

Black is the Color of My True Love's Hair

Traditional Appalachian folk song

arranged by Stuart P. O'Neil

With melancholy and longing ♩ = 76

Piano

The musical score is arranged in three systems. The first system shows the piano introduction in 4/4 time, marked *mp*. The second system contains the vocal entry for both Tenor (T) and Bass (B) parts, with lyrics: "Black, black, black is the col - or of my true love's hair,". The piano accompaniment continues. The third system continues the vocal parts with lyrics: "Her lips _____ are like a rose so fair. And the", and the piano accompaniment. Dynamics include *poco cresc* and *mf*.

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T sweet - est face and the smooth - est hands, I *mp*

B sweet - est face and the smooth - est hands,

dim mp

14

T love the grass where - on she stands, She with the won - d'rous

B I love where on she stands, She with the won - d'rous, *mp*

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T hair.

B won - d'rous hair.

20 *opt. solo mf*

T *mp*

B

Black, black, black is the color of my true love's

24 *poco cresc* *f tutti*

T hair, Her face is some-thing tru-ly rare. Oh, I

B *poco cresc* *f*

hair, Her face is some-thing tru-ly rare. Oh, I

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poco cresc *f*

27 *dim. poco a poco*

T do love my love, and so well she knows, I

B *dim. poco a poco*

do love my love, and so well she knows,

dim. poco a poco

31

T love _____ the ground where - on she goes, She with the won - d'rous

B I love on she goes, She with the won - d'rous,

mp *dim. poco a poco*

34

T hair. *opt. solo p* Black, black, black is the col - or of my true love's

B won - d'rous hair.

p

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T hair, *tutti mp* My love, My love, My love, My *steady cresc, sustain until m. 49*

B oo _____ My love, My love, My love, — *steady cresc, sustain until m. 49*

mp *steady cresc, sustain until m. 49*

42

T love.

B My love, —

mf Black, black. black of my true love's

45

T col-or of her hair, col-or of her hair, A - lone — my life would

B hair, her hair, — A - lone, a - lone my life would

48

T *poco rit.* be so bare. *ff* I would sigh, I would weep, I could

B be so bare. *ff* I would sigh, I would weep, I could

poco rit.

50 *mp*

T
nev - er fall a - sleep, My

B
nev - er fall a - sleep,

molto dim

53 *mp*

T
love is far be - yond com - pare, She with the won - d'rous

B
mp My love be - yond com - pare, She with the won - d'rous,

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mp

56

T
hair.

B
won - d'rous hair.

rit poco a poco