

SONGS OF SPRINGTIME

Seven Elizabethan Poems set to music for Mixed Chorus (S.A.T.B.)

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No. 3. Spring, the Sweet Spring

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Allegro

SOPRANO *mf* Spring, the sweet Spring, is the year's plea-sant king; Then blooms each *mp*

ALTO *mf* Spring, the sweet Spring, is the year's plea-sant king; Then blooms each *mp*

TENOR *mf* Spring, the sweet Spring, is the year's plea-sant king; Then blooms each *mp*

BASS *mf* Spring, the sweet Spring, is the year's plea-sant king; Then blooms each *mp*

Allegro $\text{♩} = 68$

(For practice only)

mf mf thing, then maids dance in a ring, Cold doth not sting, the pret-ty birds do *mf* mp

mf mp thing, then maids dance in a ring, Cold doth not sting, the pret-ty birds do *mf* mp

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mf mp

f sing, Cuck - oo, *mf* jug - jug, pu - we, *mp* to-wit-ta - wool! *f* The palm and
f sing, Cuck - oo, *mf* jug - jug, pu - we, *mp* to-wit-ta - wool! *f* The palm and
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mp may make coun-try hou-ses gay, *mf* Lambs frisk and play, the shep-herds pipe all
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p *cresc.* day, And we hear aye birds tune *f* this mer-ry lay, *mp* Cuck - oo, jug -
p *cresc.* day, And we hear aye birds tune *f* this mer-ry lay, *mp* Cuck - oo, jug -
p *cresc.* day, And we hear aye birds tune *f* this mer-ry lay, *mp* Cuck - oo, jug -
p *cresc.* day, And we hear aye birds tune *f* this mer - ry lay, *mp* Cuck - oo, jug -

- jug, pu - we, to-wit-ta - woo! The fields breathe sweet, the dai -
 - jug, pu - we, to-wit - ta - woo! The fields breathe sweet, dai -
 - jug, - pu - we, to-wit-ta - woo! The fields breathe sweet, the dai -
 - jug, pu - we, to-wit-ta - woo! The fields breathe sweet, the dai -

- sies kiss our feet, Young lov-ers meet, old wives a-sun-ning sit, In
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e - ve-ry street these tunes our ears do greet, Cuck - oo, Cuck - oo, Cuck -
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f *decesc.*
 - oo, Cuck - oo, Cuck - oo, Cuck - oo, Cuck - oo, jug - jug, pu -
f *decesc.*
 jug - jug, pu - we, to-wit-ta - woo, to-wit-ta - wool Cuck - oo, pu -
f *decesc.*
 jug - jug, pu - we, to-wit-ta - woo, pu - we, to-wit-ta - wool pu -
f *decesc.*
 jug - jug, pu - we, to-wit-ta -

pp
 - we, to-wit-ta - wool to-wit-ta - wool!
pp
 - we, to-wit - ta - wool (lips closed)
pp
 - we, to-wit-ta - wool to-wit-ta - wool to-wit-ta - wool
pp
 - wool to-wit-ta - wool (lips closed)

ppp *mf* *molto allargando* *ff*
 (lips closed) Spring, the sweet Spring, the sweet Spring!_
ppp *mf* *molto allargando* *ff*
 Spring, the sweet Spring, the sweet Spring!_
ppp *mf* *molto allargando* *ff*
 Spring, the sweet Spring, the sweet Spring, the sweet Spring!_
ppp *mf* *molto allargando* *ff*
 Spring, the sweet Spring, the sweet Spring, the sweet Spring!_