

DUERME, NEGRITO

For Four-Part Chorus of Mixed Voices
and Percussion

a cappella

English text
by Louise Dobbs

mp

Cuban Lullaby

Arranged by Robert DeCormier

Soprano

mp

Duer - me, duer - me, ne - gri - to,
Sleep, o sleep, lit-tle black child.

Alto

mp

Duer - me, duer - me, ne - gri - to,
Sleep, o sleep, lit-tle black child.

Tenor

mp

Duer - me, duer - me, ne - gri - to,
Sleep, o sleep, lit-tle black child.

Bass

Duer - me,
O sleep,

Que tu ma -
out in the
etc

Cabasa
Percussion

Piano
(for rehearsal
only)

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Que tu ma-ma esta en el cam - po, ne - gri - to,
Out in the fields your ma-ma's work - ing, ne - gri - to,

Que tu ma-ma esta en el cam - po, ne - gri - to,
Out in the fields your ma-ma's work - ing, ne - gri - to,

Que tu ma-ma esta en el cam - po, ne - gri - to,
Out in the fields your ma-ma's work - ing, ne - gri - to,

ma - esta en el cam - po, ne - gri - to,
fields your ma-ma's work - ing, ne - gri - to,



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duer - me, duer - me, ne - gri - to. — Que tu ma - ma esta en el
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle black child. Out in the fields your ma-ma's

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Que tu ma - ma esta en el
Out in the fields your ma-ma's

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cam - po, — ne - gri - to. — Ah. _____
work - ing, — ne - gri - to. —

cam - po, — ne - gri - to. — Ah. _____
work - ing, — ne - gri - to. —

cam - po. — — — — —
work - ing. — — — — —

cam - po, — ne - gri - to. — — — — —
work - ing, — ne - gri - to. — — — — —

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Ah,

Ah,

Oh

16

Te va atra-er cor - do - ni-ces pa - ra ti
Soon she will come bring-ing ti - ny birds for you, ri - ca
ripe and

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Soon she will come bring-ing ti - ny birds for you, ri - ca
ripe and

cor - do - ni-ces pa - ra ti,
bring-ing ti - ny birds for you, Te va atra-er ri - ca
soon she will bring ripe and

pa - ra ti
all for you,

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fru-ta pa-ra ti,
lov-ely fruit for you,

Te va atra-er car-ne de cer-do pa-ra ti
Soon she will bring good pork and lamb all just for you,

fru-ta pa-ra ti,
lov-ely fruit for you,

Te va atra-er car-ne de cer-do pa-ra ti
Soon she will bring good pork and lamb all just for you,

fru-ta pa-ra ti,
lov-ely fruit for you.

car-ne de cer-do pa-ra ti
good pork and lamb all just for you,

fru-ta pa-ra ti,
lov-ely fruit for you,

pa-ra all for

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mu-chas co-sas pa-ra ti
O so man-y things for you.

y si el ne-gro no se
And if ba-by does not

p

mu-chas co-sas pa-ra ti
O so man-y things for you.

y si el ne-gro no se
And if ba-by does not

p

Te va atra-er mu-chas co-sas pa-ra ti
Soon she will bring O so man-y things for you.

y si el ne-gro no se
And if ba-b y does not

ti,
you,

mu-chas co-sas pa-ra ti
O so man-y things for you.

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duer-me, vien-e el ne-gro blan-co y zas! Le co - me la pa-ti-ta. Cha-ca
sleep, soon the dev-il comes — y zas! He eats — your lit-tle feet. Cha-ca

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mf

no se duer-me el dia-blito blan-co
he does not sleep, the dev-il's coming.

Cha-ca

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pum-ba, cha - ca pum a pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum. —
pum-ba, cha - ca pum a pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum. —

f p

pum-ba, cha - ca pum a pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum. —
pum-ba, cha - ca pum a pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum. —

f p

pum-ba, cha - ca pum a pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum. —
pum-ba, cha - ca pum a pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum-ba, cha - ca pum. —

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duer - me, duer - me, ne - gri - to,
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle black child,

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Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle black child,

duer - me, duer - me, ne - gri - to,
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle black child,

Duer - me
O sleep.

Que tu ma -
Out in the

(slower - freely) a tempo

Que tu ma - ma es-ta en el cam - po, ne - gri - to.
Out in the fields your ma - ma's work - ing. ne - gri - to.

(slower - freely) a tempo

Que tu ma - ma es-ta en el cam - po.
Out in the fields your ma - ma's work - ing.

(slower - freely) a tempo

ma - es - ta en el cam - po.
your ma - ma's work - ing.

fields Tra - ba -
She is

(slower - freely) a tempo

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Tra - ba - jan - do dur - a - men te,
in the fields, o she is work- ing,

Tra - ba - jan - do dur - a - men te,
in the fields, o she is work- ing,

Tra - ba - jan - do _____
She is work- ing _____

jan - do
work - ing

tra - ba -
in the

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Tra - ba - jan do y, no le pa - gan,
work-ing hard and no one pays her,
Tra - ba - Work-ing

Tra - ba - jan do y, no le pa - gan,
work-ing hard and no one pays her,
Tra - ba - Work-ing

Tra - ba - jan do y,
no one pays her,
Tra - ba - al - ways

jan - do, si, _____
fields, o yes, _____
tra - ba - jan - do, si, _____
work - ing hard, o yes, _____

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jan - do y va to - sien - do,
hard and al-ways cough-ing,

Tra - ba - jan-do y va de lu - to,
work-ing hard and al-ways long-ing.

jan - do y va to - sien - do,
hard and al-ways cough-ing,

Tra - ba - jan-do y va de lu - to,
work-ing hard and al-ways long-ing,

jan - do,
cough-ing,

Tra - ba - jan - do,
al-ways long-ing.

tra - ba - jan - do, si, —
in the fields, o yes.

tra - ba - work-ing

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Pa - ra el ne - gro Chi - qui - ti - to,
For her lit - tle Chi - qui - ti - to,

Du - ra
In the

Pa - ra el ne - gro Chi - qui - ti - to,
For her lit - tle Chi - qui - ti - to,

Du - ra
In the

Pa - ra el ne - gro
For her ba - by,

jan - do, si, —
hard, o yes, —

tra - ba - jan - do, si, —
al-ways work-ing, yes, —

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men-te, si, — va de lu-to, si. —
fields, o yes, — al-ways long-ing, yes.

men-te, si, — va de lu-to, si. —
fields, o yes, — al-ways long-ing, yes.

— va to sien - do, si. — du-ra
al-ways cough-ing, yes, — in the

va to sien - do, si, — du-ra
al-ways cough-ing, yes, — in the

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Duer - me, duer - me, ne -
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle

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Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle

men-te, si, — Duer - - me Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle
fields, o yes,

men-te, si, — Duer - - me Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle
fields, o yes,

p

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gri - to.
black child.

Que tu ma - ma es - ta en el
Out in the fields your ma - ma's

gri - to.
black child.

Que tu ma - ma es - ta en el
Out in the fields your ma - ma's

gri - to.
black child.

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56

cam - po, ne - gri - to.
work - ing,

Duer - me, duer - me, ne -
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle -

cam - po, ne - gri - to.
work - ing,

Duer - me, duer - me, ne -
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle -

cam - po,
work - ing,

Duer - me, duer - me, ne -
Sleep, o sleep, lit - tle -

cam - po,
work - ing,

ne - gri - to.
ne - gri - to.

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(slower-freely) a tempo ***pp***

gri - to. — Que - tu ma - ma es - ta en el cam - po, — ne -
black child. Out in the fields your má-má's work - ing, — ne -

(slower-freely) a tempo ***pp***

gri - to. — Que - tu ma - ma es - ta en el cam - po, — ne -
black child. Out in the fields your má-má's work - ing, — ne -

(slower-freely) a tempo

gri - to. — Que - tu ma - ma es - ta en el cam - po, — ne -
black child. Out in the fields your má-má's work - ing, — ne -

(slower-freely) a tempo

Que - tu ma - ma es - ta en el cam - po, — ne -
Out in the fields your má-má's work - ing, — ne -

(slower-freely) a tempo

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slower

gri - to. — mm.
gri - to. — mm.

slower

gri - to. — mm.
gri - to. — mm.

slower

p ne - gri - to. — mm.
ne - gri - to. — mm.

slower

ne - gri - to. — Duer me.
ne - gri - to. — O sleep.

slower

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