

A Catalonian Christmas Carol

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Instrumentation:

Flute 1, 2 - 8
Oboe 1, 2 - 2
Bb Clarinet 1 - 4
Bb Clarinet 2 - 4
Bb Clarinet 3 - 4
Bb Bass Clarinet - 1
Bassoon - 2
Eb Alto Saxophone 1 - 2
Eb Alto Saxophone 2 - 2
Bb Tenor Saxophone - 1
Eb Baritone Saxophone - 1
Bb Trumpet 1 - 2
Bb Trumpet 2 - 2
Bb Trumpet 3 - 2
F Horn 1 - 2
F Horn 2 - 2
Trombone 1 - 2
Trombone 2 - 2
Trombone 3 - 2
Baritone Bass Clef - 1
Baritone Treble Clef - 1
Tuba - 4
String Bass - 1
Bells, Chimes - 2
Timpani - 1
Suspended Cymbal - 1

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This traditional folk song from Catalonia (a region in Spain) features a spiritual text largely about the child Jesus, prompting some to classify it as a Christmas carol. It has been regularly sung during the Christmas season in parts of Europe and the Americas. There are also numerous instrumental versions, including notable ones for solo guitar that are very popular. It was a favorite encore of legendary guitarist Andres Segovia (1893-1987) and this version is often played by guitarists around the world.

This arrangement begins like the guitar versions - simple, light and clean. It grows to be more full and sonorous than a guitar ever could, before ending, as it began - peacefully.

The Son of Mary

What shall we give to the Son of the Virgin?
What can we give that the Babe will enjoy?
First, we shall give Him a tray full of raisins,
Then we shall offer sweet figs to the Boy.
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What shall we give the Beloved of Mary?
What can we give to her beautiful Child?
Raisins and olives and nutmeats and honey,
Candy and figs and some cheese that is mild.
Raisins and olives and nutmeats and honey,
Candy and figs and some cheese that is mild.

What shall we do if the figs are not ripened?
What shall we do if the figs are still green?
We shall not fret; if they're not ripe for Easter,
On a Palm Sunday, ripe figs will be seen.
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On a Palm Sunday, ripe figs will be seen.

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Easy, flowing
sempre legato ♩ = 92

2

3

4

5

6

Flute 1,2

Oboe 1,2

B♭ Clarinet 1

B♭ Clarinet 2,3

B♭ Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

E♭ Alto Saxophone 1,2

B♭ Tenor Saxophone

E♭ Baritone Saxophone

B♭ Trumpet 1

B♭ Trumpet 2,3

F Horn 1,2

Trombone 1,2

Trombone 3

Baritone

Tuba

Bells
Chimes

Timpani
F-B♭-C-E♭

Suspended Cymbal

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

*poco rit.**a Tempo*

Fl 1,2

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax 1,2

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Trbn 3

Bari

Tuba

Bells

Chimes

Chimes

Timp

S.C.

p

p

p

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

Fl 1,2

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax 1,2

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Trbn 3

Bari

Tuba

Bells
Chimes

Timp

S.C.

p

1 player

p

p

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

Fl 1,2

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax 1,2

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Trbn 3

Bari

Tuba

Bells
Chimes

Timp

S.C.

mp *mf*

mp *mf*

mp *mf*

p *mf*

p *mf*

39

40

41

42

43

44

45

46

Fl 1,2 *p*

Ob *p*

Cl 1 *p*

Cl 2,3 *p*

B Cl *p*

Bsn *p*

A Sax 1,2 *p*

T Sax *mp*

B Sax *p*

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2 ^{1st} *mp*

Trbn 3

Bari *mp*

Tuba

Bells
Chimes

Timp *mp*

S.C.

61

62

63

64

65

66

Fl 1,2

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax 1,2

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Trbn 3

Bari

Tuba

Bells
Chimes

Timp

S.C.

mf *f*

75

76

77

78

79

80

Very Slowly $\text{♩} = 66$ *rit.*

Fl 1,2 *pp*

Ob *pp*

Cl 1 *pp* *p* *pp*

Cl 2,3 *pp* *p* *pp*

B Cl *p* *pp*

Bsn *p* *pp*

A Sax 1,2 *p* *pp*

T Sax *p* *pp*

B Sax

Tpt 1 *opt. 1 player* *p*

Tpt 2,3 *p*

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2 *pp*

Trbn 3 *pp*

Bari *pp*

Tuba *p* *pp*

Bells Chimes *pp*

Timp *p* *pp*

S.C.

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