

Linger Not Darling

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Andante affettuoso

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It begins with a piano introduction in 6/8 time, marked 'Andante affettuoso'. The key signature has four flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor). The introduction features a melody in the right hand and a harmonic accompaniment in the left hand. The vocal entry begins at measure 5. The lyrics are: 'Lin-ger not dar-ling, a - wake from thy sleep, Sweet - ly the star of Love shines o'er the deep; Lin-ger not dar-ling, the glim - mer - ing sea, Sings of thy beau - ty in low mel - o - dy;'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. The score includes measure numbers 5, 9, and 13. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line: A-flat, F7, B-flat, E-flat7, A-flat, B-flat7, E-flat, and E-flat(#5). The piece concludes with a piano part marked 'dim.' (diminuendo).

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A $\flat$ F7 B $\flat$ E $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ B $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$ E $\flat$ (#5)

Lin-ger not dar-ling, a - wake from thy sleep, Sweet - ly the star of Love shines o'er the deep;
Lin-ger not dar-ling, the glim - mer - ing sea, Sings of thy beau - ty in low mel - o - dy;

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A $\flat$ F7 B $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$

Fair - y winged zeph - yrs have gone to their rest, Kiss - ing good night to the birds in their nest,
Ros - es and lil - ies are smil - ing in dreams, Soft - ly is heard the light step of the streams,

dim.

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13 *dolce*

Wake from thy ra - diant dreams of de - light, Fair - est of gems on the
 Why art thou slumb' - ring, eve - ry thing fair, Rev - els to - night in the

Chords: D $\flat$ /F, D $\flat$ m/E, A $\flat$ /E $\flat$, B $\flat$ 7/D, D $\flat$ dim, A $\flat$ /C, D $\flat$ /F, A $\flat$ /E $\flat$

Dynamic: *p*

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brow of the night. Lin - ger not dar - ling I've some-thing to tell,
 sil - ver - y air.

Chords: B $\flat$ 7, E $\flat$, A $\flat$, F7, B $\flat$ 7

Dynamic: *cresc.*

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Un - der the leaves in the shad-ow - y dell, Un - der the leaves in the shad-ow - y dell.

Chords: E $\flat$ 7, A $\flat$, B $\flat$ 7(omit 5), E $\flat$, E $\flat$ 7/D $\flat$ A $\flat$ /C, A $\flat$ 7/C, D $\flat$, D dim7, E $\flat$, E $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$

Dynamic: *dim.*, *rit.*, *colla voce*

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A^b F F7 B^b7 E^b7 A^b B^b7(omit 5) E^b E^b7/D^b

Lin - ger not dar-ling I've some-thing to tell, Un - der the leaves in the shad-ow - y dell,

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Lin - ger not dar-ling I've some-thing to tell, Un - der the leaves in the shad-ow - y dell,

27

A^b/C A^b7/C D^b Ddim7 E^b E^b7 A^b

Un - der the leaves in the shad-ow - y dell.

8

Un - der the leaves in the shad-ow - y

f