

Slavonic Dance, nr. 2

from Slavonic Dances opus 72

Antonin Dvorak

*arranged by Paul De Bra for
accordion orchestra*

*(1, 2a, 2b, 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b, bass, timpani, triangle)
and for accordion quintet (1, 2, 3, 4, bass)*

In the accordion world the Slavonic Dance nr. 8 is the most popular, thanks to an arrangement by Curt Herold. (A lesser known arrangement of nr. 3 also exists, by Fritz Kübart.)

Originally written for piano 4 hands the Slavonic dances were also orchestrated. The dance nr. 2 (opus 72) makes for a very nice orchestral composition. It lends itself well for an arrangement for accordion orchestra (with many parts) but can easily be reduced to a version for quintet. Both arrangements (orchestra and quintet) are available. The first voice really asks for an accordion going up to high C but registration makes it possible to play everything with smaller accordions.

Professor P made a recording available to illustrate what the arrangement for accordion orchestra may sound like.

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Antonin Dvorak
arr. Paul De Bra

Allegretto grazioso $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 110$

(unisono)  or 



Acc. 1

Acc. 2a

Acc. 2b

Acc. 3a

Acc. 3b

pizz.

Acc. 4a

pizz.

 (possibly div. with  if it sounds too sharp)

 (arco) ***pp sempre***

Bass

Timpani E - B

Triangle

unavailable low notes can always be omitted (as they also appear in the bass part)

div.  loco &  8vb, or  loco if voice is solo

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a tempo div.  loco & 8vb

17 A

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a tempo

unis.

B loco

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The musical score consists of ten staves, each representing a different instrument or section of the orchestra. The instruments include I (Violin I), IIa (Violin II), IIb (Violin II), IIIa (Violin III), IIIb (Violin IV), IVa (Violin V), IVb (Violin VI), B (Double Bass), Tp. (Timpani), and Tr. (Trombones). The score is set in common time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The dynamics and performance instructions are detailed throughout the score. For example, staff I starts with *mf fz*, while staff IIb starts with *f*. Staff IIIb includes a note '(omit low E if unavailable)'. Staff IVb features various pizzicato and arco markings. The bassoon part (B) uses slurs and grace notes. The timpani (Tp.) and trombones (Tr.) provide harmonic support at the bottom of the texture. The score concludes with a dynamic of *p*.

I

IIa

IIb

IIIa

IIIb
(arco)
(omit low E if unavailable)

IVa

IVb
mf
pizz.
arco
pizz.
arco

B

Tp.

Tr.

mf

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I IIa IIb IIIa IIIb IVa IVb B Tp. Tr.

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I arco
IIa fz
IIb fz
IIIa fz
IIIb fz
IVa fz
IVb -
B fz
Tp. -
Tr. -

rit.

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65 **D** a tempo

div. loco and 8va

div. loco and 8va

pizz.

I
IIa
IIb
IIIa
IIIb
IVa
IVb
B
Tp.
Tr.

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79 **E** *a tempo*

unisono loco

I

IIa

IIb

IIIa

IIIb

IVa

IVb

B

Tp.

Tr.

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• (omit high B on small acc.)

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a tempo div. loco & 8vb

95 F

I

IIa

IIb

IIIa

IIIb

IVa

IVb

B

Tp.

Tr.

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I unis.
loco

IIa mp

IIb mp

IIIa mp

IIIb mp

IVa (C) mp

IVb p

B mp

Tp.

Tr.

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a tempo

109

I

IIa

IIb

IIIa

IIIb

IVa

IVb

B

Tp.

Tr.

G

mf

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8 loco on small accordions

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poco a poco rit.

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