

# The Mighty Wabash

The Wabash River is the most famous of all the rivers in Indiana. Its length of 475 miles makes it the longest free-flowing river east of the Mississippi. Beginning in Ohio on private farmland, the river travels northwest across the state, then turns south and eventually forms the border between Indiana and Illinois before joining the Ohio River. It was established as an important transportation route as early as the 1300s by Native Americans followed by French traders and colonial settlers in the 1700s. However, in the 1850s, a new railroad that ran between the cities along the river led to the decline of river transportation.

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Majestically, with energy (♩ = 108)

The musical score for "The Mighty Wabash" is written for piano in 4/4 time, key of D major (two sharps). The tempo is "Majestically, with energy" at 108 beats per minute. The score consists of 12 measures, divided into four systems of three measures each. The first system starts with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic. The second system begins with a measure rest marked with a box containing the number 4. The third system begins with a measure rest marked with a box containing the number 8 and includes a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic marking. The fourth system begins with a measure rest marked with a box containing the number 12. The piece concludes with a fermata over the final note in the fourth measure of the fourth system.