

Rigoletto Variations

for brass band

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Based on the song 'Questa o quella' from Act 1 of Verdi's opera *Rigoletto*.

Duration: c.25 minutes

Performance notes:

Solo cornets 3 & 4, flugelhorn, bass trombone and Bb basses do not play in Variation 3.

Low notes: Bb basses need to be able to reach written low D.

Mute requirements: all cornets require straight mutes. In addition, the soprano and repiano cornets require cup mutes, and the 3rd cornets need harmon or plunger mutes.

There are no percussion parts in this piece.

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1 Presto **10** Solo horn

sfz

mf

p *f* rit. - - - - -

A tempo **1** *ff*

13 Barit 1 *p*

f

1 *mf*

12 Solo tbn

f *fp*

fp *f* **4**

76 *p*

79 *mf*

2

83 *mp*

5

92 *mp*

1 3

101 *f*

104 *ff*

3

109 *ff*

3

Solo cor. rit. A tempo

115 *mp*

6

124 *mf*

4

solo

131 *mf* *p*

3

Slightly slower

140 *Poco rit.* *Even slower* *Tempo 1*

1 2

Flugelhorn in Bb

146 *mf* *f*

149 **2** *f* *Only short break*

153 **2** Steady, with menace **9** Solo cor *blaring* *f*

166 **9** *mf* *f*

180 **18** Solo cor *blaring* *f*

203 **4** *f* **5**

216 *sfz*

222 **6** *p* *f*

233 **11** *ff*

248 **3** Slowly flowing **33** *tacet*

282 **4** Take time - - - - - Not too slow **1** Solo horn *p*

290

297 rit. . . . Slightly slower rit. .

Solo horn

304 - Slower 3 Solo horn

311 *f* Held back Gradual rit. to the end 1 Very slow 2 //

319 5 Fast and wild 1 *mf*<

324 Rit. ----- Steady, ponderous 1

f *f* *f* *mf* *ff* *f*

331 *stacc.*

335 *p* *f stacc.*

340 *mf*

345 solo *f* *f*

349 Gradual rit. ----- Tempo of Variation 1 12

6 *sfz*

MAS4

Flugelhorn in Bb

364 ----- **rit. molto** -----

Barit 1 **8** Solo tbn

377 **THEME**
Allegretto

2 3 4 5

p sempre staccato

382 6 7 8 9 10

387 11 12 13 14 15

392 16 17 18

397

mf

402

p **2**

411

p **2** *mf*

418 1 2 3 4 5

p

423 6 7 8 9 10

428 11 12 13 14 15

Flugelhorn in B♭

433 16 17 18 19 20

438 21 22

443 2

451 2

458 rit. Old ♩ = new ♩

463 Solo cor 1

469 6 Flowing crotchet pulse, not too slow 8

483

490 2

497 solo

503 3 6

Flugelhorn in B \flat

516 **7** Moderate crotchet pulse

1

detached

Tenor horns

mp

521

p

p

p

cantabile

525

529

3

mp

534

2

p

1

cantabile

mp

539

8: FINALE

543 Moderately fast

6

Poco rit. - - - - A tempo

Solo cor

p *f*

553

mf

f

mp

559

5

mf

570

f

p

579

5

1

ff

f

mf light

591



598



604



618

