

# I Had a Little Nut Tree

Secondo

English nursery rhyme  
arr. Laurel Hunt Pedersen

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First system of musical notation, measures 1-3. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The music is written for a single bass clef staff. Measure 1 starts with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature, followed by a key signature change to B-flat major. The melody consists of quarter notes: B-flat, A, G, F, E, D, C, B. Measure 2 continues with quarter notes: A, G, F, E, D, C, B, A. Measure 3 ends with a half note: G.

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Second system of musical notation, measures 4-6. Measure 4 continues with quarter notes: F, E, D, C, B, A, G, F. Measure 5 continues with quarter notes: E, D, C, B, A, G, F, E. Measure 6 ends with a half note: D.

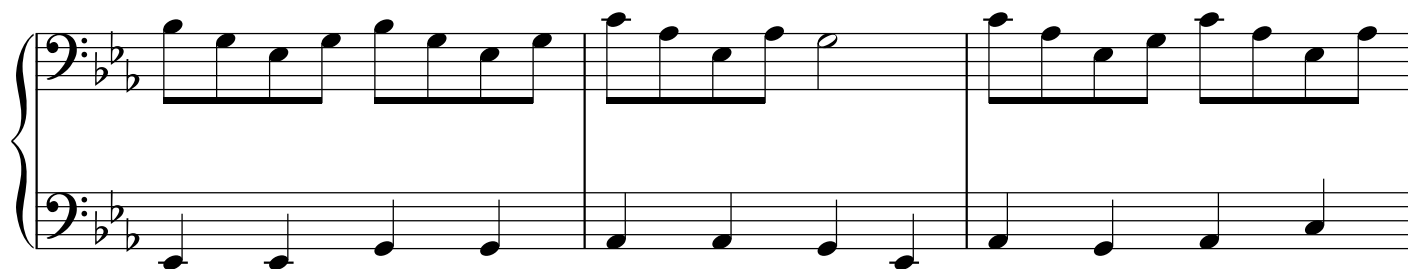
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Third system of musical notation, measures 7-9. Measure 7 continues with quarter notes: C, B, A, G, F, E, D, C. Measure 8 continues with quarter notes: B, A, G, F, E, D, C, B. Measure 9 ends with a half note: A.

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Fourth system of musical notation, measures 10-12. Measure 10 continues with quarter notes: G, F, E, D, C, B, A, G. Measure 11 continues with quarter notes: F, E, D, C, B, A, G, F. Measure 12 ends with a half note: E.

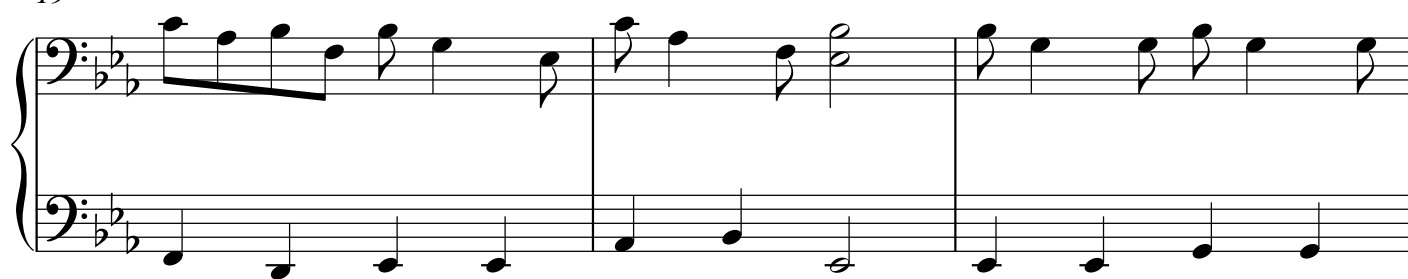
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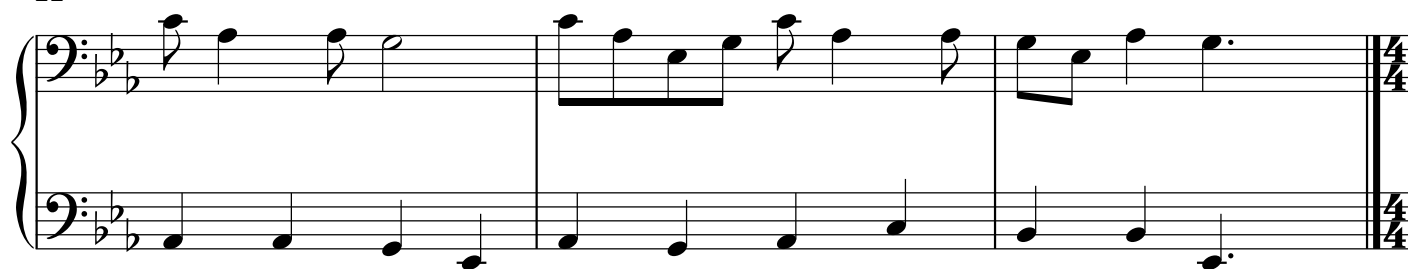
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8va<sup>-</sup> 1

I had a lit-tle nut tree; Noth-ing would it bear, But a sil-ver nut-meg

4 8va<sup>-</sup>

and a gold-en pear. The King of Spain's\_ daugh-ter came to vis-it me, And

7 8va<sup>-</sup>

all\_ for the sake of my lit-tle nut tree. Her dress was made of crim-son,

10 8va<sup>-</sup>

Jet black was her hair, She asked me for my nut-meg And my gold-en pear. I

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This English rhyme may have been written to commemorate the 1506 visit of Spanish Queen regent Joanna of Castile to the English court of her brother-in-law Henry VII.

13 *8va*

said, "So fair a prin - cess Nev - er did I see, I'll give you all the fruit From my

16 *8va*

lit - tle nut tree." She skip - ped o - ver wa - ter, She danced o - ver sea,

19 *8va*

All the birds in the air Could not catch her. She skip - ped o - ver wa - ter,

22 *8va*

She danced o - ver sea, All the birds in the air, Could not catch her.