

KING ARTHUR

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en cinq actes

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OUVERTURE

The sheet music consists of 15 staves of musical notation, numbered 1 through 48. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The time signature starts at common time (C) and changes to 2/4 at measure 21. The tempo is Allegro, indicated by the word "Allegro" above the staff at measure 21.

Measure 1: Treble clef, B-flat key signature. Dynamics: f, p, f, p.

Measure 5: Dynamics: f, p, f.

Measure 9: Dynamics: p, f.

Measure 13: Dynamics: f.

Measure 17: Dynamics: f.

Measure 21: Key signature changes to 2/4 time. Dynamics: 2.

Measure 26: Dynamics: f.

Measure 29: Dynamics: f.

Measure 32: Dynamics: f.

Measure 35: Dynamics: f.

Measure 38: Dynamics: f.

Measure 41: Dynamics: f.

Measure 44: Dynamics: f.

Measure 48: Dynamics: f.

Acte premier

Maestoso

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. The first staff starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and common time. It begins with a series of eighth-note pairs. Subsequent staves include lyrics such as "PREMIER PRÊTRE SAXON", "CHŒUR", "SECOND PRÊTRE SAXON", and "PREMIER PRÊTRE SAXON". The score includes dynamics like *p* (piano) and *f* (fortissimo). Measure numbers 7, 13, 18, 24, 29, 34, 39, 44, 65, 70, and 75 are marked along the left side. A section of 16 measures is indicated by a bracket above staff 44.

Solo – The lot is cast

TACET .

Chœur – Brave souls, to be renow'd

The score continues from measure 94. The first measure shows a rest followed by a melodic line. Measures 95 through 98 show rhythmic patterns involving eighth and sixteenth notes.

99

104

110

116

123

130

136

Allegro

8 26 CHŒUR

181

187

192

196

201

205

Symphonie militaire

TACET .

Solo & chœur – Come, if you dare

TACET .

Acte deux

Introduction



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Symphonie



30



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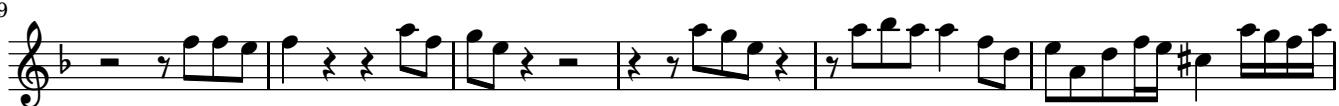


Solo & chœur – Hither, this way bend

Andante



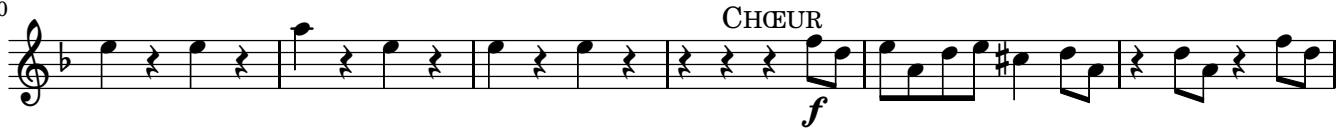
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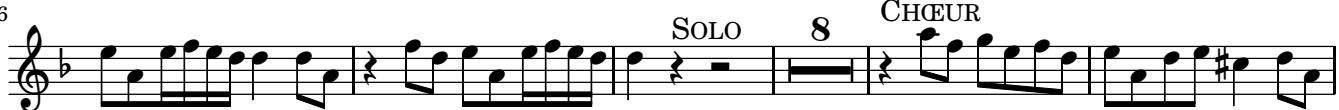
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Solo – Let not a moon-born elf

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Chœur – Hither, this way

Chœur – Come, follow me

Solo & chœur – How blessed are shepherds

Andante

258

268

285

310

320

336

360

Duo – Shepherd, shepherd, leave decoying

TACET .

Chœur – Come, shepherds, lead up a lively measure

419

424

Hornpipe

436

441

Acte trois

Maestoso

The musical score consists of ten staves of music for a single instrument. The first three staves are in common time (C) and common key (G). The fourth staff begins at measure 4, the fifth at 7, the sixth at 10, and so on. Measure 10 includes a key change to A major. The dynamics are indicated by 'p' (piano), 'f' (fortissimo), and 'rall.' (rallentando).

Récitatif – What oh! thou Genious of the clime **TACET .**

Solo – What power art thou?

33

37

41

45

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60

Solo – Thou doating fool

TACET .

Solo – Great Love, I know thee now

112

119

124

Récitatif – No part of my dominions

TACET .

Prélude

148

154

160

166

171

Chœur – See, we assemble

182

187

192

197

202

207

211

Solo – 'T is I that have warm'd ye

Vivace 19

238

Chœur – 'T is love that has warm'd us

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Duo – Sound a parley, ye fair

Andante

313

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341

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377

385

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401

409

Hornpipe

422

426

Acte quatre

Duo – Two daughters of this aged stream
Passacaille

TACET.

Musical score for Acte quatre, featuring two staves of music with various dynamics, measures numbered from 61 to 286, and vocal parts labeled SOLO, CHŒUR, DUO, NYMPHES, and SYLVAINS.

The score consists of two staves of music. The top staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 3/4 time signature. The bottom staff begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 3/4 time signature. The music includes dynamic markings such as **3**, **4**, and **SOLO**, **CHŒUR**, **DUO**, **NYMPHES**, and **SYLVAINS**.

Measures 61–103:

- Measure 61: Treble staff starts with a dotted half note followed by eighth notes.
- Measure 75: Bass staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.
- Measure 93: Treble staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.
- Measure 103: Treble staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns. The vocal parts **SOLO** and **CHŒUR** are indicated.

Measures 124–140:

- Measure 124: Treble staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.
- Measure 140: Bass staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.

Measures 147–169:

- Measure 147: Treble staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.
- Measure 169: Bass staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.

Measures 180–229:

- Measure 180: Treble staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns. The vocal parts **DUO**, **41**, and **CHŒUR** are indicated.
- Measure 229: Bass staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.

Measures 238–286:

- Measure 238: Treble staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns. The vocal parts **NYMPHES**, **SYLVAINS**, **15**, **12**, **NYMPHES**, **7**, and **CHŒUR** are indicated.
- Measure 286: Bass staff starts with eighth notes followed by sixteenth-note patterns.

Acte cinq

Air – Ye blustering brethren

Allegro

The musical score consists of 15 staves of music. The first 29 staves are in common time (indicated by 'C') and G clef. From staff 30 onwards, the time signature changes to $\frac{3}{4}$ and the key signature changes to B-flat major (two flats). The tempo is marked 'Andante' at staff 32. The score features a single melodic line with various note heads and stems, some with slurs and grace notes.

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Musical score showing two staves of music. The top staff starts at measure 56 with a treble clef, two flats, and a dotted half note followed by eighth-note pairs. The bottom staff starts at measure 62 with a treble clef, two flats, and eighth-note pairs.

Symphonie

Andante maestoso

Musical score showing six staves of music. Staff 1 (measures 71-72) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 2 (measures 73-74) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 3 (measures 75-76) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 4 (measures 77-78) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 5 (measures 79-80) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 6 (measures 81-82) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Measure 85 includes a measure repeat sign. Measures 90-93 show a transition with different rhythms and dynamics.

Symphonie

Musical score showing five staves of music. Staff 1 (measures 104-105) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 2 (measures 106-107) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 3 (measures 108-109) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 4 (measures 110-111) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Staff 5 (measures 112-113) has a treble clef, common time, and eighth-note pairs. Measures 116-117 show a transition with different rhythms and dynamics.

Duo & chœur – Round thy coasts

133

139

152

165

170

CHŒUR DES PÊCHEURS

8

Air en trio – For folded flocks

TACET.

Air – Fairest Isle, all isles excelling

232

240

Dialogue – You say 't is Love creates the pain

TACET.

Sonnerie de trompettes

439

444

Air – St. George, the patron of our Isle

TACET.

Chœur – Our natives not alone appear

562

La grande danse

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Annexe

Maestoso

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22 **Allegro**

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