

Land Between the Lakes

Land Between the Lakes is a 170,000 acre national recreation area in western Kentucky and northern Tennessee. It was formed when two parallel rivers, the Cumberland and the Tennessee, were dammed, creating Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley. Visitors can enjoy a living history farm, a nature station, a planetarium, and wildlife, including a bison herd. Peaceful hiking trails wind through dense forests, meadows, and along the lakeshores.

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Peacefully

mp

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Mammoth Cave

Beneath the surface of the Green River valley and the hilly country of south central Kentucky lies Mammoth Cave. Mammoth Cave is the world's longest cave. More than 350 miles of passages have been mapped so far. The cave is 379 feet deep and has at least five levels of passages. Visitors can choose from many tours on lighted paths. Of special interest are the mineral deposits known as stalactites and stalagmites that are formed by slowly dripping water.

These can be found in the sections called Frozen Niagra and the Drapery Room.

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Broadly and mysteriously

The musical score is written for piano in 4/4 time, featuring a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a measure number in a box at the beginning of the first staff. The first system starts with a piano (*p*) dynamic and includes fingerings such as 5, 1, 2, 1, 2, 5, 2, 5, 2, 1, 2, and 5. The second system continues the melodic line with fingerings 1, 2, 1, 2, 5, and 5. The third system, starting at measure 7, includes fingerings 3, 3, 4, 2, 1-2, 5, 1, 5, 2, 1, 3, and 5. The fourth system, starting at measure 10, includes fingerings 5, 2, 5, 3, 1, 5, 3, 1, 3, 1, 4, 1, 5, 1, and 5. The score also features a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic and various musical notations including slurs, ties, and articulation marks.

The Kentucky Derby

Called "the most exciting two minutes in sports," the Kentucky Derby is a race for three-year old thoroughbred horses. It is held yearly at Churchill Downs race track in Louisville on the first Saturday in May and is also known as "the run for the roses" because a blanket of roses is draped over the winning horse. The race attracts 155,000 fans, including Queen Elizabeth II in 2008. Eight U. S. presidents have attended in the past. Steeped in tradition, women wear large, elaborate hats, and the crowd stands and sings Stephen Foster's My Old Kentucky Home as the University of Louisville Marching Band plays and the horses parade before the grandstand.

Slowly, with freedom

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First system of musical notation. The piece is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The tempo/mood is "Slowly, with freedom". The dynamics are marked *pp* (pianissimo). The melody in the treble clef starts with a triplet of eighth notes (marked '3') and ends with a half note (marked '1'). The bass clef has a whole note chord.

3 With precise rhythm

Second system of musical notation, starting at measure 3. The tempo/mood is "With precise rhythm". The dynamics are marked *p* (piano) and *mp* (mezzo-piano). The melody in the treble clef features eighth notes and quarter notes, with fingering numbers 5 and 1. The bass clef has a whole note chord with fingering numbers 1 and 5.

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Third system of musical notation, starting at measure 6. The dynamics are marked *mf* (mezzo-forte). The tempo/mood is "poco à poco accel." (poco a poco accelerando). The melody in the treble clef features eighth notes and quarter notes. The bass clef has a whole note chord.

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Fourth system of musical notation, starting at measure 9. The dynamics are marked *f* (forte). The melody in the treble clef features eighth notes and quarter notes. The bass clef has a whole note chord with fingering numbers 5 and 2.