

The Seasons

Slow Summer (Flute) Version

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Flute

The musical score is written for a flute in 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 70. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The music features various rhythmic patterns, including triplets and quintuplets, and is marked with trills (tr) and trills with grace notes (tr~). The second staff starts at measure 4 with a tempo marking of quarter note = 50, followed by a tempo change to quarter note = 60 at measure 6, and back to quarter note = 50 at measure 8. The third staff starts at measure 8. The fourth staff starts at measure 10 and ends with a *rall.* marking. The score includes dynamic markings such as accents (>) and hairpins (> and <). Fingerings are indicated by numbers 3, 5, and tr.

This is a companion piece for *The Seasons* for English horn (2012), and both pieces may benefit from being included in the same performance. Unlike the earlier piece, this version adheres to the traditional calendar: the first three bars are spring, the next three are summer, and so on.

As in the earlier piece, a single full repeat will benefit the piece and emphasize the cyclical nature of the seasons.