

# UNDER THE GREENWOOD TREE

for S.S.A. voices and piano  
with optional SoundTrax\*

Words by  
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (1564-1616)†

Music by  
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Rollicking (♩ = ca. 96)

SOPRANO I  
SOPRANO II

ALTO

PIANO

Rollicking (♩ = ca. 96)

*mf*

3 *mf*

Un - der the green- wood, green- wood, green- wood, un - der the green- wood, green- wood tree,

Un - der the green- wood, green- wood, green- wood, un - der the green- wood, green- wood tree,

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† This text comes from a song in William Shakespeare's comedic play, *As You Like It*. As is common in Shakespeare's writing, the lyrics present a pun which can be viewed in two ways. Perhaps the word "lie" is an invitation to rest beneath the tree while listening to the bird's song, in celebration of nature. Or, if "lie" is interpreted as telling a falsehood, then the song mocks the very idea of pastoral bliss.

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who

un - der the green- wood, green- wood, green- wood, un - der the green- wood, green-wood tree,

un - der the green- wood, green- wood, green- wood, un - der the green- wood, green-wood tree,

7 loves to lie with me

un -

and turn his mer - ry note un -

and turn his mer - ry note

to the sweet bird's throat, — come hith - er, hith - er, hith - er, hith - er,

*p* *cresc.*

come hith - er, hith - er, hith - er, hith - er,

*p* *cresc.*

11 *mf* here shall he see. — *mp* Who

*mf* here shall he see. *mp* Who

14 doth am - bi - tion shun, and loves to

doth am-bi - tion shun, and loves to live in the

*mp*

17 *mf* live in the sun, seek-ing the food he eats, and

*mf* sun, seek-ing the food he eats, and

*mf*

20 pleased with what he gets, he gets.  
with what he gets, with what he gets.

pleased with what he gets.

23 SOP. II only  
*mp*

Un - der the green - wood, green - wood, green - wood, un - der the green - wood, green - wood tree,  
*mp*

Un - der the green - wood, green - wood, green - wood, un - der the green - wood, green - wood tree,

25 + SOP. I  
*mf*

un - der the green - wood, green - wood, green - wood, un - der the green - wood, green - wood tree, who  
*mf*

un - der the green - wood, green - wood, green - wood, un - der the green - wood, green - wood tree,

27 loves to lie with me

un -

and turn his mer - ry note

un -

and turn his mer - ry note

29

to the sweet bird's throat, — come hith - er, hith - er, hith - er, hith - er,

come hith - er, hith - er, hith - er, hith - er,

31

here shall he see, he see.

here shall he see, he see.

33

*mp cresc.* *mf*

No en - e - my, no en - e - my, no en - e - my but *mf*

*mp cresc.* *mf*

No en - e - my, no en - e - my, no en - e - my but

*mp cresc.* *mf*

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1. 2.

win - ter. win - ter and rough weath - er.

win - ter. win - ter and rough weath - er.

1. 2.

37

*f*

38 *mf*

Un - der the green-wood, green-wood, green-wood, un - der the green-wood, green-wood tree,

*mf*

Un - der the green-wood, green-wood, green-wood, un - der the green-wood, green-wood tree,

*mf*

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un - der the green-wood, green-wood, green-wood, un - der the green-wood, green-wood tree.

un - der the green-wood, green-wood, green-wood, un - der the green-wood, green-wood tree.

42 *f*

Un - der the green-wood, green-wood, green-wood, un - der the green-wood, green-wood tree,

*f*

Un - der the green-wood, green-wood, green-wood, un - der the green-wood, green-wood tree,

*f*

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un - der the green - wood, green - wood, green - wood, un - der the green - wood, green - wood tree,

un - der the green - wood, green - wood, green - wood, un - der the green - wood, green - wood tree,

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*mp* green-wood tree, *f* un - der the green - wood

*mf* green-wood tree, *f* un - der the green - wood

*mp* *mf* *f*

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tree, *ff* green-wood tree.

tree, *ff* green-wood tree.

*cresc.* *ff*