

Songs of Love & Attrition

I. The Kiss

Score

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A $\text{♩} = 134$ *mf*

Soprano
Be - fore you kissed me on - ly winds of hea - ven,

Oboe

Clarinet in B \flat
mp

Viola
mp

Violoncello
mf

Piano
ped. lightly ad lib
mf

S
hea - ven had kissed me, and the ten - - - der-ness of

Ob.

B \flat Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

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8 9 10 11

S
rain, Now you have come, how can I care for

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

mf *mp* *mf* *mp*

12 13 14 15

S
kis - ses, for kis - ses like theirs a - gain?

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

mf *mf* *mf*

16 17 18 **B** *mf* 19

S I sought the sea, she sent her

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla. *mp*

Vc. *mp*

Pno. *mp*

20 21 22 23

S winds _____ to meet me, They surged _____ around me sing - ing of the

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

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S
24 25 26 27
south I turned my head a - way to

Ob.
24 25 26 27

B♭ Cl.
24 25 26 27

Vla.
24 25 26 27

Vc.
24 25 26 27

Pno.
24 25 26 27

S
28 29 30 31
keep still — ho - ly Your kiss u - - - pon my

Ob.
28 29 30 31

B♭ Cl.
28 29 30 31

Vla.
28 29 30 31
mf

Vc.
28 29 30 31
mf

Pno.
28 29 30 31
mf

32 33 34 35

S
mouth. And sweet soft rains of shin - ing

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

subito mp

pizz.

subito mp

subito mp

rhythmic

36 37 38 39

S
Ap - - - ril wea - ther Found not my lips where li - ving

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

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40 41 42 43

S
 kis - - - ses are; I bowed my head lest they put

Ob.
p

B♭ Cl.
p

Vla.
 arco

Vc.
 arco

Pno.

44 45 46 47

S
 out my glo - ry As rain puts out a

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.
mf

Vc.
mf

Pno.
mf

48 49 50 51

S
star. I am my love's and he is

Ob.
mp

B^b Cl.
mp

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

52 53 54 55

S
mine for - ev - er, for - ev - er, sealed with a seal and

Ob.

B^b Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

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S
safe — for-ev - er - more; Think you that I could,

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

espr.

S
think you that I could let a beg - - gar — en - ter where a

Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.

subito mp

subito p

subito p

subito p

subito p

64 65 66 67

S
king stood be - - - fore?

Ob.
mf

B \flat Cl.

Vla.
mf

Vc.
espr.
mf

Pno.
mf

68 69 70 71 72

S

Ob.
mf

B \flat Cl.

Vla.

Vc.

Pno.
rit.