

Adagio For Strings

for Piano

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Molto adagio (very slowly)

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Piano

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Detailed description: This system contains the first five measures of the piece. The music is written for piano in 4/4 time. Measure 1 starts with a whole note chord in the bass clef (F2, C3, G2) and a whole note chord in the treble clef (F4, C5, G4). The bass line continues with a half note chord (F2, C3) in measure 2, and a half note chord (F2, C3, G2) in measure 3. The treble line features a melodic line starting in measure 2 with a half note F4, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, B5, C6, D6, E6, F6, G6, A6, B6, C7, D7, E7, F7, G7, A7, B7, C8, D8, E8, F8, G8, A8, B8, C9, D9, E9, F9, G9, A9, B9, C10, D10, E10, F10, G10, A10, B10, C11, D11, E11, F11, G11, A11, B11, C12, D12, E12, F12, G12, A12, B12, C13, D13, E13, F13, G13, A13, B13, C14, D14, E14, F14, G14, A14, B14, C15, D15, E15, F15, G15, A15, B15, C16, D16, E16, F16, G16, A16, B16, C17, D17, E17, F17, G17, A17, B17, C18, D18, E18, F18, G18, A18, B18, C19, D19, E19, F19, G19, A19, B19, C20, D20, E20, F20, G20, A20, B20, C21, D21, E21, F21, G21, A21, B21, C22, D22, E22, F22, G22, A22, B22, C23, D23, E23, F23, G23, A23, B23, C24, D24, E24, F24, G24, A24, B24, C25, D25, E25, F25, G25, A25, B25, C26, D26, E26, F26, G26, A26, B26, C27, D27, E27, F27, G27, A27, B27, C28, D28, E28, F28, G28, A28, B28, C29, D29, E29, F29, G29, A29, B29, C30, D30, E30, F30, G30, A30, B30, C31, 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13

p - cresc.

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This system contains measures 13, 14, and 15. Measure 13 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The right hand has a melodic line with a slur over measures 13 and 14, and a fermata over the final note. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 14 continues the melodic line. Measure 15 is a 6/4 time signature change, with the right hand playing a half note and the left hand playing a half note. A dynamic marking of *mf* is present in measure 15.

16

p

4/4

This system contains measures 16, 17, and 18. Measure 16 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The right hand has a melodic line with a slur over measures 16 and 17, and a fermata over the final note. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 17 continues the melodic line. Measure 18 is a 4/4 time signature change, with the right hand playing a half note and the left hand playing a half note. A dynamic marking of *p* is present in measure 17.

19

p cresc.

This system contains measures 19, 20, and 21. Measure 19 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The right hand has a melodic line with a slur over measures 19 and 20, and a fermata over the final note. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 20 continues the melodic line. Measure 21 is a 4/4 time signature change, with the right hand playing a half note and the left hand playing a half note. A dynamic marking of *p cresc.* is present in measure 20.

22

mf

p

This system contains measures 22, 23, and 24. Measure 22 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The right hand has a melodic line with a slur over measures 22 and 23, and a fermata over the final note. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes. Measure 23 continues the melodic line. Measure 24 is a 4/4 time signature change, with the right hand playing a half note and the left hand playing a half note. Dynamic markings of *mf* and *p* are present in measures 22 and 24 respectively.

25

mf p

Detailed description: This system contains measures 25, 26, and 27. Measure 25 is in 6/4 time and features a melodic line in the right hand with eighth notes and a bass line with quarter notes. Measure 26 is also in 6/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Measure 27 is in 4/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Dynamics include *mf* and *p*. A fermata is placed over the final note of measure 27.

28

cresc.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 28, 29, and 30. Measure 28 is in 5/4 time and features a melodic line in the right hand with quarter notes and a bass line with quarter notes. Measure 29 is in 5/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Measure 30 is in 5/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. A *cresc.* marking is present in measure 28.

31

mf p

Detailed description: This system contains measures 31, 32, 33, and 34. Measure 31 is in 5/4 time and features a melodic line in the right hand with quarter notes and a bass line with quarter notes. Measure 32 is in 4/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Measure 33 is in 4/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Measure 34 is in 4/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Dynamics include *mf* and *p*.

35

(with increasing intensity)

p cresc.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 35, 36, and 37. Measure 35 is in 5/4 time and features a melodic line in the right hand with quarter notes and a bass line with quarter notes. Measure 36 is in 5/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. Measure 37 is in 5/4 time, with a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line. A *p cresc.* marking is present in measure 35.

38

mf
espr. *cresc. sempre*

This system contains measures 38 through 41. The music is written for piano in a single system with two staves. Measure 38 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody in the right hand features a series of eighth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *mf* and *espr.* (espressivo), with a *cresc. sempre* (crescendo sempre) instruction spanning the first two measures. The system concludes with a repeat sign.

42

f *cresc. sempre*

This system contains measures 42 through 45. The music continues in the same key signature. Measure 42 begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The right hand has a more active melodic line with eighth notes, and the left hand has a steady accompaniment. A *cresc. sempre* instruction is present. The system ends with a repeat sign.

46

This system contains measures 46 through 48. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth notes, and the left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment. The system concludes with a repeat sign.

49

8

ff *sff* *pp*

This system contains measures 49 through 52. Measure 49 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The right hand has a melodic line with eighth notes, and the left hand has a harmonic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *ff* (fortissimo), *sff* (sforzando), and *pp* (pianissimo). A fermata is placed over the final chord of the system. The system concludes with a repeat sign.

54

mf espr.

This system contains measures 54 through 57. The music is written for piano in a key with two flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor). The right hand features a melodic line with a trill in measure 56, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment. The dynamic marking *mf espr.* is placed in the right hand.

58

This system contains measures 58 through 60. The right hand has a continuous eighth-note melodic line. The left hand has a more static accompaniment. The time signature changes from 4/4 to 5/4 in measure 59 and back to 4/4 in measure 60.

61

p

This system contains measures 61 through 64. The right hand continues with a melodic line, and the left hand has a similar accompaniment. The dynamic marking *p* is placed in the right hand.

65

pp morendo

mf *molto espres.*

This system contains measures 65 through 68. The right hand has a melodic line that ends with a fermata. The left hand has a more active accompaniment. The dynamic markings *pp morendo* and *mf molto espres.* are placed in the right and left hands respectively.

