Grade Level: 2.5 (Medium Easy)

## 0 mio babbino caro

By Giacomo Puccini

Arranged For Concert Band by L. C. Harnsberger

## INSTRUMENTATION

Flute Oboe Clarinets 1, 2 Alto Clarinet (opt.) Bass Clarinet Bassoon

Duration: 2:15

Alto Sax 1, 2
Tenor Sax
Baritone Sax
Trumpets 1, 2
F Horn
Trombones 1, 2

Baritone BC
Baritone TC
Tuba
Timpani
Mallets (Bells)
Percussion (Tri., CC)



## **Notes**

This new Grade 2.5 band transcription of Giacomo Puccini's aria "O mio babbino caro," is ideal for young performers. The arrangement provides opportunities for your ensemble to work on lyrical playing, softer dynamics, and blending long legato melodies with flowing eighth-note accompaniments. The original key of A-flat major is used which makes it perfect to accompany a vocalist. (Note that if you feature a vocalist, it may be helpful to leave out the first trumpet part in measures 1-8, 17-24, 29-35, and 45 to the end.)

"O mio babbino caro" is one of Puccini's best-known and beloved arias from his comic opera *Gianni Schicchi* which premiered in 1918. The aria, translated as "Oh my dear Papa," is characterized by its beautiful melody and emotional depth. "O mio babbino caro" remains a staple in both operatic and popular repertoires, making it a perfect piece for your next concert or festival performance.



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