

Mazurka Op 39 No 10 by Tchaikovsky

What does the title mean?

A mazurka is a lively Polish dance in 3. It is the national dance of Poland and has a proud character.

What key is this in?

D minor

Bar 13 to 18 F major (relative major)

Bar 19 to 32 C major (dominant of F major)

Bar 33 to the end D minor (tonic)

Notation:

Allegro non troppo - fast and lively but not too much

Metronome marking - 120 crotchets per minute

3/4 - simple triple - 3 crotchet beats per bar

Mezzo forte - mf - moderately loud

Slur - play legato

Flat - lower the note a semitone

Sharp - raise the note a semitone

Natural - cancel the sharp or flat

Accent - play the note loudly

Staccato - short and detached

Triplet - 3 notes in the time of 2

Crescendo - gradually getting louder

Diminuendo - gradually getting softer

Forte - f - loud

Sforzando - sf - suddenly loud

Piano - p - soft

Smorz. - smorzando - dying away

Fermata - pause - hold the notes or rest longer than written