

96 To Be Sung on the Water

Ars Cantandi

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With a steady motion, rather fast ♩ = 66

mp espr.

Sopraan

Alt

Tenor

Bas

p sotto voce, leggiero

sim.

Beau-ti - ful, — my de-

Beau-ti - ful, — my de-

Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, Beau-ti - ful, —

Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, Beau-ti - ful, —

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S

A

T

B

light, Pass as we pass the wave

light, Pass, as we pass the wave

my de-light, — Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, —

my de-light, — Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, —

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S Pass, as the mot - tled night Leaves what it can - not ____

A Pass, as the mot - tled night Leaves what it can - not ____

T 8 Beau-ti - ful, ____ my de-light, ____ Beau-ti - ful, ____

B Beau-ti - ful, ____ my de-light, ____ Beau-ti - ful, ____

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S save, *f* Scat-ter - ing ____ dark and bright,

A save, *f* Scat-ter - ing ____ dark and bright,

T 8 my de-light ____ *f* Scat-ter-ing ____ dark and bright,

B my de-light ____ *f* Scat-ter-ing ____ dark and bright,

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S *p* 3 Scat-ter-ing dark and bright, *mf* Beau-ti - ful, ____

A *p* 3 Scat-ter-ing dark and bright, *mf* Beau-ti - ful, ____

T 8 *p* Scat-ter-ing ____ dark and bright, *mf espr.* Beau-ti - ful, ____ pass and

B *p* Scat-ter-ing ____ dark and bright, *mf espr.* Beau-ti - ful, ____ pass and

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S my de-light, — Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, —

A my de-light, — Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, —

T 8 be Less than the quilt - less shade — To

B be Less than the quilt - less shade — To

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S Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, — To which our vows were

A Beau-ti - ful, — my de-light, — To which our vows were

T 8 which our vows were said; Beau-ti - ful, —

B Which our vows were said; Beau-ti - ful, —

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S said; Beau-ti - ful, — my de - light, —

A said; Beau-ti - ful, — my de - light, —

T 8 my de - light, — Less than the sound of the oar — To

B my de - light, — Less than the sound of the oar — To

mf *f espr.* *f espr.*

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f espr.

S Beau-ti-ful, Less that the sound of the oar To

A Beau-ti-ful, Less that the sound of the oar To

T 8 which our vows were made, to which our vows were made

B which our vows were made, to which our vows were made

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mp

S which our vows were made, Less than the sound of its

A which our vows were made, Less than the sound of its

T 8 our vows were made, Beau-ti-ful

B our vows were made, Beau-ti-ful

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p (*senza rall.*)

S blade Dip-ping the stream once more

A blade Dip-ping the stream once more my de-

T 8 my de-light, Beau-ti-ful, my de-light,

B my de-light, Beau-ti-ful, my de-light,

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S *pp* (like an echo) Beau-ti-ful _____ my de-

A *pp* (like an echo) Beau-ti-ful _____ my de-

T 8 Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de - light, _____ Beau-ti-ful, _____

B Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de - light, _____ Beau-ti-ful, _____

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S *poco* light, Pass, as we pass the wave.

A *poco* light, Pass, as we pass the wave.

T 8 my de-light, _____ Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, _____

B my de-light, _____ Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, _____

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S *pp* Pass as the mot - tled night Leaves what it can - not _____

A *pp* Pass as the mot - tled night Leaves what it can - not _____

T 8 Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, _____ Beau-ti-ful, _____

B *pp* Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, _____ Beau-ti-ful, _____

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S *ppp*
save. Less than the sound _____ of its blade

A *ppp*
save. Less than the sound _____ of its blade

T *ppp*
my de-light, Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, _____

B *ppp*
my de-light, Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, _____

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S *allargrando*
Dip-ping the stream once more.

A *allargrando* *dim.*
Dip-ping the stream once more, _____ once more, _____ once more.

T *allargrando*
Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, once more, once more.

B *allargrando*
Beau-ti-ful, _____ my de-light, once more, once more.