

Henry Purcell

“DIDO AND AENEAS”



an Opera

Edited by John Henry Fowler
Part constructed by Bart Dunn

BASSO

This part has been constructed from the edition of Dido and Aeneas edited by John Henry Fowler. His edition is available through the Choral Public Domain Library. Mr. Fowler also has created orchestra parts for the opera. However, the basso part does not include text and vocal parts for recitatives. This new part is simply a combination of Mr. Fowler's score and basso part. Its intention is to provide a cleaner and more easily performable part for the player. Note: Most page turns occur very swiftly, this is not noted in the part.

As Mr. Folwer's score is free to use for study and performance, so is this present part. If you do use this part for performance, please send me an email and let me know.

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This edition can be fully distributed, duplicated, performed, and recorded

1. Overture

Adagio

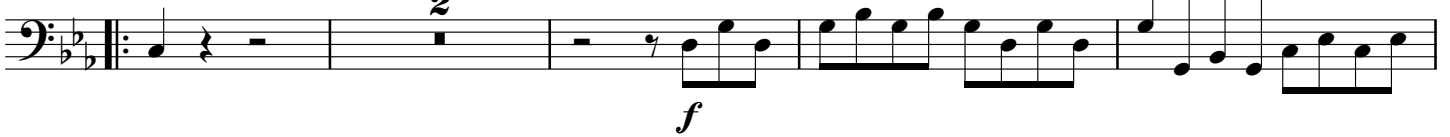


7



Allegro

13



19



23



27



31



35



2. Aria - Chorus

Allegretto

Measures 1-21 of the 2nd Aria - Chorus. The music is in bass clef, 3/2 time, and B-flat major. It features a variety of dynamics including *p*, *mf*, *f*, and *p*. Measure 14 includes a first and second ending. Measure 21 ends with a repeat sign.

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3. Aria - Ritornello

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4. Trio - Dido - Belinda - 2nd Woman

Slow

5

10

Grief in-crea-ses by con - ceal-ing. Mine ad-mits of no re veal-ing Then let me speak The Tro-jan guest in-to your

ten-der thoughts has press'd The great-est bless-ing Fate can give Our Car-thage to se — cure, and Troy re -

vive. the grest-est bless-ing Fate can give Our Car - thage to se — cure and Troy Re vive.

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a vocal trio. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has a 4/4 time signature and a key signature of two flats. The second system starts with a 5-measure rest in the bass line, then changes to a 3/2 time signature. The third system starts with a 10-measure rest in the bass line. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves, and the piano accompaniment is shown on the grand staves.

5. Chorus - When Monarchs Unite

Allegro

7

f

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a chorus. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a 3/4 time signature and a key signature of two flats. The second system starts with a 7-measure rest in the bass line. The tempo is marked 'Allegro' and the dynamics are marked 'f' (forte).

6. Trio - Dido - Belinda - 2nd Woman

Slow

Whence could so much vir - tue spring? What storms, What bat - tles did he sing? An - chi - ses' va

our mixt with Ve - nus' charms, How soft, How soft in peace, and yet how fierce, how fierce in

arms? A tale so strong and full of woe might melt the rocks as well as you. What

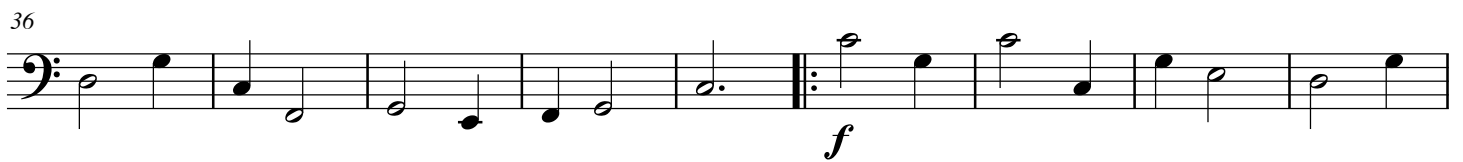
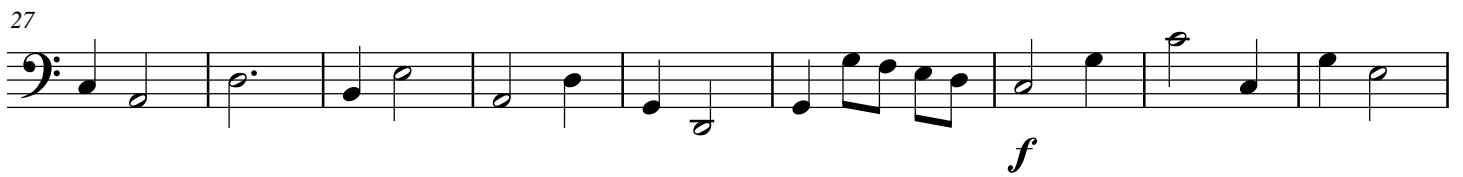
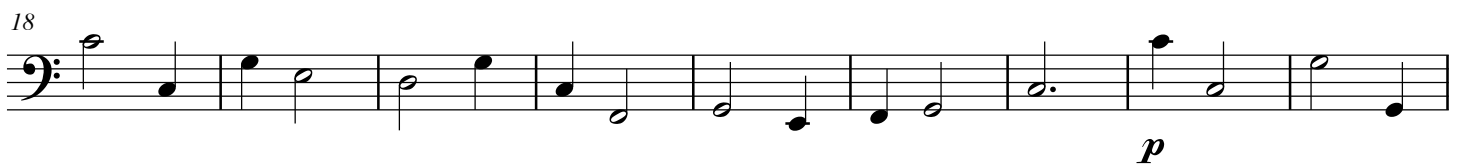
stu - born hear un - mov'd could see Such dis - tress, such pi - e-ty? Mine with Storms of

care op - prest Is taught to pi - ty the dis tress. Mean wretch - es grief can tough So

soft so sen - si - ble my breast; But ah! but ah! I fear I pi - ty him too much

7. Duet and Chorus - Fear No Danger

Allegro



8. Recitative - Dido - Belinda - Aeneas

See, see, your Roy - al guest ap - pears; How God - like is the form he bears! When,

5 when, roy - al fair, shall I be blest, With cares of — love and state — dis - trest? Fate for - bids what you pur -

9 sue. Ae - ne - as has no fate but you! Let Di - do smile and I'll se - fy the fee - ble — stroke of des - ti - ny.

Detailed description: This block contains the first system of a musical score for recitative. It consists of three systems of staves, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system (measures 1-4) has lyrics: 'See, see, your Roy - al guest ap - pears; How God - like is the form he bears! When,'. The second system (measures 5-8) has lyrics: 'when, roy - al fair, shall I be blest, With cares of — love and state — dis - trest? Fate for - bids what you pur -'. The third system (measures 9-12) has lyrics: 'sue. Ae - ne - as has no fate but you! Let Di - do smile and I'll se - fy the fee - ble — stroke of des - ti - ny.' The music is in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation includes various note values, rests, and slurs.

9. Chorus - Cupid only throws the dart

3

mp

8

12

mp

Detailed description: This block contains the second system of a musical score for a chorus. It consists of three systems of staves, each with a single bass staff. The first system (measures 1-4) has a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' above it. The second system (measures 5-8) and the third system (measures 9-12) continue the melody. The music is in 2/2 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation includes various note values, rests, and slurs. The dynamic marking 'mp' (mezzo-piano) is present at the beginning and end of the system.

10. Aria - Aeneas - If not for mine

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4/4

If not for mine, for Em - pire's sake some pi - ty on your lo - ver take; ah! ah! make not, in a

f

5

hope less fire, a he - ro fall and Troy once more e - pire.

Detailed description: This musical score is for a 4/4 time signature. The vocal line is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The piano accompaniment is in bass clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are: 'If not for mine, for Em - pire's sake some pi - ty on your lo - ver take; ah! ah! make not, in a hope less fire, a he - ro fall and Troy once more e - pire.' The score includes a forte (*f*) dynamic marking and a measure number of 5.

11. Aria - Belinda - Pursue they conquest

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4/4

mp *mf*

5

1. 2.

p *mp* *mf*

10

15

Detailed description: This musical score is for a 4/4 time signature. The vocal line is in bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The piano accompaniment is in bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score includes dynamic markings of mezzo-piano (*mp*), mezzo-forte (*mf*), piano (*p*), and mezzo-forte (*mf*). It also includes measure numbers 5, 10, and 15, and first and second endings.

12. Chorus - To the hills and the vales

11

20

30

40

13. The Triumphant Dance

11

21

31

41

14. Prelude for the Witches

12 *f*

25 *f* *p* *mf* *f*

15. Chorus - Harm's Our Delight

f

16. Aria - The Queen of Carthage, whom we hate

The Queen of Car - thage whom we hate, As we do all in — prosp' rous state, Ere

6 sun - set shall most wretch - ed prove, De - priv'd of fame, of live — and —

17. Chorus - Ho, Ho, Ho



18. Witches' Trio - Ruin'd ere the set of sun

Musical score for the Witches' Trio. The score is written in treble and bass clefs with a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Ru-in'd ere the set of sun? tell us, Tell us, Tell us, how shall this be done The tro-ian Prince you know is bound by Fate to seek Ital-ian ground; The Queen and he". The score includes a repeat sign and a fermata. The lyrics continue: "are now in chase, Hark! Hark! the cry comes on a pace! But when they've done my trusty elf in form of Mer-cu-ry him self, As send from Jove, shall chide his stay, And charge him sail to - night which all his fleet a". The score includes a repeat sign and a fermata.

19. Chorus - Ho, Ho, Ho

Musical score for the Chorus "Ho, Ho, Ho". The score is written in bass clef with a 3/8 time signature. It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic marking and ends with a forte (*f*) dynamic marking. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes, ending with a double bar line.

20. Witch's Duet - But ere we this perform

13

1. 2.

23

1. 2.

Detailed description: This musical score is for a bass clef instrument in 3/2 time. It begins with a repeat sign. The first line contains measures 1 through 12. Measure 13 is the start of a first ending, which leads to a second ending starting at measure 23. The second ending concludes the piece with a double bar line.

21. Chorus - In a deep vaulted cell

12

23

f *pp* *f* *pp* *f* *pp* *f* *pp*

f *pp* *f* *pp* *f* *pp* *f*

pp *f* *pp* *f* *pp*

Detailed description: This musical score is for a bass clef instrument in 3/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff contains measures 1 through 11, the second staff contains measures 12 through 22, and the third staff contains measures 23 through 32. Dynamic markings of *f* (forte) and *pp* (pianissimo) are placed below various notes throughout the piece.

22. The Echo Dance of the Furies

7

14

20

f *pp* *f* *pp* *f*

pp *f* *pp* *f* *pp* *f* *pp*

f *pp* *f* *pp* *f* *pp*

f *pp* *f* *pp*

Detailed description: This musical score is for a bass clef instrument in 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff contains measures 1 through 6, the second staff contains measures 7 through 13, the third staff contains measures 14 through 19, and the fourth staff contains measures 20 through 25. Dynamic markings of *f* (forte) and *pp* (pianissimo) are placed below various notes throughout the piece.

23. Act II, Scene ii, Ritornelle

8

f *p* *f*

24a. Aria - Belinda - Thanks to these Lonesome vales

9

mf *f* *p*

24b. Chorus - Thanks to these lonesome vales

9

mf *p* *mp* *mp*

25a. Aria - 2nd Woman - Oft she visits

5 *mf*

9 *mf*

13

17 *mf*

21

25 *mf* *f* *p*

25b. Aria - 2nd Woman - Oft She visits

8 *pp*

13 *pp* *p*

26. Aria - Aeneas/Dido - Behold, upon my bending spear

Be - hold up - in my bend - ing spear A mon - ster's head stands bleed - ing, With tush - es far ex - ceed - ing Those did Ven - nus' _____ hunts - man

5
5
tear! The skies are cloud - ed; Hark! Hark! How thun _____

9
9
der Rends _____ the moun - tain oaks a - sun der!

Detailed description: This musical score is for a piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) is in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The second system (measures 5-8) starts with a key signature change to D major (two sharps) and includes a 3/4 time signature change. The third system (measures 9-12) continues in D major. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, and the piano part is written in the bass staff.

27. Aria and Chorus - Haste, haste to town

6
11
16
19
mf *f* *p* *mf* *f* *mf* *p*

Detailed description: This musical score is for a piano accompaniment. It consists of five systems of staves, all in 4/4 time and key of D major. The score includes dynamic markings: *mf* (mezzo-forte), *f* (forte), *p* (piano), and *mf* (mezzo-forte). The tempo is indicated by the number of measures per system (6, 11, 16, 19). The melody is written in the bass staff.

28. Aria - Stay Prince, and hear

Stay, Prince and hear great Jove's com - mand He sum - mons thee, this night a way To - night? To night thou must for - sake this land The

an - gry God will brook no long - er stay, Jove com - mands thee, waste no more In Love's de - lights, those

pre - cious hours, Al - low'd by th'Al - migh - ty Pow'r To gain the La - tain shore And ru - in'd Troy re - store Jove's com -

mands shall be o - bey'd To night our an - chors shall be weigh'd But ah! but ah! what lan - guage can I

try My in - jur'd Queen to pa - ci - fy, No soon - er she re - signs her heart, But from her arms

I'm forc'd to part, How can do hard a fate be took? One night en - joy'd, the next for - sook. Yours be the

blame ye gods! for I o - bey your will but with more ease could die but with more, more ease could die.

29. Chorus - Sailor's Chorus

10

f

17

25

36

ff *mf*

45

f

53

p *mf* *p*

61

f *f*

69

mf

77

84

p

90

f *p* *f*

30. Dance - The Sailor's Dance

9

16

1. 2.

f *p*

31. Witches Duet

See see, the flags and stream-ers cur-ling, an-chor weigh-ing sails un-fur-ling Phoe-bes pale de-lud-ing

5 beams Glid-ing o'er de- ceit-ful streams Our plot has took, the Queen's for sook, E-lis-sa's ruin'd Ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho

9 ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho ho E-lis-sa's ru E-lis-sa's run'd ho

13 ho! our plot has took; our plot has took, the Queen's for sook, ho

16 ho! E-lis-sa's ruin'd E-lis-sa's ruin'd ho!

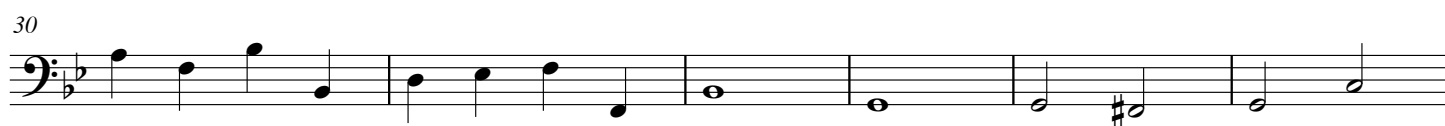
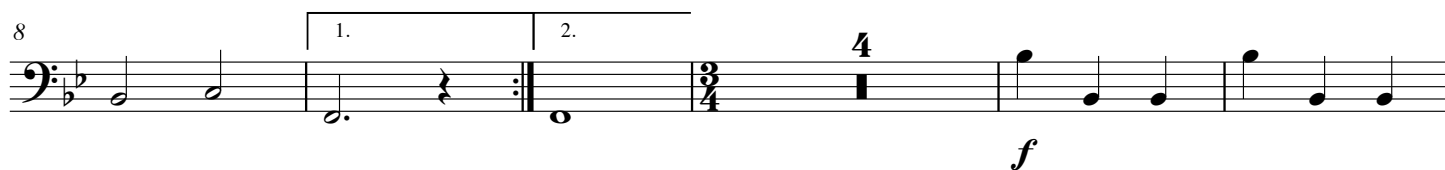
32. Sorceress's Aria

musical score for Sorceress's Aria, measures 1-14. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 3/4. The score is written in bass clef. Measure 1 starts with a repeat sign and a dynamic marking of *mf* (*p*). Measures 7-8 are marked with a first ending bracket and a dynamic marking of *p*. Measures 9-10 are marked with a second ending bracket and a dynamic marking of *f*. Measure 14 ends with a double bar line.

33. Chorus - Witches's Chorus

musical score for Chorus - Witches's Chorus, measures 1-16. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 2/2. The score is written in bass clef. Measure 1 starts with a repeat sign and a dynamic marking of *f*. Measures 7-8 are marked with a first ending bracket. Measures 12-13 are marked with a second ending bracket and a dynamic marking of *f*. Measure 16 ends with a double bar line.

34. Act III, Scene i, Witches' Dance



35. Aria/Duet - Dido - Belinda - Aeneas

Your coun-sel, all is urg'd ___ in vain; To earth and heav'n I will com-plain! To earth and Heav'n why do ___ I

p *p*

8
 call? Earth and heav'n con-spire my ___ fall; to Fate I sue, of o-ther means be-reft, the on-ly re-fuge for the wretch-ed ___

mf

14
 left. See ma-dam where the Prince a-ppears Such sor-row in his looks he bears, As would con-vince you still he's ___ true. What shall lost Ae-

p

19
 ne-as ___ do? How, how, roy-al fair, shall I im-part the God's de-cree, and tell you we must part?

mf *f*

24
 Thus, on the fat-tal bank of Nile, weeps ___ the de-ceil-ful cro-co-dile Thus hy-po-crites that mur-der act, Make Heav'n and God's the

28
 au-thors of the fact. By all that's good By all that's good no more! All that's good you have for-

p

32

swore. To your prom - is'd em - pire fly — And let for sa - ken Di - do die. In spite of Jove's com - mands I'll

f

36

stay, Of - fend the God's and love o - bey No, faith - less man, thy course pur - sue; I'm now re - solv'd as well as you. No re - pen - tance shall re - claim the in - jur'd

41

Di - do's slight - ed flame, For 'tis e - nough, what - e'er you now de - cree That you had once a thought of leav - ing me.

f

45

Let Jove say what he please I'll stay! A way a-way No, no I'll stay, a way a-way no, no I'll stay No, no I'll stay no, no, I'll stay no, no I'll stay a-way a-way a -

51

way a - Love o - bey a - way I'll stay, To death I'll fly if lon - ger you de - lay; a - way a -

55

way! But Death, a - las! I can - not shun; Death must come when he is gone.

36. Chorus - Great minds against themselves conspire

9

mf *p* *f*

This musical score is for a bass line in 2/2 time. It begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and ends with a piano (*p*) dynamic. A crescendo hairpin spans the first two measures, and a decrescendo hairpin spans the last two measures. A forte (*f*) dynamic is marked in the middle. The score is divided into two systems, with a measure rest of 9 measures indicated at the start of the second system.

37. Aria - Dido - Thy Hand, Belinda

5

p *pp*

Thy hand Be - lin - da dark _____ ness shades me. On thy bo _____ som Let me

rest More I would but Death _____ in vades me Death is now a wel - come _____ guest.

This musical score is for a vocal line in 4/4 time. It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and ends with a pianissimo (*pp*) dynamic. The score is divided into two systems, with a measure rest of 5 measures indicated at the start of the second system. The lyrics are written below the notes.

38. Dido's Lament

9

mf *pp*

1. 2.

17

This musical score is for a bass line in 3/2 time. It begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and ends with a pianissimo (*pp*) dynamic. The score is divided into three systems, with measure rests of 9 and 17 measures indicated at the start of the second and third systems, respectively. The first system ends with a repeat sign, and the second system has two endings marked 1. and 2.

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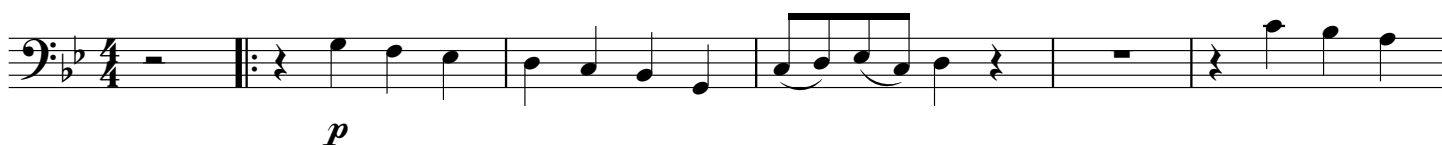
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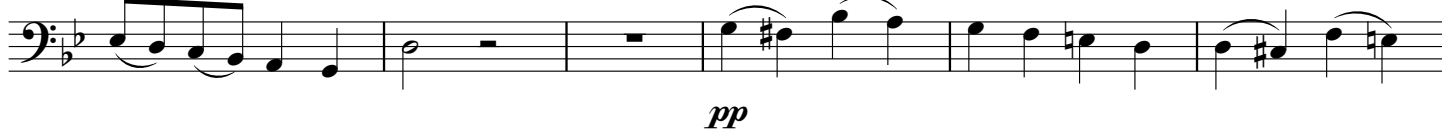
39. Chorus - With drooping wings



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12



18



23



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End of Opera