

# BELLE NUIT

(Lovely Night)

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*Moderato*

Soprano or Mezzo-soprano

Contralto

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*pp*

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Bel - le nuit ô  
Love - ly night, thy

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nuit d'a - mour Sou - ris - à nos i - vres - ses Nuit plus dou - ce  
pla - cid ray now shines up - on our plea - sures Night is sweet - er

8

quel - le jour, Ô bel - le nuit d'a - mour.  
than the day For moon - beams round us play!

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Le temps fuit et sans re - tour Em - por - te nos ten - dres - ses  
 Time is fly - ing, life is short, And youth has bliss - ful plea - sures

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Red. \*

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Loin de - cet beau - reux sé - jour Le temps fuit sans re - tour — Zé -  
 'Tis in vain its charms are sought For youth can - not be bought! — Oh

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phirs — em - bra - sés — Ver - sez - nous vox ca - res - ses. Zé -  
 zephirs cool and sweet, — Let us feel thy ca - res - ses oh

Zé - phirs — em - bra - sés Ver - sez - nous  
 Oh ze - phirs cool and sweet, cool and sweet

Red. \*

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phirs - em - bra - sés \_\_\_\_\_ Donnez - nous vos bai - sers,  
ze - phirs cool and sweet \_\_\_\_\_ Let our lips fondly meet

Ver - sez - nous vox ca - res - ses, vox bai - sers Ver - sez -  
Oh send us thy ca - res - ses ze - phirs sweet Ze - phirs

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vos \_\_\_\_\_ bai - sers, vos \_\_\_\_\_ bai - sers! Ah! \_\_\_\_\_  
ze - phirs sweet now \_\_\_\_\_ we meet! Ah! \_\_\_\_\_

nous, \_\_\_\_\_ Ver - sez - nous vos bai - sers!  
sweet \_\_\_\_\_ Let our lips fond - ly meet!

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\_\_\_\_\_ Bel - le nuit! ô nuit d'amour Sou - ris à nos i - vres - ses,  
\_\_\_\_\_ Love - ly night thy plac - id ray Now smiles up - on our plea - sures

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36 *sf*

Nuit plus dou - ce que te jour Ô bel - le nuit d'a - mour.  
 Night is sweet - er than the day For moonbeams round us play.

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40 *cresc.* *f*

Ah! Sou - ris à nos i - vres -  
 Ah! Night was made for our plea -

Ô bel - le nuit d'a - mour! — *f* Sou - ris à nos i -  
 Oh sweet night made for love — Night was made for our

44 *dim.* *pp*

- - ses, Nuit d'a - mour! — ô nuit — d'a - mour! Ah! .  
 - - sures Night of love! — oh night — of love! Ah! .

vres - ses, Ô bel - le nuit — d'a - mour!  
 plea - sures Oh night of love, — night of love!

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ah! ah! ah! ah! ah!

*pp* ah! ah! ah! ah!

*Red.* \* *Red.* \* *Red.* \*

52

*ppp* ah! ah! ah! ah!

*ppp* ah! ah! ah! ah!

*ppp* *dim.* *Red.* \* *Red.* \* *Red.* \*

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*ppp*