

Ae Fond Kiss

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Award for Choral Composition

from
SCOTTISH CONTRASTS
Written upon the departure of
Annes Nancy McLehose to Jamaica,
ne'er to be seen again by Robbie

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Lyrics: Robbie Burns
Source: Scottish Folksong

approx. 3'40"

Con amore; not quickly molto rubato $\bullet = 40$ *tempo stricto*

pp *mf* *pp* *f* *pp* *mp* *p*

1. Ae fond kiss and then we se-ver;

A - e Ae fond kiss... A - e

6 *p* *mf* *p* *mp* *f* *p*

ae fare well and then for ev-er. Deep in heart-wrung tears I'll pledge thee,

mp *f* *p*

10 *mf* *poco rall* *p* *poco rubato*

war - ing sighs and groans I'll wage thee. Ae fond kiss...

mf *p*

13 *slightly faster and regular* $\bullet = 48$

Ae

mf *f*

2. Who shall say that For - tune grieves him, while the star of hope she leaves him?

17 *rallentando*

mf *mp* *port.*

Me, mae cheer - fu' twin - kle lights me, Dark des - pair a - round be - nights me. —

21 *rubato* *p* *much slower* *pp* *faster, tempo stricto* ♩ = 54 *f*

p *morendo* *mp* *f*

Ae fond kiss; Ae fond kiss... Ahh...
3. I'll n'er blame my par - tial fan - cy;

25 *mp*

Ah...
sub.mp

nae - thing could re - sist my Nan - cy! But to see her was to love her,

29 *more slowly* *mp* *even more slowly* *f* *rall.* *p*

Ah... Ae fond kiss; Ae fond kiss...
mp *f* *p*

Love but her, and love for - ev - er. Ae fond kiss; Ah... fond kiss...

piu mosso - tempo stricto ♩ = 48 *slightly slower*

33 *mf* *f*

4. Had we ne-ver loved sae kind-ly, Ne - ver met- or

Had we ne - ver loved sae blind-ly, Ne - ver met- or

poco rallentando

38 *mp* *mf*

ne - ver par - ted-, We had n'erbeen bro - ken heart - ed. Ah... Ae fond kiss...-

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