

FIVE SKETCHES FROM FINLAND

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Karelian Dance

Karelsk Dans

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Allegro con spirito

Piano

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A musical score for piano, consisting of five staves of music. The music is in common time and uses a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score includes dynamic markings such as *sfz*, *p*, and *cresc.*. The first staff features a treble clef and a bass clef. The second staff features a treble clef. The third staff features a treble clef. The fourth staff features a treble clef. The fifth staff features a bass clef. The music consists of various note heads, stems, and beams, with some notes having small 'A' or '^' symbols above them. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines.

II
Minuet

Selim Palmgren, Op. 31, N° 2

In tempo di minuetto (non troppo presto)

Piano

The musical score for the piano consists of four systems of music, each with two staves: Treble and Bass. The key signature is A major (three sharps). The time signature is common time (indicated by '4'). The dynamics include 'mp' (mezzo-piano), 'p.' (pianissimo), and 'dim.' (diminuendo). The music features eighth-note patterns and sixteenth-note chords.

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con anima

p

pp

pp

#8:

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The image shows five staves of piano sheet music. The top staff begins with a dynamic *p*. The second staff starts with a dynamic *pp*. The third staff starts with a dynamic *pp*. The fourth staff ends with a dynamic *pp*. The fifth staff ends with a dynamic *#8:*. The music consists of eighth-note patterns and sixteenth-note chords, with various dynamics and performance instructions like *con anima*.

III
A Guilty Conscience
Det Onda Samvetet

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Vivace assai

Piano

sotto voce

espressivo

cresc.

sffz

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pp subito

sempre pp

f

sempre pp

sfz

cresc.

sfz

espressivo

smorzando

ffz subito

pp subito

dim.

ppp

Minuet Waltz*

Selim Palmgren, Op. 31, N° 4

Piano

*After a popular air from West Finland

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Musical score for piano, page 10, measures 10-16. The score consists of two staves: treble and bass. The key signature is three sharps (F major). Measure 10 starts with a dynamic of *mf*. Measures 11-12 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 13 begins with a dynamic of *cresc.* Measures 14-15 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 16 begins with a dynamic of *f*. Measures 17-18 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 19 begins with a dynamic of *cresc.*. Measures 20-21 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 22 begins with a dynamic of *f*, followed by *pp subito*. Measures 23-24 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 25 begins with a dynamic of *p.* Measures 26-27 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 28 begins with a dynamic of *p.* Measures 29-30 show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 31 begins with a dynamic of *mf*.

Musical score for piano, page 11, featuring five staves of music. The score consists of two systems of measures.

Staff 1 (Top): Measures 1-2. Treble clef, key signature of three sharps. Dynamics: $\#p$, $\#p$. Measure 2 ends with a repeat sign.

Staff 2: Measures 3-4. Treble clef, key signature of three sharps. Dynamics: *cresc.*, *f*.

Staff 3: Measures 5-6. Treble clef, key signature of three sharps. Dynamics: $\#p$, *cresc.*, *f*.

Staff 4: Measures 7-8. Treble clef, key signature of three sharps. Dynamics: *pp subito*.

Staff 5: Measures 9-10. Treble clef, key signature of three sharps. Dynamics: *cresc. molto*, *ff*, *riten. molto*.

V

Finlandish Dance*

Vestfinsk Dans

Selim Palmgren, Op. 31, № 5

Allegretto grazioso

Piano

Allegretto grazioso

The image shows four staves of piano sheet music. The first staff uses a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The second staff uses a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The third staff uses a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The fourth staff uses a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music consists of measures separated by vertical bar lines. Measure 1 starts with a dynamic *p*. Measures 2-4 show a continuation of the melodic line. Measure 5 begins with a dynamic *p*. Measure 6 starts with a dynamic *p*. Measure 7 starts with a dynamic *p*. Measure 8 starts with a dynamic *p*. The word *lusinghevole* is written below the bass staff in measure 8.

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Musical score for piano, page 13, featuring five staves of music. The score consists of two systems of measures. The first system starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and common time. The second system begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and common time. Measure 1 (top staff) shows eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measure 2 (second staff) includes dynamic markings *p* and *pp dolce*. Measures 3-4 (third staff) show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measures 5-6 (fourth staff) show eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Measures 7-8 (bottom staff) show eighth-note patterns with grace notes, ending with a fermata over the eighth note of measure 8.

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Played upon the kalipac."

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Piano

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And as I sipped the wine . . . I remembered me of
Stalward noble things that I had long since
Resolutely planned . . . maybe that I then
Slept. Or, if I did not, I do not now minutely
Recollect every detail of that morning?
Occupations.

From "Idle days on the Yana"
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Lento (d.) ma raffivando il tempo gradatamente

Piano

sotto voce

rit. ten. a tempo accel.

rit. ten. oroso

rit. ten. oroso

col Pedale

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Dreamer's Tales (No. 2)

"And the butterflies sang of strange and painted
Things, of purple orchids, and of lost pink
Cities, and the monstrous colours of the
Jungle's decay!"

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Lento

Piano

pp

a tempo

pp mf con sonorita

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"But danced idly as some haughty
Queen of distant conquered lands might
In her poverty and exile dance, in some
Encampment of the gypsies, for the mere
Bread to live by, but beyond that
Would never abate her pride to dance
For a fragment more."

From "Idle days on the Yana"
Lord Dunsany

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Lentamente e languidamente

Piano

p

col Pedale

Mestamente

p

col Pedale

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Edited by George West.

Cradle Song
(Refrain de berceau) SELIM PALMGREN

Tres tranquille

Piano

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The Swan Svanen

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Molto lento
dolce espressivo

Piano

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The Isle of Shadows Skuggornas ö

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Piaceido
pp sempre

Piano

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