

'Winter' from 'The Four Seasons' by Antonio Vivaldi BBC Ten Pieces

NOTES FROM THE ARRANGER

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Available parts:
Flutes
Oboes
Clarinets
Alto Saxophones
Bassoons
Trumpets
Horns

Euphoniums Tenor Horns Trombone Tuba Bass in Eb Timpani Percussion

Violins Violas Cellos Double Basses Guitar Ukulele Piano

For Beginner, Intermediate and Grade 4/5

Please note: This arrangement has been transposed up a tone

Universal notes for all instrumental arrangements:

All parts have been designed to enable mixed-ability groups to perform together. A certain amount of simplification has been required to adapt the pieces for mixed-ability. A successful rendering of each piece would require the essential melodic material and bass line which are often in the Grades 4/5 parts, especially in the piano.

There are scores for each difficulty level plus three other scores for each piece:

- 1. Grouped according to ability
- 2. Grouped according to instrument type
- 3. 'Short score' in C, grouped according to ability

There are three ability levels – beginner, intermediate (Grades 1-3) and Grades 4-5.

- Flute parts can be played by the violins
- Oboe parts can be played by the flutes and violins
- Trumpet parts (in Bb) can be played by the clarinets
- Violin parts can be played by the flutes (except when in the lowest register)
- The 'percussion' part is a beginner part and can be played on any drum. It adds a simple rhythm layer to each piece. Timpani and full percussion parts are for intermediate or Grades 4/5