

A L F R E D C H O R A L D E S I G N S

Ave Maria

by Giulio Caccini

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AVE MARIA

for S.A.B. voices and keyboard
with optional flute*

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Music by
GIULIO CACCINI (1545-1618)

Smoothly, expressively (♩ = ca. 80)

FLUTE

mp

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PIANO

mp

5

9 SOPRANO, ALTO *unis.*

mp

A - ve - Ma - ri - a,

BARITONE

(flute tacet)

* Also available for S.A.T.B., Level Four (20142), T.T.B.B., Level Three (22963) and 2-part, Level Two (20144).
Part for flute is on pages 11-12.

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13

mp A - ve Ma - ri - a.

17

mp A - ve, A -

FLUTE

mp

21

ve Ma - ri - a.

25 *mf*

A - ve Ma - ri - a, A -

mf

mf

29

- ve Ma - ri - a.

33 *f** (9)

A *f** (9)

f

37 (9) 40

men. — A — men.

* This phrase may be sung with scattered breathing and without observing the group breath marks in measures 35 and 37.

41

45

poco rit.

48 *a tempo*
mp unis.

A -

dim. poco a poco *poco rit.* *mp a tempo*

dim. poco a poco *poco rit.* *a tempo mp*

49

ve Ma - ri a. A -

mp

53

56

ve Ma - ri a. A -

mp

57

ve, A - ve

61

64 *mf*

Ma - ri - a. A

mf

65

ve Ma - ri - a, A -

Amen begins at m. 72

69

ve Ma - ri - a. A -

f

* This phrase may be sung with scattered breathing and without observing the group breath marks in measures 74 and 76.

73

77

rit. *mf* *mp dim.* *pp*

men. *mf* *mp dim.* *pp*

rit. *mf* *mp dim.* *pp*

rit. *mf* *mp dim.* *pp*

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The musical score for the Flute part of 'Ave Maria' is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of 48 measures, with measure numbers 5, 9, 17, 21, 25, 26, 32, 33, 37, 40, 42, 47, and 48 marked at the beginning of their respective lines. The tempo is marked as 'Smoothly, expressively' with a quarter note equal to approximately 80 beats per minute. The dynamics range from mezzo-piano (*mp*) to fortissimo (*f*), with a gradual decrease (*dim. poco a poco*) starting at measure 42. Performance instructions include 'poco rit.' (ritardando) at measure 47 and 'a tempo' at measure 48. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, ties, and rests.

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12

56 *mp*

61

64 *mf*

66

71

72 *f*

76 *rit. mf > mp dim. pp*

Giulio Caccini was an important song composer as well as a singer, voice teacher and instrumentalist in Italy in the early part of the Baroque era. An active participant in the meetings of the Camerata, Caccini wrote works for the solo voice which showed a great sensitivity for the declamation of the text. In 1602, he described the new monodic style of that time in the preface of his famous *Le nuove musiche*, a set of madrigals and airs for solo voice with basso continuo.

Caccini's beautiful *Ave Maria* has become one of his most beloved solo works in recent years. This choral arrangement features a keyboard and optional flute part provided by the arranger. It is appropriate for both school and church performance.