

**The Christmas Gig Book  
Volume 2**

**Various Composers**  
*Arranged by David Marlatt*

This is a collection of well-loved Christmas music set for brass quintet. A number of styles and moods are represented in these pieces. They are suitable for a variety of performance situations such as school concerts, at church or on holiday performances in the community. All pieces are at the medium level which makes them approachable by the widest range of brass quintets from good elementary school groups to a professional ensemble looking for 30 minutes of festive music.

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Brass Quintet

B $\flat$  Trumpet 1

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O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL - Traditional English Carol

Triumphantly  $\text{♩} = 110$

4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48

*mf*

opt.

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49 50 51 52 53

54 55 56

*molto rit.*

A CATALONIAN CHRISTMAS CAROL - Traditional Spanish

Easy, flowing  $\bullet = 92$  2

3 4 5

*p* sempre legato

6 7 8 9 10 11

*poco rit.* *a Tempo*

12 13 14 15 16 17

18 19 20 21 22 23

24 25 26 27 28 29

*mf*

30 31 32 33 34 35

*sub. p* 2

37 not lead 38 39 40 41 42

43 44 45 46 47

3

50 51 52 53 54 55

*p* *mp*

56 57 58 59

*mf*

60 61 62 63

64 65 66 lead 67

*f*

68 69 70 71

*mf*

72 73 74 75 76

*m* *p* *ri.*

77 78 79 80 Very Slowly  $\bullet = 66$

*pp*

THE HOLLY AND THE IVY - Traditional English Carol

Smoothly  $\bullet = 84$

7 8 2 10 8 18 19

*p*

20 21 22 23 24 25

*mp*

26 27 28 29 30 31

32 33 34 3 37 38 39

40 41 42 43 44 45

46 47 48 49 50 51

52 53 54 55 56 57

58 59 60 61 62 63

64 65 66 67 68 70

72 73 74 75 76 77 *rit.* 78

DECK THE HALL - Traditional Welsh Carol

Joyfully alone  $\sigma = 100$

6 7 9 10

11 12 13 14

15 16 17 18

19 21 22 23

*mf* *f* *p* *mp* *f* *f* *f* *f*

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25 26 27 2 29

30 31 2 33 34

35 36 37 4 41 4

45 3 48 49 5 54

55 56 57 58

59 60 61 2 63

64 65 66 67

68 69 70 71

72 73 74 75 76 77

*mp*

*mf*

*mf* *f*

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STILL, STILL, STILL - Traditional Austrian Carol

Gently ♩ = 66

1 2 3 4

5 6 7 8 2 10

11 12 6 18 19 20

21 2 23 24 25 26

27 lead 28 29 30 31

2 33 34 35 36

37 38 39 40 41

42 43 3 46 47 48

49 50 51 *molto rit.* a Tempo

54 55 56 57 Slower 58

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING - F. Mendelssohn

Joyfully ♩ = 100

*mf*

2 3 4

5 6 7 8

9 10 11 12

*f*

13 14 15 16 17

18 19 20 21 22

23 24 25 26 27

28 29 30 31 32

33 34 35 36 37

38 39 40 41 42

2



44 45 46 2 48 49

50 51 52 53 54

*p* *f* *p* *f*

55 56 57 58 59

60 61 62 63 2

65 66 67 68 descant

*mp* *mf* *f*

69 70 71 72

73 74 75 76

77 78 79 80

81 82 83 84

85 86 87 88

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# WASSAIL, WASSAIL ALL OVER THE TOWN - Traditional English Carol

Rollicking  $\text{♩} = 60$

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B♭ and E♭) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of 81 measures, divided into 17 systems of five lines each. The notation includes various note values (quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes), rests, and dynamic markings such as *p*, *mf*, and *mp*. A 'lead' section is indicated between measures 32 and 33. A '4' (likely a 4-measure rest) is present in measures 50 and 75. A large 'PREVIEW ONLY' watermark is overlaid across the middle of the score. Measure numbers 5 through 81 are placed above the notes.

82 83 4 87 88 89 90

91 92 93 94 95 96 7

103 104 105 106 107 108

109 5 114 115 116 117 118 2

120 121 122 123 124 125

126 127 128 129 130 131

132 133 134 lead 135 136 137

138 139 140 141 142 143

144 145 146 147 148 149

150 151 152 153 154 155

156 157 158 159 160

*p* *f* *f* *mf* *f*

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161 162 163 164 165 166

167 168 169 170 171 172

173 174 177 178

*ff* *f*

179 180 181 182 185

*mp* *mp*

186 187 188 189 190 194

*p*

195 196 197 198 199 Slower

DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH - 16th Century French Carol

Bell-like  $\text{♩} = 152$

4 5 4 9 10 11 12

*f*

13 14 15 16 17 18

19 20 21 22 23 24

25 26 27 28 29 30

31 32 33 34 35 36

37 38 39 40 41 42

43 44 45 46 47 48

49 57 58 59 60 61

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62 63 64 65 66 67

68 69 70 71 72 73 8 81

82 83 84 85 86 87 88

89 8 97 98 99 100 101

102 103 104 105 106 107

108 109 110 111 112 113

114 115 116 117 118 119 120

121 122 123 124 125 126 127

128 129 130 131 132 133 134

135 136 137 138 139 140 141

142 143 144 145 146 147

148 149 150 151 152 153

154 155 156 157 158 159

160 161 162 163 164 165 4

169 170 171 172 173 174

*mp*

*f*

*sub. f*

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### ***O Come, All Ye Faithful***

After a short introduction with melodic excerpts played in various voices, a verse of this famous carol is played. This moves to a wandering descant trumpet line before the grand finale.

### ***A Catalonian Christmas Carol***

This traditional folk song from Catalonia (a region in Spain) features a spiritual text largely about the child Jesus, prompting some to classify it as a Christmas carol. It has been regularly sung during the Christmas season in parts of Europe and the Americas, but there are numerous instrumental versions, including notable ones for solo guitar that are very popular. This arrangement begins like the guitar versions - simple, light and clean. It grows to be more full and sonorous than a guitar ever could, before ending, as it began - peacefully.

### ***The Holly and the Ivy***

This traditional English carol describes two of the mainstay Christmas decorations since the fifteenth century. This arrangement opens with an unaccompanied tuba solo stating the theme. Then the quintet splits into various combinations of trios and duets with the melody passing between them. This is a peaceful and elegant version of this classic carol.

### ***Deck the Hall***

This Welsh carol dates back to the sixteenth century. Strangely, the popular words that are sung are not translated from Welsh but are American in origin from the nineteenth century. This is robust, upbeat and fun with the melody passed all around the ensemble.

### ***Still, Still, Still***

This peaceful carol is beautiful in its simplicity and elegance. Melody is found in all voices and some interplay between the pair of trumpets and horn/trombone rounds out a good arrangement.

### ***Hark! The Herald Angels Sing***

This carol first appeared in 1739 written by Charles Wesley. However, this is *not* the version that we all know and love today. It was slow and solemn! This arrangement opens joyfully with a 3+3+2 rhythmic figure before moving into the main statement of the theme. There is an ornamented descant floating the them to bring the work to a close.

### ***Wassail, Wassail All Over the Town***

Wassailing songs are among the most popular of the secular holiday songs of Christmas. The tradition of “wassailing” refers to townsfolk going door to door, singing and drinking to the health of those whom they visit. This is basically what we know as “caroling”.

### ***Ding Dong Merrily on High***

The tune to this carol first appeared as a secular dance tune in the 1500s. The lyrics are from an English composer George Ratcliffe Woodward. The bells motif is used throughout this arrangement and some original material is interspersed as well. The tuba gets a full verse of melody with the remainder of the group playing punctuated chords before driving to an exciting finish.

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