

Tequila Sunrise (Wedgwood)

What does the title mean?

The title is pictorial and refers to Tequila, a city in Mexico from which the alcoholic drink is named after. Samba is from Brazil and helps to reinforce the Latin American style of this piece.

What key is this in?

G minor

What is the form of this?

Ternary but with changes

Introduction

Section A bars 5 (after the anacrusis) to 16

Section B bars 17 to 25

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Section A bars 32 to 33 with a coda

Are there any key changes/modulations?

Section B is in Bb major, the relative major of G minor

Notation:

Slow samba - tempo direction and character of the piece - the samba has a distinct syncopated rhythm

f - forte - loud

time signature - 4/4 - common time - simple quadruple - 4 crotchet beats per bar

mf - mezzo forte - moderately loud

p - piano - soft

accent - marcato - stress the note by playing it loudly

staccato - short and detached

tie - hold the notes for their combined value

slur - join the notes smoothly

diminuendo - gradually get softer

crescendo - gradually get louder

sharp - raise the note by a semitone

natural - cancel the sharp or flat

flat - lower the note by a semitone

ff - fortissimo - very loud

acciaccatura - quick note before the main note (ornament)