
Eighth Note Publications

Enigma Variation #9 Nimrod

Edward Elgar
Arranged by David Marlatt

Enigma Variations is a set of variations on an original theme, of which Elgar said represented “the loneliness of the creative artist”. Each variation has a title which contained initials or nicknames of his friends. The music was to describe “friends pictured within”. The ninth variation, Nimrod, refers to A.J. Jaeger, a member of the staff at Novello Publishing Company who had several of Elgar’s works published. This variation refers to a discussion the two friends had one summer evening concerning Beethoven’s slow movements. Elgar makes no arguments about the opening of Nimrod alluding to the slow movement of the Pathetique Sonata.

The solo line is passed around the ensemble from the horn to the flugel/trombone to the trumpet. The arranger recommends the use of flugel horn to allow for a greater variety of colours. The Eb trumpet part captures many of the oboe lines and therefore adds extra brightness to contrast the blending of the horn, flugel and low brass.

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DIFFICULTY RATING: Medium-Difficult
Brass Quintet (optional Timpani)

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for Ken Lewis
ENIGMA VARIATION No. 9
Nimrod

E. Elgar
(1857-1934)
Arranged by D. Marlatt

Largo $\text{♩} = 40$

B♭ Trumpet 1
E♭ Trumpet part provided

B♭ Trumpet 2 opt. Flugel horn

F Horn lead p

Trombone pp

Tuba pp

Timpani F-B♭-E♭



7 8 9 mfp 10 11 12

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13 14 15 16 17 18 mf

mf lead mf

mf mf



19 20 21 22 23 24

p

p

p

p

p

p

pp

lead

mp

25 26 27 28 29 30

mp

f

f

not lead

f

lead - Tpt / Trbn

mp

f

mf

f

f

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31 32 33 34 35 36

p

p

p

p

p

p

A musical score for five staves. Measure 37 starts with a dynamic of *f*. Measures 38 and 39 follow. Measure 40 begins with a dynamic of *ff*, followed by *rit.* (ritardando). The section ends with the instruction "Slowly". The score includes various dynamics such as *f*, *ff*, *pp*, and *p*, along with slurs and grace notes.

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