



The Blue Bird

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Mary E. Coleridge
(1861-1907)

For unaccompanied SATB chorus and soprano solo

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(1852-1924)
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Larghetto tranquillo

pp

Soprano Solo

blue

Soprano

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, The lake lay blue be -

Alto

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, The lake lay blue be -

Tenor

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, The lake lay blue be -

Bass

The lake lay blue be - low the hill, The lake lay blue be -

Larghetto tranquillo

pp

Piano
(for rehearsal only)

7

blue O'er it, as I looked there flew a -
 low the hill, be - low the hill lay blue,
 low the hill, be - low the hill lay blue,
 low the hill, be - low the hill lay blue,

This block contains the musical notation for measures 7 through 11. It includes a vocal line and four piano accompaniment staves. The lyrics are: "blue O'er it, as I looked there flew a - low the hill, be - low the hill lay blue,". The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

12

cross the wa-ters, cold and still, a bird whose wings were
 Cold and still there flew a bird whose wings were
 Cold and still there flew a bird whose wings were
 Cold and still there flew a bird whose wings were

This block contains the musical notation for measures 12 through 16. It includes a vocal line and four piano accompaniment staves. The lyrics are: "cross the wa-ters, cold and still, a bird whose wings were Cold and still there flew a bird whose wings were". The piano accompaniment continues with a similar rhythmic pattern, featuring chords and moving lines in both hands.

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ppp pa - lest blue. *p* blue

ppp pa - lest blue. *p* The sky a - bove was blue at last, The sky be-

ppp pa - lest blue. *p* The sky a - bove was blue at last, The sky be-

ppp pa - lest blue. *p* The sky a - bove was blue at last, The sky be-

ppp pa - lest blue. *p* The sky a - bove was blue at last, The sky be-

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mf blue A mo - ment, ere there bird had passed,

pp neath me blue in blue, was blue in blue, blue in

pp neath me blue in blue, was blue in blue, blue in

pp neath me blue in blue, was blue in blue, blue in

pp neath me blue in blue, was blue in blue, blue in

33

mf

It caught his im - age his im - age as he

mf

blue, It caught, it caught his im - age, his im-age as he

mf

blue, It caught, it caught his im - age, his im-age as he

mf

blue, It caught, it caught his im - age, his im-age as he

mf

blue, It caught it caught his im - age, as he

mf

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Più lento

ppp

flew. blue.

ppp *quasi niente*

flew. The lake lay blue be - low the hill.

ppp *quasi niente*

flew. The lake lay blue be - low the hill.

ppp *quasi niente*

flew. The lake lay blue be - low the hill.

ppp *quasi niente*

flew. *Più lento* The lake lay blue be - low the hill.

ppp *quasi niente*