

Fly Singing Bird

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$\text{♩} = 88$ **Allegro** A

Soprano 1
Fly, sing-ing bird, fly, — fly, sing-ing bird, fly, —

Soprano 2
Fly, sing-ing bird, fly, — fly, sing-ing bird, fly, —

Alto
Fly, sing-ing bird, fly, — fly, sing-ing bird, fly, —

15 *p* *cresc.*

S1
From the wood where lies shel-ter'd thy nest, From the tree whence thou pour-est thy song,

S2
From the wood where lies shel-ter'd thy nest, From the tree, the tree whence thou pour-est thy song,

A
From the wood where lies shel-ter'd thy nest, From the tree, the tree whence thou pour-est thy song,

19 *f* *ff* *p*

S1
From the tree whence thou pour - est thy song,

S2
from the tree whence thou pour - est thy song,

A
from the tree whence thou pour - est thy song,

B

25 *p dolce*

S1 Fly — a-way far a-way to the west, Fly — a-way, far a-way; far a-

S2

A

C

32 *mp* *pp*

S1 way to the west, Tell my love that I wait,

S2 Tell my love that I wait,

A Tell me love that I wait, tell my love that I

pp *cresc.*

39 *p cresc.* *f*

S1 that I wait, Ah! too long, too long and lone -

S2 Ah! too long and lone - ly;

A wait, Ah! too long, I

mf cresc. *f*

44 *p* **D**

S1 ly, I sigh.

S2 I sigh

A wait and sigh

p

5

E

53 *f*

S1 Fly, sing - ing bird, fly, — fly, sing - ing bird, fly,

S2 Fly, sing - ing bird, fly, — fly, sing - ing bird, fly,

A Fly, sing - ing bird, fly, — fly, sing - ing bird, fly

57 *p*

S1 O'er the blos-som-ing mea - dows, where grow Yel - low cow-slips and

S2 O'er the blos-som-ing mea - dows, where grow Yel - low, yel - low cow-slips and

A O'er the blos-som-ing mea - dows, where grow Yel - low, yel - low cow-slips and

60 *f* *ff*

S1 daf - fo - dils pale, yel - low cow-slips and daf - fo - dils pale.

S2 daf - fo - dils pale, yel - low cow-slips and daf - fo - dils pale

A daf - fo - dils pale, yel - low cow-slips and daf - fo - dils pale

F

65 *p dolce*

S1 Say — I wait where a - ne - mo - nes — blow, say — I

S2

A

72 G

mp *pp*

S1 wait, say I wait, where a - ne-mo-nes blow, wea - ry wait, wea-ry

S2 *pp*
Wea - ry wait, wea-ry wait

A *pp*
Wea - ry wait, wea-ry wait,

79 *p cresc.*

S1 wait, till with wai - ting I fail, And fail -

S2 *mf cresc.*
till with wait - ing, I fail, And

A *cresc.*
till with wait - ing, I fail, till with wait - ing, I

86 H *mf dim.* *pp*

S1 - ing I sigh, and fail-ing I sigh Fly, sing-ing bird, fly,

S2 *mf dim.* *pp*
fail-ing, fail - ing, I sigh

A *mf dim.* *pp* *tranquillo*
fail, And fail - ing, I sigh. Fly, sing-ing bird, fly, Leave thy

94 L J *p*

S1

S2 Leave the

A nest 'midst the wood, 'midst the wood, lone, un - sought,

102 *mf*

S1 And swift, and

S2 cra - dling boughs, — spread thy wing, spread thy wing, —

A

110

S1 swift as my fol - low - ing thought,

S2

A *p* *dim.*

On - ward speed, on - ward speed, and swift-

K *pp* *cresc. <*

S1 Come, or I die, — I die, — On-ward

S2 *pp* Come, or I die, — I die, —

A *pp* fly-ing, still sing, — On-ward speed, and still sing, —

124 *ff* **L**

S1 speed, and still sing, — On - ward speed, and still sing, still

S2 *p* *ff* On - ward speed, and swift fly - ing, swift fly - ing, still sing, still

A *mp* *ff* On - ward speed, and swift fly - ing, still sing, still

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S1
sing, and swift fly - ing, sing, Come, oh

S2
sing and swift fly - ing, sing, Come, oh

A
sing, and swift fly - ing, sing, come, oh

fz *p*

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S1
come, or I die!

S2
come, or I die!

A
come, or I die!

dim. *pp* *dim.*