

IN E \flat $\text{G} \text{ F} \text{ E} \text{ D}$

ISLE OF MY HEART

SONG

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Music by

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Key C minor and C major.

Three crotchets to a bar.

A COMMON mistake in singing songs of this type is to take them at too slow a *tempo*. *Andante*, the composer's direction in this song, means, literally, at a walking pace, i.e. steadily, not really slowly. *Espressivo* is rather a vague term, leaving much—everything, in fact—to the taste and discretion of the performer. Let the expression be always appropriate, the natural outcome of the words or the music; never overdo it.

A succession of repeated notes is never sung or played at one level tone; a *crescendo*, *diminuendo*, or both, should be observed in performance. This will apply to the first and third lines, and other passages in "Isle of My Heart." Two examples will suffice:—

"Far, far away, where the blue waves are sleeping."

"Oh, how my heart is now longing and weeping."

Note that the *crescendo* in the first line finishes on "away"; in the other line it is continued longer. Sing the words, "Oh, how my heart," slightly *non legato*, and then rise to the word "is" just a little before the correct time, giving it rather more than its proper value. This will require care, but, properly done, it will give the required *agitato* effect. "Is now longing and weeping" must be absolutely *legato*.

The refrain should be sung with some feeling, but without affectation.

The second verse calls for no special comment. The hints given for the first will easily be applied where appropriate.

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Andante espressivo.

KEY E_b: | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : |

VOICE. 

PIANO. {
 Far, far a -
 rail
 a tempo.

 {
 - way, where the blue waves are sleep-ing, There lies an isle ever
 {
 dear un - to me: Oh, how my heart is now long-ing and
 {
 alis

If id - if is al - w - a - i - d it - self i - n - - - - is of
 weep-ing, Once more that isle, that I love so, to see! — Ever I
cello voice.

If m - is - s - if - l - i - s - i - ta - d - - - - s - - - - if -
 wan - der, in moments of dream-ing, Un - der the sky of grey,
a tempo.

rail: a tempo.
 by that old shore, — Hear that sea - mu - sic and watch the stars
a tempo.
 rail: *colla voce.*

G. t. m. h.
 gleam-ing, On - ly to wake a-gain, lone-ly once more!

ten.
cello.
ten.
cello.
*

f.c. Con amore.

Sweet isle I love so well, Where all my mem'ries dwell, My heart can never tell
Arpeggiato.

rall. ten. *a tempo.* How dear thou art! Far though I roam from thee, No land so fair can be-
rall. *a tempo.*

Still do I love thee, Dear isle of my heart!

Con espressione.

Dear isle I love, in the sea's embrace ly-ing,
rall. *a tempo.*

{ d - d - r | m - f - s | m - m - r | m - - - | t - l - d | t - l - d - r - t |
 Still mine eyes pic - ture thee, far though I roam; — Ever the sound of thy

{ l - s - e - - - | r - d - - | f - s - d | m - - - | t - l - d - t - r - s - e - t - - - |
 blue wa - ters sigh-ing Speaks to my lone - ly heart, call - ing me home. —

{ l - s - e - f - | f - m - r - s - | s - f - d | l - i - s - - | t - a - d - s - | s - e - f - f - |
 Ere I for - get thee, and all things that bind thee To this sad heart of mine,

colla voce.

{ m - s - m - | m - - - | l - i - s - f - | f - m - s - m - | s - f - m - | s - f - - -

beat less 'twill be; — Ah! but I pray that some day I may find thee,

rall. *a tempo.*

rall: colla voce.

G.t.m.l.

Jew - el of all the isles set in the seal!

rall.

Con amore.
s.d.f.C.

Sweet isle I love so well, Where all my mem'ries dwell, My heart can nev - er tell

Arpeggiato.

rall. ten. *a tempo.*

How dear thou art! Far though I roam from thee, No land so fair can be-

rall. *a tempo.*

Still do I love thee, Dear isle of my heart!

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