

# Ah! May the Red Rose Live Alway!

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Not too fast

The musical score consists of 14 staves, each representing a different instrument or voice part. The instruments listed from top to bottom are: Bassoon (Bassoon), Bassoon (Bassoon), Bassoon (Bassoon), Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Cello, Contrabass, Bassoon (Bassoon), Bassoon (Bassoon), Bass Clarinet, Alto Sax., Baritone Sax., Horn in F 1, and Horn in F 2. The score is set in common time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music begins with a period of silence followed by rhythmic patterns on the bassoon and other instruments, leading into a more complex harmonic section with sustained notes and eighth-note patterns.

## Ah! May the Red Rose Live Alway!

A

G Em C G D7 G D7 G Em Am

1. Ah! may the red rose live al - way, To smile up - on earth and sky! Why should the beau - ti - ful ev - er weep?  
 2. Long may the dai - sies dance the field, frol - ick - ing far and near! Why should the in - no - cent hide their heads?  
 3. Lulled be the dirge in the cy - press bough, That tells of de - part - ed flow'rs! Ah! that the but - ter - fly's gild - ed wing

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Bb 1

Bb 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

15 G D7 G D G A A7

15  
15  
15  
15  
15  
Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.  
Cb.  
Bb 1  
Bb 2  
B. Cl.  
A. Sx.  
B. Sx.  
Hn. 1  
Hn. 2

D G A7 D ad lib. C G a tempo E<sup>m</sup> C  
 21 Giv - ing the zeph - yr \_\_\_\_\_ kiss for kiss, And \_\_  
 Keep - ing a flo - ral \_\_\_\_\_ fes - ti - val Till the nur - sing the dew - drop  
 They bloom at the young year's joy - ful call, And \_\_ night - lov - ing prim - rose bright. \_\_\_\_\_ Ah! may the red rose live al - way,  
 21 \_\_\_\_\_ fades with the au - tumn wakes. \_\_\_\_\_ Long may the dai - sies To dance the field, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ leaf. \_\_\_\_\_ Ah! may the red rose live al - way, To  
 21 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ad lib.  
 Vln. 1 ad lib.  
 Vln. 2 ad lib.  
 Vla. ad lib.  
 Vc. ad lib.  
 Cb. ad lib.  
 Bb 1 ad lib.  
 Bb 2 ad lib.  
 B. Cl. ad lib.  
 A. Sx. ad lib.  
 B. Sx. ad lib.  
 Hn. 1 ad lib.  
 Hn. 2 ad lib.

27 G D7 G D7 G Em Am G ad lib. D7 G D

smile up-on earth and frol - ick-ing far and smile up-on earth and sky!  
Why should the beau - ti - ful near!  
Why should the in - no-cent Why should the beau - ti - ful ev - er weep?  
hide their heads? ev - er weep?  
Why should the beau - ti - ful die?  
Why should the in - no-cent fear?  
Why should the beau - ti - ful die?

Vln. 1  
Vln. 2  
Vla.  
Vc.  
Cb.  
Bb 1  
Bb 2  
B. Cl.  
A. Sx.  
B. Sx.  
Hn. 1  
Hn. 2

34

34

34

34

34

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Bb 1

Bb 2

B. Cl.

A. Sx.

B. Sx.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2