

Musette by JS Bach

What is a musette?

A musette is an instrument that is from the bagpipe family. It is also a type of French dance. You can hear the musette in this piece, because the repeated bass sounds like a bagpipe drone.

What key is this piece in?

D major

Are there any key changes?

A major from bars 9 to 20, then back to D major

Notation:

Moderato - moderate speed

2/4 - simple duple - 2 crotchet beats per bar

f - forte - loud

> - accent - stress the note

staccato - short and detached

slur - play legato (smooth and well connected)

Da Capo - go back to the beginning and play from there

Fine - finish

p - piano - soft

fermata - pause sign

Quavers, semiquavers, crotchets

PICTURE OF A MUSETTE:

