

Libiamo ne'lieti calici (Drinking Song)

from La traviata (Act I)

Giuseppe Verdi (1853)

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Allegretto ♩. = 69

Piano

Piano accompaniment for measures 1-9. The score is in 3/8 time with a key signature of two flats. It features a steady eighth-note bass line and a more active treble line with chords and melodic fragments. Dynamics include piano (p) and pianissimo (ppp).

Pno

Piano accompaniment for measures 10-19. The texture continues with the eighth-note bass line and active treble line. Dynamics include piano (p) and pianissimo (ppp).

T. solo

Vocal line for Alfred, starting at measure 20. The tempo marking is *con grazia leggerissimo*. The lyrics are: **f** Li - bia - mo, li - bia - mo ne' lie - ti ca -
(English) Where beau - ty, wher beau - ty and mirth - are beck -

Pno

Piano accompaniment for measures 20-29. The accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the treble. Dynamics include piano (p).

T. solo

Vocal line for Alfred, starting at measure 29. The lyrics are: - li - ci, che la - bel - lez - za - in - fio - ra; e la - fug - ge - vol, fug -
- on - ing, Seize we - the - swift - wing - ed - hours, Let joy, let joy crown the

Pno

Piano accompaniment for measures 29-38. The accompaniment continues with the eighth-note bass line and chords in the treble.

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T. solo

ge vol o ra s'in - ne - bria vo - lut ta. Li - biam ne'
cup with flow ers, And life's a dream of bliss. While youth's swift

Pno

45

T. solo

dol - ci fre - mi - ti che su - sci - ta l'a mo - re, poi - che quel -
fire with in us burns, Shall love's de - light in spire us, With such bright

Pno

53

T. solo

l'oc - chio al co - re on - ni - po ten - te va. Li - bia mo, a -
eyes to fire us, What joy can e - qual this? Then quaff we the

Pno

62

T. solo

mo - re, a - mor fra/i ca li - ci più cal di ba - ci a vra.
 winecup when love is beck oning, Life is a short dream of bliss.

S. A.

T. B.

f

Ah! Quaff

f

Ah! Quaff

62

Pno

pp

f

69

S. A.

li - biam, a mor fra ca - li ci più cal - di
 the cup where love is beck - ing, Life is one short

T. B.

li - biam, a mor fra ca - li ci più cal - di
 the cup where love is beck - ing, Life is one short

69

Pno

75 *Violetta.* (*risces.*)

S. solo
 Tra voi, tra vo - i sa - pro di - vi de-re
 My days shall pass in a dream of ec - sta-sy,

S. A.
 ba - cia vra.
 dream of bliss.

T. B.
 ba - cia vra.
 dream of bliss.

75 *pp*

Pno

84 *mp*

S. solo
 il tem - po mio gio con do; tut to'è fol - li - a, fol - li - a nel
 By joy - ous friends sur - round ded. Give me a measure of rap - ture un -

84

Pno

92 *mf*

S. solo
 mon do cio che non e pia cer. Go - diam, fu - ga - ce c -
 bound ed, There is no life but this. While en - vious time flies.

92

Pno

100

S. solo

ra - pi - do/è il gau - dio del - l'a mo - re; è un fior che na - sce e muo -
 swift - ly on, En - joy the time of flow - ers, Too soon will fade the bow -

Pno

p

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S. solo

re, nè più si puo go - der. Go - diam! c'in - vi - ta, c'in vi - ta/un
 ers, Then vain to sigh for bliss. En - joy while pleasure and mirth are

Pno

118

S. solo

fer - vi - do/ac - cen - to lu - sin ghier.
 beck on - ing, There's no life but this.

S. A.

Ah! go - dia mo, la
 Ah! en - joy we, where

T. B.

Ah! go - dia mo, la
 Ah! en - joy we, where

mp *mf*

118

Pno

pp *mf*

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S. A. *f* *pp*
taz - za, la taz _____ za/c/il can _____ ti-co la no _____ te ab - bel - la _____ e il ri _____
pleasure and mirth _____ are beck _____ on-ing, While love _____ and wine yet _____ in _____ vite _____

T. B. *f* *pp*
taz - za, la taz _____ za/c/il can _____ ti-co la no _____ te ab - bel - la _____ e il ri _____
pleasure and mirth _____ are beck _____ on-ing, While love _____ and wine yet _____ in _____ vite _____

Pno *f* *p*

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S. A. *mf* *f*
so, in que _____ sto, in que _____ sto pa _____ ra di _____ so ne sco - pra _____ il _____
us, When they _____ can no more, no more _____ de light _____ us, A way with this _____

T. B. *mf* *f*
so, in que _____ sto, in que _____ sto pa _____ ra - di _____ so ne sco - pra _____ il _____
us, When they _____ can no more, no more _____ de - light _____ us, A - way with this _____

Pno *mf* *f*

141 *mp con grazia*

S. solo
La vi - ta/è nel tri - pu - dio
There's naught in life but plea - sure

T. solo *mp*
Quan - do non
Un - til one

S. A.
nuo - vo di.
dull, cold earth.

T. B.
nuo - vo di.
dull, cold earth.

141 *pp*

Pno

149

S. solo
Noi di - te/a chi l'i - gno - ra.
In love I know no mea - sure.

T. solo *mp*
s'a - mi an - ec - ra. E/il mio des -
heart you can - trea - sure. My heart loves

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Pno

