Caravan

(For Percussion Nonet and Optional Bass Guitar)

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Performance Notes

The Marimba 2 (bass clef) and Bass Guitar parts are practically identical. Performers may wish to use a bass guitar with the Marimba 2 part to help fill out the low-end frequencies and balance with the drumset. Although both marimba parts can be played on the same instrument, some of the lines may get close enough to make it uncomfortable for each player to execute their part. Therefore, it is recommended that two marimbas be used (if possible). If a second marimba is not available and the physical size of each player makes performing on one marimba impractical, the bass guitar should be used and the Marimba 2 part omitted.

If desired, a drum and/or percussion break can be inserted after measure 41, prior to the D.S. At the conclusion of the break, a cue should signal the ensemble to start playing at the D.S. (measure 9), prior to jumping to the Coda after measure 25 (as marked). If no break is desired, play as written. Although two different brake-drum pitches are indicated, two instruments aren't needed, as the two pitches can be achieved on the same drum by striking it in two different areas (one high, one low).

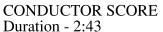
Instrumentation (Number of Players: 9–10)

- 1 Conductor Score
- 1 Orchestra Bells
- 1 Xylophone
- 1 Vibraphone
- 1 Marimba 1
- 1 Marimba 2

- 1 Bass Guitar
- 1 Drumset
- 2 Tambourine, Brake Drums
- 1 Bongos
- 1 Timbales (with two mounted cowbells)







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