*ff*

*ff*

*ff*

(solo)

*ff*

81

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*p* — *f*

Wood - cut ter

slap pizz.

*ff*

*fp* — *mf*

*fp* — *mf*

85 *mf* *f*

B-B. *mf* *f*  
Cut my sha - dow from me.

Vln. I *f*

Vln. II arco *mp* *f*

Vla. *f* *f*

Vc. *f* *f*

87 (speaking voice)

B-B. (speaking voice)  
Free me from the tor - ment of see-ing my - self with out fruit.

Vln. I pizz.

Vln. II pizz.

Vla. (solo) *ff*

Vc. *ff*

89

B-B. *f* Why was I born a-mong mir - rows? *p* The

Vln. I

Vln. II *arco* *f* *mp*

Vla. (end solo) *mp*

Vc.

93

B-B. — day walks in cir-cles a-round me — and — the night cop-ies me in

Vln. I *p*

Vln. II *p* *mp* *p*

Vla. *p*

Vc.

96

B-B. *all of its stars.*

Vln. I *p* *sff* (solo)

Vln. II *mf*

Vla. *mp* *sff*

Vc.

99

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II *sffz*

Vla. *pp*

Vc. *pp*

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*gliss.*

*gliss.*

*fffz*

pizz. arco

*fffz* *fffz*

*pp*

*pp*

*tr*

*tr*

103

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*ff*

*f*

*dim.*

I want to live\_ with\_ out see ing\_ my self.

*mf*

*p*

*p*

*mf*

Meno mosso

105 rit. . . . .  $\text{♩} = 66$  *mp* *mf*

B-B. *mp* *mf*

Vln. I *p* poco a poco sul pont. -----

Vln. II *p* poco a poco sul pont. -----

Vla. *p* poco a poco sul pont. -----

Vc.

And I will dream that ants and this-tle burrs

108

B-B. and my leaves and my birds.

Vln. I *p* nat.

Vln. II *p* nat.

Vla. *p* nat.

Vc. *pppp* *p*



118

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*fff*

*fff*

*fff*

*fff*

121 *fff* shouting

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*ff*

Wood - cut - ter. Wood cut -

123

B-B. *ter* — *Cut my sha-dow fom me.* — *Free me*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

127

B-B. *from the tor - ment* — *of see - ing my - self* — *with - out* — *fruit.*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*ff*

130

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*f*

*ff*

*ff*

Detailed description: This system contains measures 130 and 131. The bassoon (B-B.) part features a long, sustained note in measure 130, followed by rests in measure 131. The first violin (Vln. I) and second violin (Vln. II) parts play chords in measure 130, with Vln. II starting at a forte (*f*) dynamic. The viola (Vla.) part has a rhythmic eighth-note pattern in measure 130, marked with accents and a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic. The cello (Vc.) part plays a melodic line in measure 130, also marked with accents and fortissimo (*ff*). A hairpin crescendo is shown below the cello staff.

132

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Wood - cut - ter. Wood-cut - ter. Wood-cut - ter Free me.

*sfmp*

*mf*

*sfmp*

*mf*

*sfmp*

*mf*

*sf*

Detailed description: This system contains measures 132 and 133. The bassoon (B-B.) part has rests in measure 132 and a melodic line in measure 133. The vocal line (B-B.) has the lyrics: "Wood - cut - ter. Wood-cut - ter. Wood-cut - ter Free me." The first violin (Vln. I) and second violin (Vln. II) parts play sustained chords in measure 132, marked with *sfmp* and *mf* dynamics. The viola (Vla.) part has a sustained chord in measure 132, marked with *sfmp* and *mf* dynamics, and a melodic line in measure 133, marked with *sf*. The cello (Vc.) part plays a sustained chord in measure 132, marked with *sfmp* and *mf* dynamics.

134

*fff*

B-B.

Wood-cut-ter. Free me.

Vln. I

*fffz*

*cresc.*

*gliss.*

*fff*

Vln. II

*fffz*

*cresc.*

*fff*

Vla.

*fffz*

*cresc.*

*fff*

Vc.

*fffz*

*cresc.*

*gliss.*

*fff*

# III. Sing, Birds

137 **Allegro** ♩ = 108  
*speaking voice\** **f**

B-B. Birds, the ca -

Vln. I *sul A & E*  
**mf**

Vln. II *sul A, gliss ad lib.*  
**3** **3** **3** **3** **3** **3**

Vla. *sul D, gliss ad lib.*  
**3** **3** **3** **3** **3** **3**

Vc. *sul A, gliss ad lib.*  
**3** **3** **3** **3** **3** **3**

*simile*

139 *sung*

B-B. ress - es of your free

Vln. I

Vln. II *simile*  
**3** **3** **3** **3** **3** **3**

Vla. *simile*  
**3** **3** **3** **3** **3** **3**

Vc. *simile*  
**3** **3** **3** **3** **3** **3**

141

B-B. *speaking voice*

wings can't take a -

Vln. I *pizz.*

Vln. II *simile*

Vla. *simile*

Vc. *simile*

143

B-B. way my sad

Vln. I *sul a & e arco*

Vln. II *simile*

Vla. *simile*

Vc. *simile*

145

B-B. mem - o - ry What

Vln. I *simile*

Vln. II *simile*

Vla. *simile*

Vc. *simile*

Detailed description: This system covers measures 145 and 146. The bassoon (B-B.) part has a melodic line with notes marked with 'x' in the first measure and a whole note in the second. The vocal line has the lyrics "mem - o - ry" in the first measure and "What" in the second. The string parts (Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc.) all play a triplet eighth-note pattern, marked with "simile" and a circled "3".

147

B-B. bright lip - -

Vln. I *simile*

Vln. II *simile*

Vla. *simile*

Vc. *simile*

Detailed description: This system covers measures 147 and 148. The bassoon (B-B.) part has a melodic line with a key signature change to one sharp (F#) in the second measure. The vocal line has the lyrics "bright" in the first measure and "lip - -" in the second. The string parts (Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc.) continue with the triplet eighth-note pattern, marked with "simile" and a circled "3". The time signature changes from 2/4 to 4/4 in the second measure.

149

B-B. *pas - sion the chirp - - ing*

Vln. I

Vln. II *simile*

Vla. *simile*

Vc. *simile*

151

B-B. *speaks from your pure*

Vln. I *mp cresc.*

Vln. II *simile*

Vla. *simile*

Vc. *p* *f*

153

B-B. *f*  
breast! Sing for me, \_\_\_\_\_ flash - ing birds

Vln. I *f* *sp* 3 3 *f*

Vln. II *simile* 3 3 3 3 3 3 *f* *sp* 3 3 *f*

Vla. *simile* 3 3 3 3 3 *f* *tr* *sp* 3 *f*

Vc. *simile* 3 3 3 3 3 *f* pizz. (strum up/down) *f*

157

B-B. *p*  
who sum-mon joy in the burn-ing woods and, drunk with light, rise like

Vln. I *p* *mf*

Vln. II *tr* *p*

Vla. *(tr)* *tr* *p* *mf*

Vc.

163

B-B. *ff*  
clap-pers of a bell in the blue that a-dopts you spi - rit - ed

Vln. I *ff* *ff* *8va*

Vln. II *pizz.* *mf* *arco*

Vla. *f*

Vc. *pizz.* *strum* *3* *f*

169

B-B. ly.

Vln. I *(8)* *loco* *p* *3* *3* *3* *3*

Vln. II *mp* *simile* *3* *3* *3* *3*

Vla.

Vc. *arco* *fp* *mf*

173

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

176 *f*

B-B.

Sing for me, \_\_\_\_\_ bird who are born

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

180 *f*

B-B. *f*  
 ev' - ry day \_\_\_\_\_ and de clare the world's

Vln. I *f* *mf*

Vln. II *f* *p*

Vla. *f*

Vc. *f* *mf*

183 *ff*

B-B. *ff*  
 in - no - cense in your cry.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla. *f*

Vc. *ff* *f* *mp*

186 *ff*

B-B. *ff*

Sing, sing and be glad in your heart that you up -

Vln. I *f* *ff*

Vln. II *mp* *f*

Vla. *pizz.* *ff* *arco* *f*

Vc. *ff* *pizz./strum* *arco* *mf*

191

B-B. *mf*

root me and don't re - turn

Vln. I *mp* *cresc.*

Vln. II *mf* *pizz.* *mp* *cresc.*

Vla. *mf*

Vc. *mp*

195

*ff*

B-B.

to earth.

Vln. I

*mf* *f* *ff*

Vln. II

*mf* *f* *ff*

Vla.

arco

*ff*

Vc.

pizz. arco (D) (G)

*ff*

# IV. Gacela of the Flight

Federico Garcia Lorca  
(trans. by Stephen Spondor and J.L. Gili)

*2<sup>da</sup>* **Andante** ♩ = 60

B-B. *p* *poco cresc.* *dim.*  
I have lost my-self in the sea man -

Vln. I *p* *pp*  
*sul tasto; non-vibrato*

Vln. II *p* *pp*  
*sul tasto; non-vibrato*

Vla. *p* *pp*  
*sul tasto; non-vibrato*

Vc. *p* *pp*  
*sul tasto; non-vibrato*

206

B-B. *mf* *dim.* *mp*  
y times with my ear full of fresh-ly cut flow - ers, with my

Vln. I *vib. and m.o.* *mf* *mp*

Vln. II *vib. and m.o.* *mf* *p*

Vla. *vib. and m.o.* *mf*

Vc. *vib. and m.o.* *mf* *p*

210

B-B. *f* *p*  
 tongue full of love and a - go - ny. I have lost my-self in the

Vln. I *mp* *smf* *pp*

Vln. II *mp* *smf* *pp*

Vla. *mp* *smf* *pp*

Vc. *mp* *smf* *p* *pp*

214

B-B. *cresc.* *f* *sp*  
 sea man - y times as I lose my-self in the hearts of cer - tain chil - dren.

Vln. I *mf* *spp*

Vln. II *mf* *spp*

Vla. *mf* *spp* 3

Vc. *mf* *spp*

219

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*solo*

*sul pont.*

*poco a poco nat.*

*nonvib.*

*solo and vib. nat.*

*p*

*sul pont. e poco a poco m.o.*

*nonvib.*

*p*

*sul pont.*

*nat.*

*mp*

*sp*

*sul pont.*

*poco a poco nat..*

*nonvib.*

*p*

224

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*f*

There is no - one who in giv-ing a kiss

*3*

*8va*

*3*

*3*

*3*

*f*

*mf*

*m.o.*

*mf*

*3*

*mf*

*cresc.*

*f*

*mf*

*colla voce*

*3*

*m.o.*

*mf*

228

B-B. *sf*  
 does not feel the face-less peo-ple and no one who in touch-ing a new-born child

Vln. I *mp* *loco* *3*

Vln. II *mp* *f* *3*

Vla. *f* *3* *3*

Vc. *f* *3* *3*

232

B-B. *3* *3*  
 for-gets the mo-tion-less skulls of horse - es. Be-cause the ro-ses search in the

Vln. I *f* *mp* *3*

Vln. II *3* *sf* *mp*

Vla. *pizz.* *f* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *3* *sf* *mp*

237

*mp*

B-B. *mp*  
 fore-head for a hard land-scape of bone, and the

Vln. I *p*

Vln. II *p*  
*arco*

Vla. *p*

Vc. *pp*  
*pizz. sll pont.* *3* *nat.; arco (colla voce)* *p*

240

*f*

*mp*

B-B. *f* *mp*  
 hands of man have no other pur pose than to im - i - tate the roots of the.

Vln. I *mf* *3* *3* *mp*

Vln. II *p*

Vla. *p*

Vc. *f* *3* *mp*

244 *f*

B-B. *earth.* 3

Vln. I *pp*

Vln. II *p* 3 *pp*

Vla. *f* *mp*

Vc. *f* *mf* *p*

246

B-B.

Vln. I *mf*

Vln. II *mf* 5 3

Vla. *p* *mp* *mf*

Vc. *p* *mp* *mf*

249

B-B. *p*  
As I lose my-self in the hearts of cer - tain child - ren, I have

Vln. I *ff spp* nonvib. nat.

Vln. II *ff spp* nonvib. nat.

Vla. *ff spp* nonvib. nat.

Vc. non vib. nat. *ff spp*

254

B-B. *mp* *f*  
lost my-self in the sea man - y times. Ig-no rant of the wa - ter, I go

Vln. I *p* *mf*

Vln. II *p* *mf*

Vla. *p* *mf*

Vc. *p* *mf*

259

B-B. *sp*  
3  
seek-ing a death full of light to con-sume me.

Vln. I *spp* *ppp*

Vln. II *spp*

Vla. *spp*

Vc. *spp*

263

B-B.

Vln. I *rit.*

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

265

B-B.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*mp*

sul E

*pp e dim al niente*

Detailed description: This musical score page contains five staves for measures 265, 266, and 267. The first staff (B-B.) is a bass line with rests in all three measures. The second staff (Vln. I) starts in 5/4 time with a dynamic marking of *mp*. It features a half note chord in measure 265, followed by a half note in measure 266, and a half note chord in measure 267. A performance instruction "sul E" is placed above the staff in measure 266. The third staff (Vln. II) has a half note chord in measure 265, followed by two half notes in measure 266, and a half note chord in measure 267. The fourth staff (Vla.) has a half note chord in measure 265, followed by two half notes in measure 266, and a half note chord in measure 267. The fifth staff (Vc.) has a half note chord in measure 265, followed by two half notes in measure 266, and a half note chord in measure 267. All string parts end in measure 267 with a dynamic marking of *pp e dim al niente*. The time signature changes from 5/4 to 6/4 at the beginning of measure 266.