

SOMETHING TOLD THE WILD GEESE

for 2-part voices and piano
with optional PianoTrax*

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Freely (♩ = ca. 96)

PIANO

p *cresc.* *rit.* *mf*

The piano introduction is in 4/4 time, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The bass line is mostly silent, with a few notes appearing in the final measure. Dynamics range from piano (p) to mezzo-forte (mf), with a crescendo and a ritardando.

4 Wistfully (♩ = ca. 100)
PART II (or unison voices)

6 *p*

Some-thing told the wild geese

The first system of music shows the vocal line starting at measure 4. The piano accompaniment is in 3/4 time, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The piano part features a steady accompaniment of eighth notes in the right hand and quarter notes in the left hand. Dynamics include piano (p).

8

it was time to go. Though the fields lay gold - en,

The second system of music continues the vocal line from measure 8. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include piano (p).

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12 14

mp

some-thing whis - pered, "snow." Leaves were green and

15

stir - ring, ber - ries, lus - ter - glossed, but be neath warm

p

19 *poco rit.* *a tempo*

feath - ers, some-thing cau - tioned, "frost."

poco rit. *a tempo mp*

23 PART I (*or unison voices*) 25

p

Some-thing told the wild geese

p

27

it was time to go. Though the fields lay gold - en,

31

some-thing whis - pered, "snow." Leaves were green and

33 *mp*

34

stir - ring, ber - ries, lus - ter - glossed, but be - neath warm

p

38

feath - ers, some-thing cau - tioned, "frost."

poco rit. *a tempo*

poco rit. *a tempo*

44

mf

42 PART I

All the sag - ging or - chards

PART II

mf

All the sag - ging or - chards

*cresc.**mf*

46

steamed with am - ber spice, but each wild - bird stiff - ened

steamed with am - ber spice, but each wild - bird stiff - ened

50

at re - mem - bered ice. _____

at re - mem - bered ice. _____

54

rit.

59

a tempo
mf

Some-thing told the wild geese it was time to go.

Some-thing told the wild geese it was time to go.

a tempo
mf

63

Though the fields lay gold - en, some-thing whis - pered, "snow."

Though the fields lay gold - en, some-thing whis - pered, "snow."

67

f

Some-thing told the wild geese it was time to fly.

f

Some-thing told the wild geese it was time to fly.

f

71

mf

rit.

decresc.

Sum-mer sun was on their wings, win-ter in their

mf

decresc.

Sum-mer sun was on their wings, win-ter in their

mf

rit.

decresc.

75

Resolved (♩ = ca. 92)

p

rit.

pp

cry.

p

pp

cry.

Resolved (♩ = ca. 92)

p

rit.

pp

