

Ding Dong Merrily on High

16th Century French Carol
Arranged by David Marlatt

Instrumentation:

Piccolo / Flute - 8
Oboe - 2
Bb Clarinet 1 - 4
Bb Clarinet 2 - 4
Bb Clarinet 3 - 4
Bb Bass Clarinet - 1
Bassoon - 2
Eb Alto Saxophone 1 - 2
Eb Alto Saxophone 2 - 2
Bb Tenor Saxophone - 2
Eb Baritone Saxophone - 1
Bb Trumpet 1 - 3
Bb Trumpet 2 - 3
Bb Trumpet 3 - 3
F Horn 1 - 2
F Horn 2 - 2
Trombone 1 - 2
Trombone 2 - 2
Baritone Bass Clef - 1
Baritone Treble Clef - 1
Tuba - 2
String Bass - 1
Timpani - 1
Chimes - 1
Snare Drum, Bass Drum - 1
Crash Cymbals, Triangle - 2

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For many reasons, Christmas means joy. This tune, *Ding Dong Merrily on High*, is a wonderful musical snapshot of the whole season. In this arrangement, we hear church bells chiming, voices uniting and see people smiling. It features great tutti, instrument family and small ensemble moments to show off all aspects of the band.

Dynamic contrast will really help to bring this piece alive. There are many sections of a full dynamic. This is contrasted by lighter sections - these must be played at the appropriate dynamic to create the variety in sound.

There is a moment for your principal clarinet player to explore a range outside what is common for this level. This is a great opportunity for them to find those notes on their instrument and work on keeping them under control.

The higher melody lines in the 1st clarinets have been divided. Depending on the size of the band and the control of the players, the split of who plays the higher and lower octave should be experimented with during rehearsals. The bright brilliance of this upper register should be achieved without allowing the sound to get wild and completely dominate the texture.

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Joyfully ♩ = 152

no Picc. 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Flute Piccolo *f*

Oboe *f*

B♭ Clarinet 1 *f* opt. 1 player only *mf*

B♭ Clarinet 2,3 *f* *mp*

B♭ Bass Clarinet *f* *mp*

Bassoon *f*

E♭ Alto Saxophone 1,2 *f* *mp*

B♭ Tenor Saxophone *f* *mp*

E♭ Baritone Saxophone *f* *mp*

B♭ Trumpet 1 *f*

B♭ Trumpet 2,3 *f*

F Horn 1,2 *f*

Trombone 1,2 *f*

Baritone *f*

Tuba *f*

Timpani B♭-C-E♭ *f*

Chimes *f*

PREVIEW ONLY

11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chimes

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29

Fl Picc *mf*

Ob *mf*

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl *mf*

Bsn *mf*

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax *mf*

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp *mf*

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chim

tutti div.

mf

mf

mf

PREVIEW ONLY

39

40

41

42

43

44

45

46

47

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

+ Picc.

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Temp

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

57

58

59

60

61

62

63

64

65

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chim

1 player per line

mf

mf

mf

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102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax *mf*

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

111

112

113

114

115

116

117

118

119

Fl Picc *mp*

Ob *mp*

Cl 1 *mp*

Cl 2,3 *mp*

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax *mp*

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1 *mp*

Tpt 2,3 *mp*

Hn 1,2 *a2 mp*

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128

Fl Picc + Picc. top split *mp* div.

Ob *mp*

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl *mf*

Bsn *mf*

A Sax

T Sax *mf*

B Sax *mf*

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2 *a2* *mf*

Bari *mf*

Tuba *mf*

Timp *mf*

Chim

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129

130

131

132

133

134

135

136

137

Fl Picc. no Picc.

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Temp

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

138

139

140

141

142

143

144

145

146

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

Chimes

PREVIEW ONLY

147

148

149

150

151

152

153

154

155

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Timp

PREVIEW ONLY

156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164

Picc. bottom split

no Picc.

sub. *p*

opt. 1 player only

sub. *p*

PREVIEW ONLY

Fl Picc

Ob

Cl 1

Cl 2,3

B Cl

Bsn

A Sax

T Sax

B Sax

Tpt 1

Tpt 2,3

Hn 1,2

Trbn 1,2

Bari

Tuba

Tim

Cym

165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174

Fl Picc. *sub. f* *+ Picc.*

Ob *sub. f*

Cl 1 *sub. f*

Cl 2,3 *p* *sub. f*

B Cl *sub. f*

Bsn *sub. f*

A Sax *p* *tutti* *sub. f*

T Sax *p* *sub. f*

B Sax *sub. f*

Tpt 1 *sub. f*

Tpt 2,3 *sub. f*

Hn 1,2 *a2* *sub. f*

Trbn 1,2 *sub. f*

Bari *sub. f*

Tuba *sub. f*

Timp *sub. f*

Chimes