Moonlight Serenade
GLENN MILLER and MITCHELL PARISH
Transcribed and Recreated by JEFF HEST

INSTRUMENTATION
Conductor
B♭ Clarinet
1st E♭ Alto Saxophone
2nd E♭ Alto Saxophone
1st B♭ Tenor Saxophone
2nd B♭ Tenor Saxophone
1st B♭ Trumpet
2nd B♭ Trumpet
3rd B♭ Trumpet
4th B♭ Trumpet
1st Trombone
2nd Trombone
3rd Trombone
4th Trombone
Guitar Chords
Guitar
Piano
Bass
Drums
NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

As in most ensemble and solo playing of this era, a swingy eighth-note interpretation and feel are generally appropriate (i.e., \( \frac{3}{4} \) = \( \frac{3}{8} \)).

Bar 1: Reeds and brass play with a laid-back legato feel and should balance internally. Have the reeds play with as open a sound as possible, the typical Glenn Miller sound with clarinet lead (sometimes doubled with tenor sax).

Bars 12–13: Piano fills should be brought out.

Bar 14: Brass must phrase together.

Bar 17: Clarinet entrance is very important.

Bar 22: As at bar 1, but open brass should not overpower the tutti reeds.

Bar 34: Clarinet solo; saxes in support.

Bar 36: Brass must be tight. Watch the sforzando and crescendo (with cymbal) in bar 37. Off on 3.

Bar 42: As at bar 22.

Bar 52: Poco rallentando.

Bar 53: Accelerando in reeds to an easy-off in bar 54. Very slight attack on last chord.

HISTORICAL NOTES

Original clarinet solo by Wilbur Schwartz
Original arrangement by Glenn Miller
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