

Ah! May the Red Rose Live Alway!

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Not too fast

The piano introduction is in 6/8 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of five measures. The right hand plays a series of chords, while the left hand plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The melody begins in the fifth measure with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp.

The vocal and piano accompaniment section begins at measure 6. The vocal line is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp. The piano accompaniment is in 6/8 time with a key signature of one sharp. The section includes three verses of lyrics and a repeat sign at the end.

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A G

1. Ah! may the red rose
2. Long may the dai - sies
3. Lulled be the dirge in

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Ah! May the Red Rose Live Away!

Em C G D7 G D7 G

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live al - way, To smile up - on earth and sky! — Why should the beau - ti - ful
 dance the — field, — fro - ick - ing far and near! — Why should the in - no - cent
 the cy - press bough, That tells of de - part - ed flow'rs! Ah! that the but - ter - fly's

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Em Am G D7 G B D

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ev - er weep? Why should the beau - ti - ful die? — Lend - ing a charm — to
 hide their heads? Why should the in - no - cent fear? Spread - ing their pet - als in
 gild - ed wing Flut - tered in ev - er - green bow'rs! Sad is my heart for the

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G D A A7

ev - 'ry ray That falls on her cheeks of light. _____
 mute de - light When morn in its ra - diance breaks, _____
 blight - ed plants. Its pleas - ures are aye as brief. _____

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D G A7 D *ad lib.*

Giv - ing the zeph - yr _____ kiss for kiss, And _____ nur - sing the dew - drop bright. _____
 Keep - ing a flo - ral _____ fes - ti - val Till the night - lov - ing prim - rose wakes. _____
 They bloom at the young year's joy - ful call, And _____ fade with the au - tumn leaf. _____

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ad lib.

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C *a tempo*

G Em C G D7 G D7

25 Ah! may the red rose live al - way, To smile up - on earth and sky! ____
 Long may the dai - sies dance the field, ____ fro - ick - ing far and near! ____
 Ah! may the red rose live al - way, To smile up - on earth and sky! ____

29 G Em Am G *ad lib.* D7 G

Why should the beau - ti - ful ev - er weep? Why should the beau - ti - ful die? ____
 Why should the in - no - cent hide their heads? Why should the in - no - cent fear? ____
 Why should the beau - ti - ful ev - er weep? Why should the beau - ti - ful die? ____

ad lib.

The musical score is written for voice, piano, and guitar. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The score is divided into two systems. The first system, marked 'a tempo', begins at measure 25 and includes a vocal line with lyrics, a piano accompaniment, and a guitar line with chords (G, Em, C, G, D7, G, D7). The second system, marked 'ad lib.', begins at measure 29 and includes a vocal line with lyrics, a piano accompaniment, and a guitar line with chords (G, Em, Am, G, D7, G). The lyrics are: 'Ah! may the red rose live al - way, To smile up - on earth and sky! ____ Long may the dai - sies dance the field, ____ fro - ick - ing far and near! ____ Ah! may the red rose live al - way, To smile up - on earth and sky! ____' and 'Why should the beau - ti - ful ev - er weep? Why should the beau - ti - ful die? ____ Why should the in - no - cent hide their heads? Why should the in - no - cent fear? ____ Why should the beau - ti - ful ev - er weep? Why should the beau - ti - ful die? ____'. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

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The musical score is arranged in two systems. The first system consists of four staves: three vocal staves (Soprano, Alto, and Bass) and a grand staff for piano accompaniment. The vocal staves are marked with measure numbers 33 and contain whole rests. The piano accompaniment begins at measure 33 with a melody in the right hand and chords in the left hand. The second system also consists of four staves, with the vocal staves marked with measure numbers 38 and containing whole rests. The piano accompaniment continues from measure 38, featuring a more active melody in the right hand and chords in the left hand, concluding with a final chord and a fermata.