

The Cuckoo

(British)

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, and the chords are indicated above the staff. The score is divided into six systems, each starting with a measure number (9, 11, 13, 15, 17).

Chords: Em, G, Am7, B7, Em, D

Lyrics:
Oh, the
cuck - oo is a pret - ty bird. She sings as she flies. She
brings you glad tid - ings, and she nev - er lies. She
sips all the pret - ty flow - ers to make her voice clear, And she
nev - er sings cuck - oo 'til the spring of the year. Come
all ye fair maid - ens and lis - ten to me. Don't

2

19 Em G Am7 Em D

hang your af - fec - tions on a green grow - ing tree, For the

Detailed description: This block contains the first two lines of music. The first line is for measures 19 and 20. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. Chords are indicated above the staff: Em, G, Am7, Em, and D.

21 G Am7 B7

leaves, they will with - er, and the roots, they will die, And you'll

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of music for measures 21 and 22. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. Chords are G, Am7, and B7.

23 Em G Am7 Em

all be for - sak - en and nev - er know why. But

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of music for measures 23 and 24. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. Chords are Em, G, Am7, and Em.

25 Em G Am7 Em

if he will leave me, I'll not be for - lorn, And

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth line of music for measures 25 and 26. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. Chords are Em, G, Am7, and Em.

27 Em G Am7 Em D

if he'll for - swear me, I'll not be for - sworn. I'll

Detailed description: This block contains the fifth line of music for measures 27 and 28. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. Chords are Em, G, Am7, Em, and D.

29 G Am7 B7

get my - self up in my best fin - er - y, And I'll

Detailed description: This block contains the sixth line of music for measures 29 and 30. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. Chords are G, Am7, and B7.

31 Em G Am7 Em Em

walk as proud by him as he walks by me.

Detailed description: This block contains the seventh line of music for measures 31 and 32. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. Chords are Em, G, Am7, Em, and Em.

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1 2

3 4

Oh, the

5 6

cu-ckoo is a pret-ty bird; she sings as she flies. She brings you glad tid-ings, and she nev-er lies. She

7 8

sips all the pret-ty flow-ers to make her voice clear, And she nev-er sings, "cu-ckoo," 'til spring of the year. Come

9 10

all ye fair maid-ens and lis-ten to me. Don't hang your af-fec-tions on green growing tree, For the

11 12

leaves, they will with-er, and roots, they will die, And you'll all be for-sak-en and nev-er know why. But

13 14

if he will leave me, I'll not be for-lorn, And if he'll for-swear me, I'll not be for-sworn. I'll

D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em
 15 16
 get my-self up in my best fin- er- y, And I'll walk as proud by him as he walks by me.

Em G Am7 B7
 17 18

Em
 19 end 20

The Cuckoo (British) - Acoustic String Bass

Em G Am7 B7 G Am7 B7 Em Em G Am7 Em

Tab

5 5

0 0 4 5 5 7 3 5 5 6 2 2 0 0 3 0 0

1 2 3 4 5

Em G Am7 Em D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em

Tab

0 3 5 0 5 3 0 2 0 3 5 0 0 3 5 0 0 3 0 0 0 3 0 0

6 7 8 9 10

D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em D G Am7 B7

Tab

5 3 5 2 0 3 5 0 0 3 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 3 5 2

11 12 13 14 15

Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 B7 Em

Tab

0 3 5 0 0 0 3 3 5 5 2 2 6 0 2 2 2 2 0

16 17 18 19 end 20

The Cuckoo (British) - Orchestral Strings

Em G Am7 B7 G Am7 B7 Em Em G Am7 Em

Em G Am7 Em D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em

D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em D G Am7 B7

Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 B7 Em Em G Am7 Em

The Cuckoo (British) - Nylon String Guitar

Musical notation for measures 1-5. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The notation includes a treble clef staff with chord diagrams and a guitar tablature staff with fret numbers.

Measures 1-5: Em, G, Am7, B7, G, Am7, B7, Em, Em, G, Am7, Em.

Musical notation for measures 6-10. The notation includes a treble clef staff with chord diagrams and a guitar tablature staff with fret numbers.

Measures 6-10: Em, G, Am7, Em, D, G, Am7, B7, Em, G, Am7, Em, Em, G, Am7, Em, Em, G, Am7, Em.

Musical notation for measures 11-15. The notation includes a treble clef staff with chord diagrams and a guitar tablature staff with fret numbers.

Measures 11-15: D, G, Am7, B7, Em, G, Am7, Em, Em, G, Am7, Em, Em, G, Am7, Em, D, G, Am7, B7.

Musical notation for measures 16-20. The notation includes a treble clef staff with chord diagrams and a guitar tablature staff with fret numbers. Measure 19 features a triplet.

Measures 16-20: Em, G, Am7, Em, Em, G, Am7, B7, Em, Em, G, Am7, B7, Em, Em, G, Am7, B7, Em.

The Cuckoo (British) - Violin

Em G Am7 B7 G Am7 B7 Em Em G Am7 Em

1 2 3 4 5

Em G Am7 Em D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em

6 7 8 9 10

D G Am7 B7 Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 Em D G Am7 B7

11 12 13 14 15

Em G Am7 Em Em G Am7 B7 Em

16 17 18 19 end 20