

# THE POLAR EXPRESS: A Choral Medley

Including BELIEVE, THE POLAR EXPRESS,

WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES TO TOWN,

SANTA CLAUS IS COMIN' TO TOWN, HOT CHOCOLATE,

ROCKIN' ON TOP OF THE WORLD, WINTER WONDERLAND

and SPIRIT OF THE SEASON

Three-Part Mixed, accompanied, with optional bass, guitar and drums\*

Performance time: approx. 5:30

Moderately slow ( $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 86$ )

Arranged by  
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**ACCOMP.**

**\*\*BELIEVE**  
Words and Music by GLEN BALLARD and ALAN SILVESTRI  
**mp (unison)**

I      II      III

Chil - dren sleep - ing, snow is soft - ly fall - ing.

III

5      E      G#m/D#      E      G#m/D#

9      Dreams are call - ing like bells in the dis - tance.

9      F#m      E $\flat$       F#m      A      B

\*Bass/Guitar/Drums see pgs. 20-23.

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We were dream - ers, not so long a - go,

13 E G#m/D# E G#m/D#

17 but one by one, we all had to grow up.

17 F#m E F#m A B

21 *mf* When it seems the mag - ic slipped a - way, we

21 G#m A

23

find it all a - gain on Christ - mas Day.

D/F#                      Bsus                      D7

*rit.*

25 Lively ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 130$ )

*(unis.) f*

*SOLO: spoken* *All a - board!* It's a

Lively ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 130$ )

G7                      *f*

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mag - ic car - pet on a rail nev - er takes a rest,

29 G(9)                      Am7/G                      G(9)                      Am7/E                      Cm6/Eb

33

fly - ing through the moun-tains and the snow. You can

f

33 G(9) G/F# Em7 A7 D7

37

ride for free and join the fun, if you just say yes; 'cause

37 G(9) Am7/G G(9) G Dm7 G7

41

that's the way things hap - pen on the Po - lar Ex - press.

41 Cmaj7 Eb+ G/D A7/C# Am7 D7 G



45

Woo woo the whis-tle blows; that's the sound of her sing-ing.

45

E♭ Cm6/E♭ Dm7 Gm7 Cm7 F7 B♭

49

Ding ding her  
Ding ding bell will ring. Gol - ly, look at her go! You can

49

G♭ A♭/G♭ D♭/F B♭m7 Cm7 F7 Am7(4) D7

53

won - der if you'll get there soon, an - y-bod - y's guess, 'cause

53

G(9) G Am7/G G Dm7 G7

57

that's the way things hap - pen on the Po - lar

Ex -

57 Cmaj7 E+ G/D A7/C# Am9 D7

Tenderly ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 64$ ) *mp*

*SOLO (or unis.)*

63 \*WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES TO TOWN  
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press. *mp*

I'm wish-ing on a star and

Tenderly ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 64$ ) *G*

63

64

try - ing to be - lieve that e - ven though it's far, he'll

66 (end solo) *mf* 67

find me Christ-mas Eve. I guess that San - ta's bus - y, 'cause he's

*mf*

67 Am D/F#

nev - er come a-round. I think of him when Christ-mas comes to

*rit.*

G C G/B Am7 D7sus

*rit.*

Moderate swing ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 126$ ) ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 126$ )

\*SANTA CLAUS IS COMIN' TO TOWN

(unis.) Words by HAVEN GILLESPIE, Music by J. FRED COOTS

70 town. You bet - ter watch out, you bet-ter not cry,

Moderate swing ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 126$ ) ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 126$ )

G C C/Bb F6/A Fm6/A**b**

73

Bet-ter not pout, I'm tell - ing you why:— San - ta Claus is

C/G C/B♭ F6/A Fm6/A♭ B♭9 Cmaj7 Am7

76

com-in' to town.. He's mak-ing a list and

Dm7 G C E♭9 D9 G7 C Gm7 C

80

check-ing it twice Gon - na find out who's naught-y and nice,—

Fmaj7 Dm7 C C/B♭ F6/A Fm6/A♭

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**83**

accel.

San - ta Claus is com-in' to town...

**83**

Cmaj7/G Am7 Dm7 G7 C6 Am7 Dsus D7

**87**

*f*

Fast swing ( $J = \text{ca. } 176$ ) ( $\square = \overline{J}$ )  
**\*HOT CHOCOLATE**  
 Words and Music by GLEN BALLARD and ALAN SILVESTRI

Hot, hot, *Oo*— we got it. Hot, hot, *Hey*,— we got it.  
*SOLO: spoken* ----- *SOLO: spoken* -----

**87**

*f*

Fast swing ( $J = \text{ca. } 176$ ) ( $\square = \overline{J}$ )  
 G C9

**91**

*ALL: spoken*

Hot, hot, *Say*,— we got it. *Hot choc-late!*  
*SOLO: spoken* -----

**91**

Am7 G6

95

Hot, hot, *Oo we got it.*  
*SOLO: spoken*

Hot, hot, *So we got it.*  
*SOLO: spoken*

G                           C9

95

G                           C9

99

Hot, hot, *Yo we got it.*  
*SOLO: spoken*

Hot choc-late!

ALL: spoken

99

Am7                           G6

103

\*ROCKIN' ON TOP OF THE WORLD  
Words and Music by GLEN BALLARD and ALAN SILVESTRI

Rock-in' on top of the world...                   Rock-in' on top of the world...

103

G6

106

107

The place is hop - pin'; there ain't no stop - pin'.

107

C7

109

111

Rock-in' on top of the world... Lift your spir-its;

G6

D7

112

swing that girl... Rock-in' on top of the world to-night.

D+ D7 N.C.

115

Buh doo buh dee-dle doo buh dwee duh

Buh doo buh

115 G6

118 119

dee-dle doo buh dwee duh Dat dat dat dat dat dat

119 D9

121 123

doo buh doo buh deet doo wah Buh doo buh doo buh buh

G6 123 D7

124

*slowing* *mf*

doo buh doo buh Rock-in' on top of the world to-night! Sleigh-bells

N.C.

*slowing* *mf*

Moderately ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 58$ ) ( $\text{J} = \overline{\text{J}}^3$ )

127 **\*WINTER WONDERLAND**  
Words by DICK SMITH, Music by FELIX BERNARD

ring, way are you lis - t'nin'? is the blue - bird, In the lane snow is  
is a

*Whistle (or sing on "doo")*

*mp*

127 Moderately ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 58$ ) ( $\text{J} = \overline{\text{J}}^3$ )

C Cmaj7 C6 Cmaj7 G7

130

131

glus-t'nin', new bird, A beau-ti - ful sight., He sings a love song we're hap-py to - night, as we go a - long,

*mf*

131

G7sus G7 G F/G G6 Dm7/G

1. 12.

With spirit, not too fast  
( $J = \text{ca. } 100-102$ ) ( $\text{J} = \text{J}$ )

133

Walk-in' in a win-ter won-der - land! Gone a - land!  
Walk-in' in a win-ter won-der -

1. 12.

With spirit, not too fast  
( $J = \text{ca. } 100-102$ ) ( $\text{J} = \text{J}$ )

D9 G9 C6 C6 E $\flat$

136

**\*SPIRIT OF THE SEASON**  
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138 (unis.) f

It's the sm - it of the sea - son. You can feel it in the air.

138 A $\flat$  B $\flat$ m7 A $\flat$ /C D $\flat$ (9) A $\flat$ /C B $\flat$ m7 E $\flat$

140

You can hear it if you lis-ten, Ev - 'ry-where, so much care, like a

A♭ B♭m A♭/C C7/E Fm B♭/D E♭ Cm

142

143

prayer... What - ev - er it is you need to share it.

D♭ N.C. 143

144

It's the spir - it of the sea - son.

Bong! Bong! Bong! Bong!

\*Sing cued notes if range is too high.

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You can hear it in the air.

146

Bong! Bong! Bong! Bong!

148 Moderately slow ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 86$ )

149

**BELIEVE**

Be - lieve in what your heart is say-ing,

Moderately slow ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 86$ )

A/B

B

A/B

B

149

G#m/B

E

F#m7(4)

F#m9

150

hear the mel - o - dy that's play-ing. There's no time to waste, there's so

E/G#

A

E

B/D#

152

much to cel - e - brate... Be - lieve in what you feel in - side\_ and

F#m9 E/B Bsus E F#m7(4) F#m9

153

give your dreams the wings to fly.

E/G# G# C#m

154

You have ev - 'ry - thing you need if you just

F#m7 A/B

155

\*Sing cued notes if range of melody is too high.

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158

— be - lieve. If you just be - lieve,

158 E F#m7(4) E(9)/G# A E E(9)/D#

161 162 if you just be - lieve,

F#m7 A/B E F#m7

163 molto rit. ff  
be - lieve! ff

E(9)/G# A E E(9)

molto rit. ff

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## BASS/GUITAR/DRUMS\*

Moderately slow ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 86$ )

Drums: cymbal color; sleighbells in 8th note pattern

*fill*

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\* Bass: Play the part as written.

Guitar: Play ad lib., using the chord symbols as a guide.

Drums: The pattern for the first song is 8th notes on hi-hat, beat four on snare drum and the rhythm of the bass on bass drum.

\*\* The pattern for this song is quarter notes on hi-hat, the "and" of beats one and two on snare drum and the rhythm of the bass on bass drum.

**37** G(9) A<sub>m7/G</sub> G(9) G D<sub>m7</sub> G<sub>7</sub>

**Drums: ensemble**

**41** Cmaj7 E<sub>b+</sub> G/D A<sub>7/C#</sub> *pattern* Am7 D7 G *fill*

**45** *pattern* E<sub>b</sub> Cm6/E<sub>b</sub> Dm7 Gm7 Cm7 F7 B<sub>b</sub>

**49** G<sub>b</sub> A<sub>b/G<sub>b</sub></sub> D<sub>b/F</sub> B<sub>bm7</sub> Cm7 F7 Am<sub>7(4)</sub> *Drums: full* D7

**53** *pattern* G(9) G Am7/G G D<sub>m7</sub> G<sub>7</sub>

**57** *ens.* Cmaj7 E<sub>b+</sub> G/D A<sub>7/C#</sub> *pattern* Am9 *ens.* D7

**Tenderly (J = ca. 64)  
cymbal color**

**61** G **63 WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES TO TOWN**

**mp**

**67** Am D/F<sub>#</sub> G G/B Am7 D7sus G **rit.**

**mf**

**Moderate swing  
(J = ca. 126) (J = J<sup>3</sup>)**

**Drums: fill**

**G**

**SANTA CLAUS IS COMIN' TO TOWN**

**pattern\***

**71** C C/B<sub>b</sub> F6/A Fm6/A<sub>b</sub> C/G C/B<sub>b</sub> F6/A Fm6/A<sub>b</sub> B<sub>b9</sub>

**75** Cmaj7 Am7 Dm7 G C E<sub>b9</sub> D9 *Drums: fill* G<sub>7</sub>

**pattern**

**79** C Gm7 C Fmaj7 Dm7 C C/B<sub>b</sub> F6/A Fm6/A<sub>b</sub>

\*The pattern for this section is quarter notes on ride cymbal, beats two and four on snare drum and the rhythm of the bass on bass drum.

22

83 Cmaj7/G Am7 Dm7 G7 C6 Am7 Dsus D7 *Drums: fill*

*Fast swing (J = ca. 176) (J = J<sup>3</sup>)* *accel.*

87 G C9

*f*

91 Am7 G6 *Drums: fill*

95 *pattern* G C9

99 Am7 G6 *Drums: fill*

*ROCKIN' ON TOP OF THE WORLD* *pattern*

103 G6

107 C7 G6

111 D7 D7 *Drums: ens.* *N.C.* *fill*

115 *pattern* G6

119 C9 G6

123 D7 *Drums: ens.* *N.C.* *fill*

*slowing* *mf*

**WINTER WONDERLAND**Moderately ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 58$ ) ( $\text{J} = \overline{\text{J}}^3$ )

pattern\*

127 C Cmaj7 C6 Cmaj7 G7 G7sus G7

131 G F/G G6 Dm7/G pattern D9 G9 1. C6 fill  
2.

With spirit, not too fast ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 100-102$ ) ( $\text{J} = \overline{\text{J}}$ )

135 C6 E♭ N.C. fill ens.  
138 SPIRIT OF THE SEASON A♭ B♭m7 A♭/C D(9) A♭/C B♭m7 E♭ A♭ B♭m7 A♭/C

141 C7/E Fm B♭/D E♭ Cm D♭ N.C. 143  
146

Moderately slow ( $\text{J} = \text{ca. } 86$ )

Drums: fill

149 BELIEVE pattern\*\* E F♯m7(4) F♯m9 E/G♯ A E B/D♯ F♯m9 E/B Bsus

153 E F♯m7(4) F♯m9 E/G♯ G♯ C♯m F♯m7

157 A/B 158 Drums: fill pattern E F♯m7(4) E(9)/G♯ A E E(9)/D♯

161 F♯m7 A/B 162 pattern E F♯m7 E(9)/G♯ A E E(9)  
molto rit. ff

\*The pattern for this song is quarter notes on hi-hat, the "and" of beats one and two on snare drum and the rhythm of the bass on bass drum.

\*\*The pattern for this song is eighth notes on hi-hat, beats two and four on snare drum, and the rhythm of the bass on bass drum.

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