

CZECH SUITE

Op. 39

Critical Edition based on the Composer's Manuscript Edited by Otakar Šourek

FULL SCORE

CZECH SUITE

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The CZECH SUITE for small orchestra was the final form given to the composer's original intention to write a new *serenade* (the third after that for strings, op. 22, and for wind instruments, op. 44) a pencil sketch of which, entitled "Serenade", was begun on March 4th 1879, when the composer was still engaged on the string quartet in E flat major, op. 51. Of the two movements in sketch (Tempo di Marcia and Minuet), however, Dvořák made no further use, but immediately after finishing the quartet on March 28th began writing a completely new composition. This was also in serenade form for small orchestra, but, in the undated manuscript, bears the title "Suite" and the misleading opus number 39, under which incomplete description it was published by Schlesinger, Berlin, in 1881. (See Otakar Šourek: The Life and Works of Antonín Dvořák, II., 2nd ed., p. 63–69).

Dvořák himself gave the composition the title of "*Czech Suite*" when it was first performed on May 16th 1879, in Prague, by the orchestra of the Czech Interim Theatre, conducted by Adolf Čech. The title was aptly chosen as three of the five movements are versions of typical Czech folk-dances (Polka, Sousedská, Furiant), while the remaining two (the introductory Pastorale and the Romance) are specifically Czech in expression. In Czechoslovakia the work has long been known as the Czech Suite under which title also this first Czech edition appears.

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| I. I | PRELUDIUM-PASTORALE (3.6' |). | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | I |
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ORCHESTRA

Flauti I/II - Oboi I/II - Corno inglese (Corno di bassetto ad lib.) Clarinetti I/II - Fagotti I/II - Corni I/II Trombe I/II - Timpani - Archi

I. PRELUDIUM (PASTORALE)



















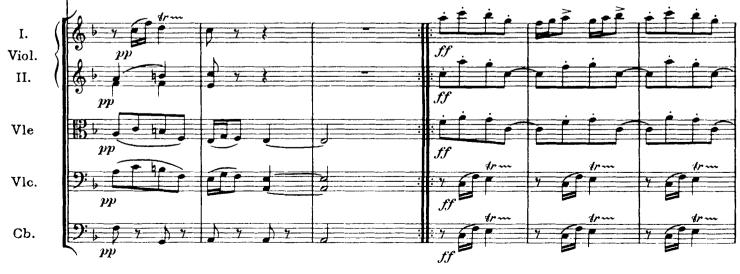


II. POLKA







































III. SOUSEDSKÁ (minuetto)









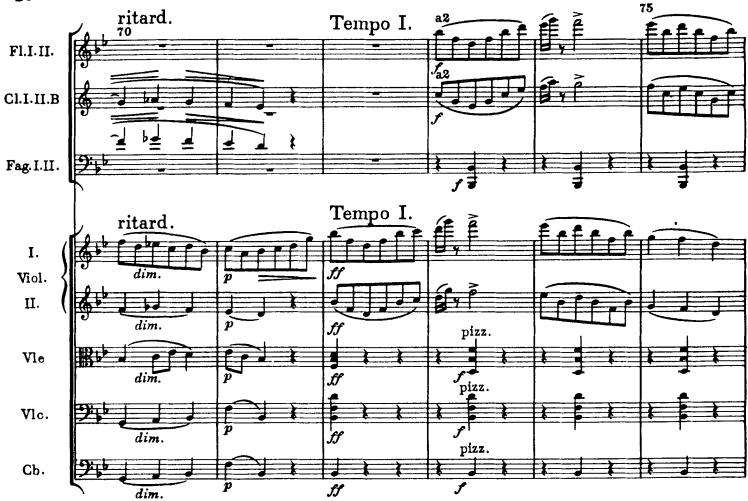








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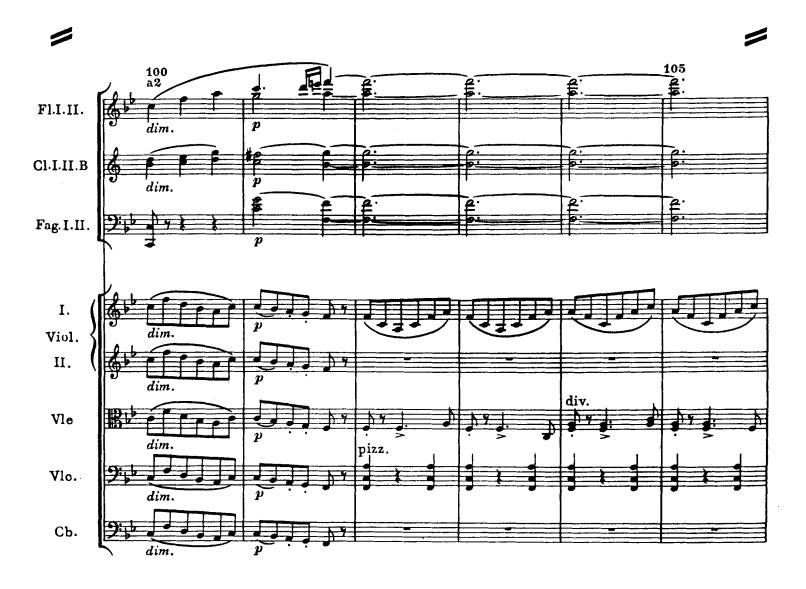


















IV. ROMANCE Romanza



*) Není-li anglický roh, budiž vzat roh basetový. Ad lib. Corno di bassetto.

















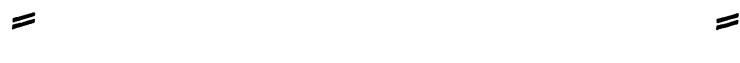
V. FINALE (FURIANT)































































SOURCES:

a) The composer's manuscript of the score which comprises, in addition to the title page, 43 pages of oblong music paper, 255:330 mm, and is preserved in the Music Archives of the Nationa! Library in Prague (sign. 59–R–115).

b) The original edition published by Schlesinger Comp., Berlin (1881, S 7377).

Our edition is based on Schlesinger's edition published during the composer's lifetime and almost certainly under his supervision. It has been carefully collated with the autograph. The more important deviations are listed in the Editors' Notes ("Annotazioni"). Obvious misprints and omissions in Schlesinger's edition have been rectified. Further, dynamic marks or others relating to the interpretation have been added on the basis of analogous passages. The more important emendments or addenda are placed in square brackets [].

ABBREVIATIONS:

A = autograph score

Schl = Schlesinger's edition

SN = the present edition of the State Publishing House KLHU

[1] =slip in the manuscript or misprint

Large Arabic numerals indicate the bar; the small numbers beside them indicate the note (or chord) in the bar; rests are not counted.

VYDAVATELSKÉ POZNÁMKY

ANNOTAZIONI

POLKA

56 Viol II A, Schl:

SN:

Vide 51-64, Vide 112

ROMANZA

60-65 Fag. II., Cb A: senza ligat.; SN = Schl

FURIANT



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