

## EDITORS' NOTE

The rhythmic variety of this lilting commentary on love and song makes it an outstanding example of the light Italian “canzonetta.” In the original version there are no bar lines, and the pulse unit is a half note; the editors have changed the pulse unit to a quarter note and added bar lines and dynamic markings.

For the benefit of those who would like to sing it in its entirety, the additional three verses of Italian text are printed below.

—Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

3. Ne vi far cifra ò segno contra segno.  
Sopra ogn'a cosa quest' è'l mio disegno:  
*Refrain*
4. Con questo stile il fortunato Orfeo  
Proserpina la giù placar poteo:  
*Refrain*
5. Questo è lo stile che quetar già feo  
Con dolcezza à Saul lo spirto reo!  
*Refrain*

# FA UNA CANZONE

(Sing Me A Song)

A Canzonetta for Four-Part Chorus, *a cappella*

English version by A.P.

ORAZIO VECCHI

Quickly and rhythmically

**SOPRANO**

**ALTO**

**TENOR**

**BASS**

**Refrain**

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**1**

**6**

**11**

**16**

1. Fa u - na can - zo - na sen - za no - te ne - re,  
1. Sing me a song with not a note of sadness!

Se mai bra - ma sti la mia gra zia ha - ve  
When all the pain of love drives me to madness:

Fal la dun tuo no ch'in vi ta al dor mi - re,  
Sing me to sleep with a sweet desire,

Dol Oh, ce - so

men - te, Dol - ce - men - te fa - cen - do - la fi - ni - re.  
gen - tly, Oh, so gen - tly from sound to si - lence fad - ing.

22 *mf*

2. Per en - tro non vi spar - ge re lov - du rez - ze,  
2. Sing me a song to cool a - ger's burn - ing!

27 *f*

Che le mie o - > re cchie the non vi so no a vez  
When to my heart > keeps a - guish re turn - ing

*Refrain*

32 *p*

Fal - la d'un tuo né ch'm vi - ta al dor - mi - re, Dol - ce -  
Sing me to sleep with a sweet se - re - nad - ing, Oh, so

*p*

*mp*

37 *p*

men - te, Dol ce - men - te fa - cen - do - la fi - ni -  
gen - tly, Oh so gen - tly from sound to si - lence - fad - ing.

