

The Nativity Song

for Mixed Chorus (S.A.T.B.) and Soloists and Piano

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♩ = 96

The piano introduction is in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four measures. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, while the left hand provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with quarter notes.

5 SATB

This is the sea - son, be - loved of the year.

This system contains the first line of the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is for SATB and begins with the lyrics 'This is the sea - son, be - loved of the year.' The piano accompaniment continues from the introduction, with the right hand playing chords and the left hand playing a simple bass line.

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Sing a rhyme, Christ - mas - time soon will be here.

This system contains the second line of the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'Sing a rhyme, Christ - mas - time soon will be here.' The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a simple bass line.

PERFORMANCE TIME: approx: 4:30 min

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Tell the true stor - y of Je - sus' birth When as a

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Ped. * Ped. *

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ba - by he came to the earth. This is the

(1x Alto solo with women singing oohs and upper part.
2x Baritone solo with men singing oohs and upper part.)

Ooh _____
pp
mf

This is the
This is the

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18

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Ah _____

new star shin - ing so bright. Light - ting the way on that first Christ - mas night.
sta - ble, shel - ter so bare; Cat - tle and ox - en first wel - comed him there.

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(1x SA, 2x TB)

33 This is the an - gel pro - claim - ing the birth, Sing - ing "Ho - san - na!" and "Peace on the
33 This is the man - ger, sweet hay for a bed, Wait - ing for Je - sus to cra - dle his

40 earth!"
40 head.

1 2.

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(Trio of soloists or SSA)

51 These are the shep - herds,

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hum - ble and mild, Hast - 'ning to wor - ship the

59

heav - en - ly child.

63 (Duet for soloists or TB)

These are the wise - men who fol - lowed the star.

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Frank - in - cense, gold and myrrh brought from a - far.

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75 (Solo) (Solo)

See the sweet mo - ther, Mar - y so fair, Jo - seph, who

80 SATB

guid - ed the don - key with care. See the dear ba - by

n.b. *n.b.*

ped. * *ped.* *

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of Beth - le - hem, Lit - tle Lord Je - sus, the Sa - viour of

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men. The Sa - - - - viour of men.

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