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# 13 Tango Passions for Mandolin and Guitar

by Ely Karasik

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## Mandolin

Every time I come across music written for mandolin and guitar ensembles I find that the guitar part is always written as accompaniment. For that reason I felt the need to compose original music for mandolin and guitar duos so that the guitar part is an equal part, not accompaniment.

I never saw a tango written for mandolin - guitar duo so I wrote thirteen. Each one has a Spanish title suggesting a particular feeling. A ballet company in Denver took five of them and choreographed a ballet-tango interpretation for a public performance. For my compact disk recordings I felt the need to add accordion and double-bass.

*Ely Karasik*



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*Dedicated to Elaine Bloch*

# *Introduction*

The thirteen compositions contained in this collection were originally self-published by composer/mandolin virtuoso **Ely Karasik** in three separate volumes: *Tango Passions*, *Tango Moods*, and *Tango Memories*. In addition to mandolin and guitar duos, Ely Karasik has written vocal musical settings for poems by Edgar Allan Poe, Ogden Nash, Lewis Carroll, Pablo Neruda, Jorge Borges, and Lewis Ginsberg. These are either solo or choral arrangements.

*Rhapsody in Gold* by Henry Musmano is a theatre play about the discovery of gold in Colorado. Included are 13 songs written by Karasik.

Finally, two poems set for solo voice and mandolin orchestra: *Mandoline* by Paul Verlaine and *Mona Lisa and Her Mandoline* by Ely Karasik.

Although indicated, elements such as tempo, phrasing, dynamics, mandolin tremolo, and guitar voicing are left to the professional judgment of the performers. Other instruments can be added, *ad libitum*.

# Picante

$\bullet = 108$

A-

F

D-

B<sup>o</sup>

E7

A- Ely Karasik

Mandolin



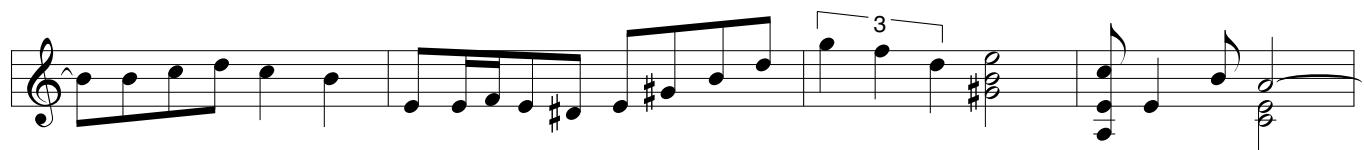
$\frac{8}{8}$  A-

D- D-6



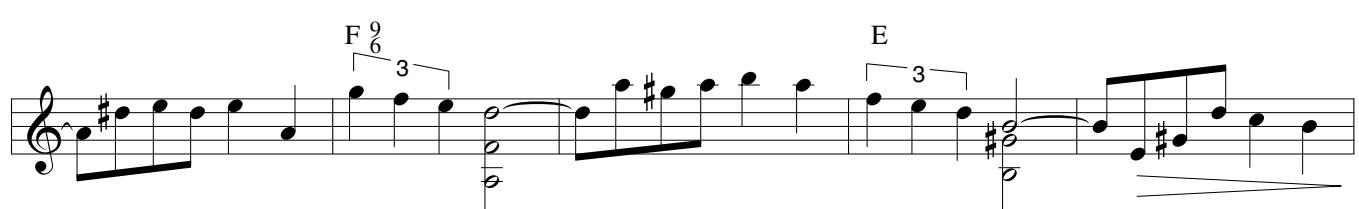
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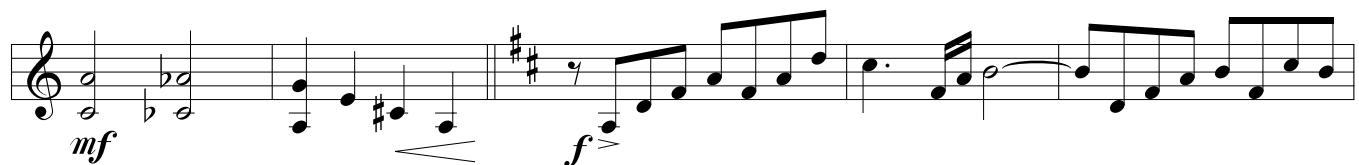
F<sub>6</sub><sup>9</sup>

E



A- A<sup>o</sup> A7

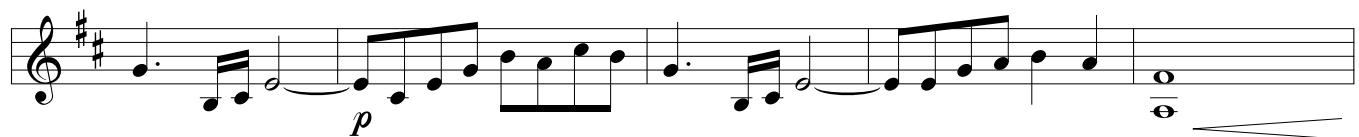
D



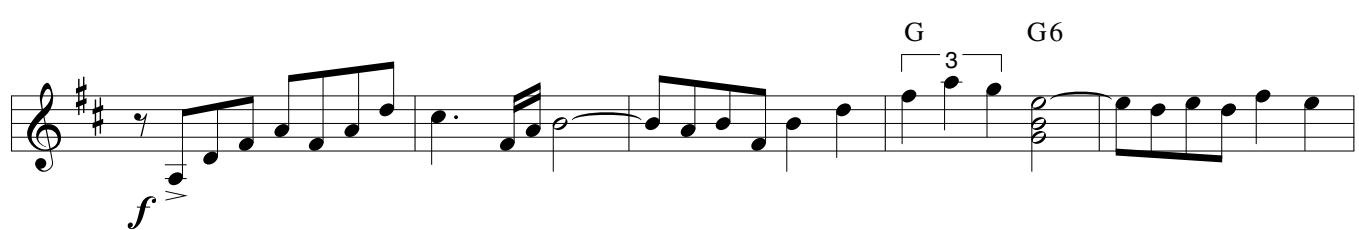
E-

A7

D



G G6



G-6 D- E

D- C B E7

A- D- G F E D- C B

E7 A- D-

G F B♭ G- E7

A- F D- B ♫ E7 A-

D.S. al CODA Φ

Φ A- CODA D- E F♯-7 E6

**FINE**

# Tristeza

Ely Karasik

Mandolin  = 84

**1.**

C 3 3 E- 3 3 A- 3 3 A<sup>#</sup> 3 3  
**2.**

B 3 3 C B7 F<sup>#</sup> B7 A- F<sup>#</sup> 5 B7 E-  E- A-  
E- A- F7 A° F7 A°  F7 A° B7  
F7 F<sup>#</sup> B7 E- B7  
C B7 1.  
E- A- D7 2.  
accel.

**3.**

G f A-6 B7 E- A- D7  
E- D G 8 B<sup>b</sup> A7 G° B7 A-7  
E- B7 E- CODA F7 B<sup>b</sup>7 B  
D.S. al  retard. FINE



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# ¿Baile Conmigo?

## INTRODUCTION

Ely Karasik

Mandolin

$\text{♩} = 69$

Instrumental introduction for Mandolin. The score shows a series of chords and rhythmic patterns. The first measure starts with a single note followed by a 4-note chord (E7). The second measure shows a 3-note chord (A7). The third measure consists of a single note (D). The fourth measure shows a single note (B-). The fifth measure shows a 3-note chord (D+5). The dynamic is marked *mf*.

F $\sharp$ 7      G      B-7      A $\sharp$  $\circ$

The score continues with a 4-measure phrase. The first measure shows a 3-note chord (F $\sharp$ 7). The second measure shows a 3-note chord (G). The third measure shows a 3-note chord (B-7). The fourth measure shows a 3-note chord (A $\sharp$  $\circ$ ). The dynamic is *mf*.

B      TANGO      B7      E-

$\text{♩} = 100$

*accel.*

The score transitions to a "TANGO" section. It starts with a single note (B). The dynamic is *mf*. The next measure shows a 3-note chord (B7). The following measures show various rhythmic patterns and dynamics, including a dynamic marking *f*. The section ends with a single note (E-).

A-      F $\sharp$  $\circ$

The score continues with a 2-measure phrase. The first measure shows a 3-note chord (A-). The second measure shows a 3-note chord (F $\sharp$  $\circ$ ). The dynamic is *mf*.

D7      G      E-

The score continues with a 3-measure phrase. The first measure shows a 3-note chord (D7). The second measure shows a 3-note chord (G). The third measure shows a single note (E-). The dynamic is *mf*.

A-      E7      A7

*ritard.*  $\overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$   $\overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$   $\overbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$

$\text{♩} = 69$

The score concludes with a 3-measure phrase. The first measure shows a single note (A-). The second measure shows a 3-note chord (E7). The third measure shows a single note (A7). The dynamic is *mf*. There is a tempo marking  $\text{♩} = 69$  above the first measure of this section.

INTERLUDE

$\text{♩} = 69$

The interlude begins with a single note (D). The next measure shows a 3-note chord (B-). The following measure shows a 3-note chord (D+5). The next measure shows a 3-note chord (F $\sharp$ 7). The final measure shows a 3-note chord (G). The dynamic is *mf*.

B-7                    F<sup>#</sup>7                    A7                    D

TANGO                    ritard.

$\text{♩} = 100$             G-

ff

D7                    E $\flat$                     D7

G-                    C-

B $\flat$                     A $\circ$                     B7

*ritard.*

EPILOGUE

$\text{♩} = 69$             E7                    A $\circ$                     D                    B-

*mf*

D+5                    F<sup>#</sup>7                    G

B-7                    A $\sharp\circ$                     A7                    D6

*ritard.*

FINE

# Amargo-Dulce

$\bullet = 88$

E $\flat$ 7( $\flat$ 9)

Ely Karasik

Mandolin

Music Staff 1 (Measures 1-10): Key signature changes from B $\flat$  to F. Dynamics:  $f$ ,  $p$ ,  $f$ . Chords: B $\flat$  $\circ$ , A $\flat$ , G7, C-, F.

Music Staff 2 (Measures 11-20): Key signature changes from C- to D $\flat$ M7. Dynamics:  $p$ . Chords: C-, G7, D $\flat$ , D $\flat$ M7,  $\emptyset$ .

Music Staff 3 (Measures 21-30): Key signature changes from F- to E-. Dynamics:  $p$ . Chords: F-, G7, G7, E-.

Music Staff 4 (Measures 31-40): Key signature changes from A-9 to D7 to E-7. Dynamics:  $p$ .

Music Staff 5 (Measures 41-50): Key signature changes from F# to B7 to E. Dynamics:  $f$ .

Music Staff 6 (Measures 51-60): Key signature changes from C# to F# to D. Dynamics:  $p$ .

Music Staff 7 (Measures 61-70): Key signature changes from B7 to E-7 to F# $\flat$ . Dynamics:  $p$ .

Music Staff 8 (Measures 71-80): Key signature changes from G7 to D.S. al CODA to CODA. Dynamics:  $f$ .

Music Staff 9 (Measures 81-90): Key signature changes from F- to B $\circ$  to C- to G. Dynamics: ritard.

Music Staff 10 (Measures 91-95): Key signature changes from C- to G. Dynamics: FINE.

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# Amor Eterno

## PROLOGUE

*Mandolin*  $\text{♩} = 76$  AM7 F-6 C $\sharp$  Ely Karasik

This section starts with a mandolin part in 5/4 time, dynamic *mf*. It consists of two measures of eighth-note patterns. The first measure is labeled AM7 and the second F-6. The key signature changes to one sharp at the end of the second measure.

D6 GM7 E $\flat$   
B $\circ$  C6 E  
E7

This section continues the mandolin part. It includes measures labeled D6, GM7, E-flat, B-circle, C6, E, and E7. The tempo is indicated as  $\text{♩} = 84$ .

A- B

This section shows the melodic line continuing from the previous section, labeled A- and B.

TANGO  
D $\sharp$  D $\flat$  C $\sharp$  B7 E7  
*accel.*

This section is labeled "TANGO". It features a rhythmic pattern with harmonic labels D-sharp, D-flat, C-sharp, B7, and E7. The dynamic is marked *accel.* followed by *f*.

A- D-

This section shows the melodic line continuing from the previous section, labeled A- and D-.

E A- E7

This section shows the melodic line continuing with harmonic labels E, A-, and E7.

A- D- E7

This section shows the melodic line continuing with harmonic labels A-, D-, and E7.

A- D- F E7 A

Measures 1-5 show a sequence of chords: A major (two notes), D major (two notes), F major (two notes), E7 (three notes), and A major (two notes). The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns.

A B-

Measures 6-7 show chords A and B. The first measure has a dynamic of *mf*. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns.

E7 A F

Measures 8-10 show chords E7, A, and F. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns.

D- D- A- E7 A- D-

Measures 11-13 show chords D, D, A, E7, A, and D. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns. A dynamic of *ff* is indicated under the first two measures of the bass line.

E A- D- E F

Measures 14-16 show chords E, A, D, E, and F. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns.

D- F# E ritard. 5/4

Measures 17-18 show chords D and F#. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns. A dynamic of *ritard.* is indicated. The time signature changes to 5/4 for the remainder of the section.

### EPILOGUE

*♩ = 76* AM7 F-6 C#

Measures 19-21 show chords AM7, F-6, and C#. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns. A dynamic of *mf* is indicated.

D6 GM7 Eb-6

Measures 22-24 show chords D6, GM7, and Eb-6. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns.

B° E7 AM7 FINE

Measures 25-27 show chords B°, E7, and AM7. The bass line consists of eighth-note patterns. A dynamic of *ritard.* is indicated. The section concludes with a *FINE* at the end of measure 27.

# Alegria

Mandolin Ely Karasik

**Tempo:** = 108

**Chords:**

- F#7
- G
- B
- A-6
- E-
- F#7
- B7
- E-
- E-
- A-
- B
- E-
- A-7
- D7
- B
- D7
- B7
- E-
- D
- G
- F7
- Bb
- Eb-6
- Bb-
- Eb-6

$F\sharp^{\circ}$

B7                    E-

G7                    A-

A ♩

G-

$F\sharp^{\circ}$

∅

*f*

B7

E-      D.S. al CODA

∅  
CODA  
G

D

*ff*

G6

*p*

*ritard.*

//  
E-      B

*f*      FINE

# No Me Abandonas

**♩ = 92**

D- B♭ D- G- E° F-7 D♭° § D-

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E ♩

Mandolin

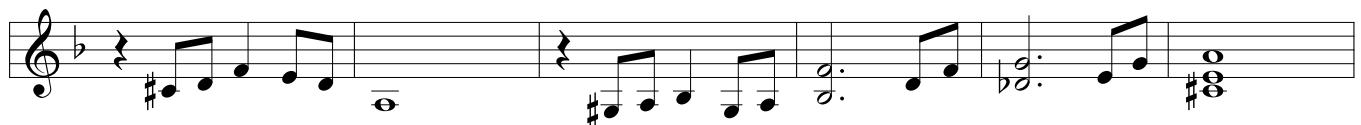


D-

B♭7

G°

A7



C-6

G-7

∅ D-



G-

A

F-6

D°



A-7

G°

D-

E♭6

A7

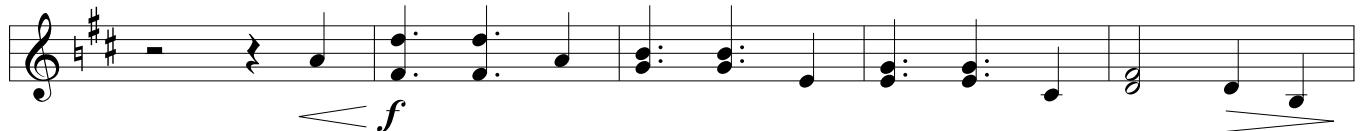


D

E-7

A7

B-7



F♯-7

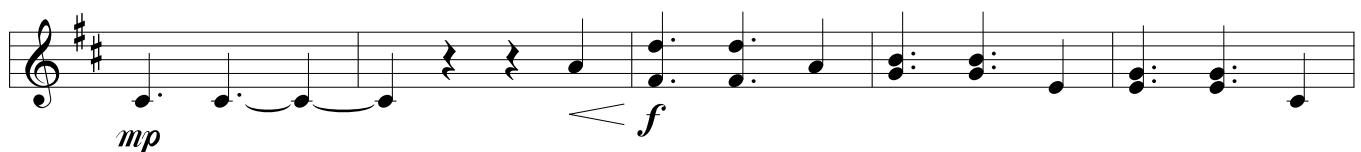
A7

D

D6

E-7

A7



B-7                      F $\sharp$ -7                      D                      E-                      D  
  
 A                      B-                      F $\sharp$ -7  
  
 G                      G6                      C7  
  
 A7                      D.S. al CODA      Ø CODA      E°      A7(ø)      D6  
*ritard.*                      FINE

# Pensativo

$\text{♩} = 108$

C7

B $\flat$ 7

A $\flat$ 7

G7

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Mandolin

A-

B°

E

E7

A-

F

D-

B♭

B7

F

E7

1.

E F G

E7

A

*mf*

3

D6

D-

A7

C°

E7

1.

G7

2.

D.S. al CODA

Φ

$\Phi$

CODA

G-

B°

A♭6

*p*

*ritard.*

C-

G

*f*

FINE

# Corazón Vacío

$\text{♩} = 96$

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Mandolin

E♭M7      C-7      A7      D-7

*mf rubato*

E7      D-      A-      F♯ A      G7

*a tempo*

$\frac{2}{3}$  C-      F-      G

*mf*

F-7      D7      A°      C°      G7      D

$\frac{3}{4}$  1.      2.

D7      G7

*f*

A-      B7

E-       $E\flat \#5$       1.      E-      C $\circ$       2.      G7      D.S. al CODA       $\emptyset$

**CODA**       $E\flat M7$       C-7      A7

D-      E7

D-      A-      A $\flat$  $\circ$       GM7

*retard.*

FINE

# *Querida*

Ely Karasik

Mandolin

*f*

F-7      D°

G-      C♯°      D7      G- D7 G-

§ G-      C-6

D      D7      G-      G7

C      CM7      F6      F-6

*mf*

A-7      D-      G7      G      D°      B7

E      A-

*f*

C                      F $\sharp$  Q                      B7                      G  

 1.                      2.  
 G7                      C  

 2.  
 F                      D-                      G7  

 3.  
 C                      C                      A-                      F $\sharp$  Q                      D7                      E $\flat$  6  
 1.                      2.  

 4.  
 C-                      D7                      D.S. al CODA                      CODA  
 G-                      D7                      G-                      G-                      D7                      G-  

 5.  
 C-                      D                      E $\flat$                       D7 $\sharp$                       G-                      D  

 6.  
 ff  
 FINE

# Esperanza

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Mandolin

**Measure 1:** G7, E $\flat$ 7, C7. Dynamics:  $f$ ,  $\text{h}\bar{p}$ ,  $p$ ,  $\text{h}\bar{p}$ ,  $p$ ,  $\text{h}\bar{p}$ ,  $p$ ,  $\text{h}\bar{p}$ ,  $p$ .

**Measure 2:** F- (dynamic  $f$ ), F-

**Measure 3:** B $\flat$ -6, A $\flat$ 6, C7.

**Measure 4:** F- (1st ending), F- (2nd ending), F (dynamic ff), F, E $\flat$ .

**Measure 5:** D-, F-, G-, C7 (1st ending).

**Measure 6:** F, B $\flat$  $\circ$ , A $\circ$ , D7, G- (dynamic  $mf$ ).

E♭M7

D7

G-

C- D 1.

D7 2.

G- D7

*ritard.* D.C. al φ

φ D7

f

ritard.

G-

E♭

D

FINE

# Compasión

Mandolin      Ely Karasik

Ely Karasik

Mandolin

*mp*

*A-*      *E7*      *A-*      *D-*

*B°*

*f*

*F*

B♭- F C7

F E A7

*f*

B- 3

A7 D 3

F#- 3

F#- 3

CODA

A7 D D7 G-7 B♭7 A- E7 A- FINE

*ritard.*

*mp*

*mf ritard.*

D.C. al  $\emptyset$

# *Amoroso*

A

$\bullet = 80$

F#-

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Mandolin

G G- D- Bb A7

D- G- G- A7

D- A7 1. D-Db+F F7 2. Bb

D- G- Eb6

F7 1. Bb Bb D- E E7 A7 D

A7 D F#- 8

B- E7 A7 D

A7 D F#

B- E7 A  
*ritard.* *mp*  
**B** = 80 F# D7  
*mf*

G G- D- Bb 3 A  
*ritard.*

D- A7 D- G-  
*f*

A7 D- A7

2. D- Db+ F F7 Bb  
*f*

D-                    G-                    E $\flat$ 6                    F7

B $\flat$                     B $\flat$  D- E E7                    A7                    D  
 1.                    2.                    f

A7                    D                    F $\sharp$ -

B-                    E7                    A7

D                    A7                    D

F $\sharp$ -                    B-

E7                    A                    C $\sharp$                     F $\sharp$ -  
*ritard.*                    mp                    mf                    =80

D7

G G- D- B $\flat$

A A7 D- A7 D-

G- A7

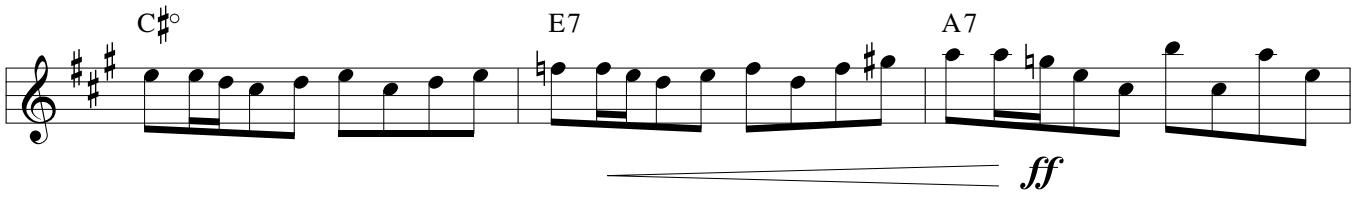
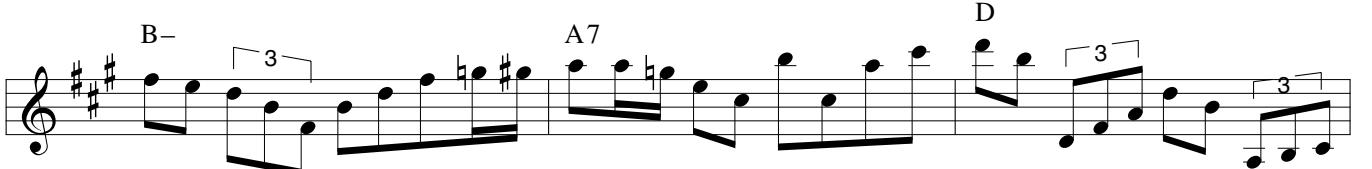
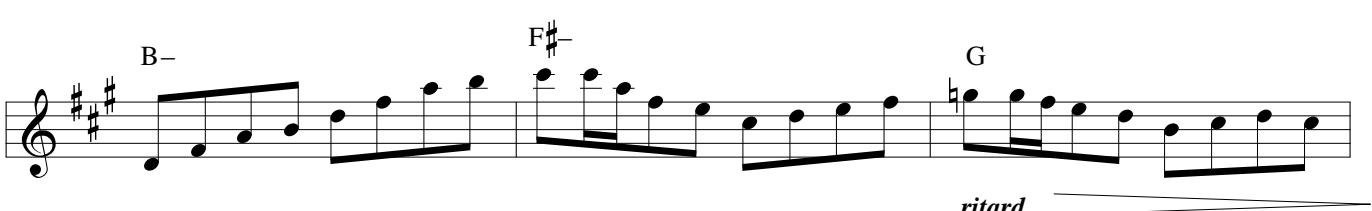
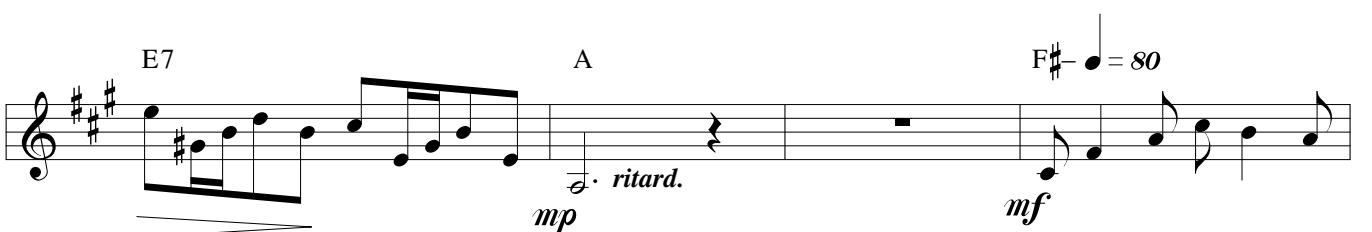
D- D- B $\flat$

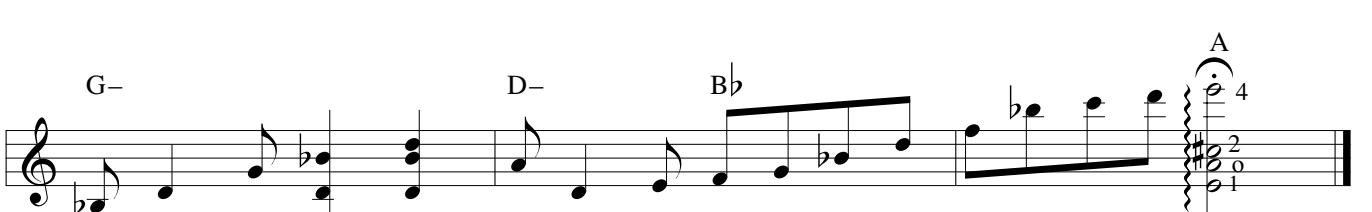
G-

E $\flat$ 6 F7 B $\flat$  1. B $\flat$  2. B $\flat$ D-E E7

A7 D A7

D F $\sharp$  E-7

C<sup>#</sup>  

  
 B-      A7      D  

  
 B-      F<sup>#</sup>-      G  

  
 E7      A      F<sup>#</sup>- = 80  

  
 D7      G  

  
 G-      D-      B<sup>b</sup>  


FINE