

Romanze Op 52 No 4 by Hummel

What does the title mean?

Romanze is German for romantic. Romanzes were originally Spanish ballads or songs but the style was used also in instrumental music and were typically lyrical pieces.

What key is this in?

G major

Bars 6 to 8 D major

Bar 13 Bb major

Bar 21 G major

Bar 28, small moment of C major

Notation:

Romanze - play gently, lyrically, in the style of a romanze

Metronome marking - 60-63 crotchets per minute

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

Con dolcezza - with sweetness

Riten. - ritenuto - hold back the tempo

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

Dolce - sweetly

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

Turn - type of ornament - play the note above, the main note, the note below, the main note

Accicaccatura - type of ornament - small note before the main note

Pianissimo - pp - very soft

A tempo - return to original speed

Tie - hold the notes for their combine value

Staccatissimo - a very short sharp staccato but for this style, just play gentle detached notes

Poco sostenuto - a little sustained