

BEGINNING STRING ORCHESTRA

SILENT NIGHT, COUNTRY NIGHT

By FRANZ GRUBER
Arranged by RALPH FORD

INSTRUMENTATION

- I Conductor
- 8 Ist Violin
- 8 2nd Violin
- 5 3rd Violin (Viola T.C.)
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 String Bass
- I Piano Accompaniment

PROGRAM NOTES

Set in a traditional country-waltz style inspired by the glory days of the great female country music singers, this new arrangement for your beginning string orchestra allows everyone to have the opportunity to perform the melody. This composition is not meant to be a parody of this genre, and should be performed in a sweet and gentle cantabile-swing style. While swing eighth notes prevail throughout, your young musicians have the opportunity to play with both arco and pizzicato techniques. SILENT NIGHT, COUNTRY NIGHT is a great change of pace for your next holiday concert.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

All Belwin string parts have been carefully bowed and fingered appropriately by level. The Yellow Very Beginning series includes many bowings as well as reminder fingerings for first-time readers. The Red Beginning series includes frequent bowings to assist younger players. Fingerings for altered pitches are often marked. The Green Intermediate series includes appropriately placed bowings for middle-level students. Fingerings and positions are marked for notes beyond first position. The Blue Concert series includes bowings appropriate for the experienced high school player. Fingerings and position markings are indicated for difficult passages.

Bob PhillipsBelwin/Pop String Editor

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