

TRADITIONAL
arr. Mekel Rogers

CAROL OF THE BIRDS

STRING ORCHESTRA

and OPTIONAL PERCUSSION
(A French Noël)

INSTRUMENTATION:

- 12 Violin I
- 5 Violin II (opt. Viola T.C.)
- 5 Viola
- 5 Cello
- 5 Contrabass

- 1 Piano Reduction (opt.)

- 1 Tambourine (opt.)



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ABOUT:

Dynamic contrast, simple pizzicato sections, and an optional tambourine part bring this Basque Christmas carol to life – a fresh addition to any holiday program!

FROM THE COMPOSER:

"Carol of the Birds" is a French Renaissance Christmas song written around 1600 that comes from the Basque region of southern France. The song describes 32 different birds that visited the baby Jesus in his manger.

DURATION: 1'35"



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Score

for String Orchestra and optional Tambourine

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Moderato ♩ = c. 104

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The musical score is arranged in two systems. The first system includes Violin I, Violin II/ Viola T.C., Viola, Cello, Contrabass, Tambourine (optional), and Piano Reduction (optional). The second system includes Violin I, Violin II/ Viola, Viola, Cello, Contrabass, and Piano Reduction. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). A large red watermark reading 'PERUSAL COPY legal use requires purchase' is overlaid diagonally across the score. Measure numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 are indicated in boxes at the bottom of the score.

CAROL OF THE BIRDS

Musical score for 'Carol of the Birds', measures 11-20. The score includes parts for Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, Contrabass, Tambourine, and Piano (Right and Left hands). Dynamics include *p* (piano) and *f* (forte). Performance instructions include *arco* for the cello and double bass. A large red watermark 'PERUSAL COPY' is overlaid on the score, with the text 'legal use requires purchase' written below it.

Measures 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.

CAROL OF THE BIRDS

21 22

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.
Tamb.
Pno. Red.

mp

21 22 23 24 25

26

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.
Tamb.
Pno. Red.

mf

26 27 28 29 30

CAROL OF THE BIRDS

31

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.
Tamb.
Pno. Red.

f

31 32 33 34

35

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.
Tamb.
Pno. Red.

rall.
ff

35 36 37 38 39