



Star Spangled Banner

NATIONAL SONG

for the

Piano

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THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER.

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Con spirito.

Oh say can you see by the dawn's ear-ly

The first system of the musical score for 'The Star Spangled Banner'. It features a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics 'Oh say can you see by the dawn's ear-ly' are written below the vocal line.

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The second system of the musical score. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'light, What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming, Whose broad stripes and bright'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines in both hands.

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The third system of the musical score. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics 'stars, thro' the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming; And the'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support throughout the system.

rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still

there. Oh! say, does that star spangled ban-ner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the

CHORUS.
Trebble.

Alto.

home of the brave? Oh! say, does that star spangled banner yet wave O'er the land of the

Tenor.

Bass.

free and the home of the brave?

pp *ff* *x x*

2.

On the shore dimly seen thro' the mist of the deep,
 Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
 What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
 As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
 Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
 In full glory reflected, now shines in the stream:
 'Tis the star-spangled banner — Oh! long may it wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

3.

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore,
 'Mid the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
 A home and a country they'd leave us no more?
 There blood has wash'd out there foul foot-steps pollution;
 No refuge can save the hireling and slave,
 From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave,
 And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

4.

Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
 Between their loved home and the war's desolation;
 Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heaven-rescued land
 Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
 Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
 And this be our motto, "In God is our trust,"
 And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.