

Capricho Árabe

(Simplified Arrangement in A-minor)

Francisco Tárrega
(1852 - 1909)

Andantino (♩ = 70)

First system of musical notation, measures 1-2. Treble clef, 3/4 time signature. The music features a sequence of chords and single notes with fingerings (0, 2, 4, 2, 2, 3, 0, 0, 2, 4, 2, 2, 3, 2). A *rit.* marking is present above the second measure.

Second system of musical notation, measures 3-4. Treble clef. Measure 3 starts with a *a tempo* marking and a *S* symbol. Fingerings include *i*, *m*, *i*, *m*, *i*, *m* and *a*. Measure 4 continues with similar patterns and fingerings.

Third system of musical notation, measures 5-6. Treble clef. Measure 5 includes a circled 1 and fingerings *i*, *m*, *i*, *m*. Measure 6 includes a circled 2, circled 1, circled 2, and fingerings *i*, *m*, *i*, *m*, *i*. A *3/6 CV* marking is present above measure 6.

Fourth system of musical notation, measures 7-8. Treble clef. Measure 7 includes fingerings *m*, *i*, *m*, *i*, *m*, *i*, *m*. Measure 8 includes fingerings *m*, *i*, *m*, *i*, *m*.

Fifth system of musical notation, measures 9-11. Treble clef. Measure 9 includes fingerings *i*, *m*. Measure 10 includes fingerings *i*, *m*, *i*, *a*. Measure 11 includes a circled 3, circled 2, circled 3, and fingerings *m*, *i*, *m*, *i*. A *rit.* marking is present above measure 11.

To Coda

Sixth system of musical notation, measures 12-14. Treble clef. Measure 12 starts with a *a tempo* marking. Measures 12-14 include first and second endings. Measure 14 includes a *rit.* marking.

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17

19

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D.S. al Coda

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rit.

T
A
B

a tempo

T
A
B

T
A
B

T
A
B

9

0 1 4 3 1 1 0 4 1 0 2 1 3 2 1 3 4 1 0 3 2 1 0 2 3 1 2

0 3 6 5 3 1 0 3 1 0 5 4 7 5 8 7 9 10 7 0 2 3 1 2

0 0 3 0

To Coda

12 *a tempo*

0 2 2 3 1 0 2 0 2 2 3 1 0 2 0 2 2 3 0 2 0 3 0

0 1 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 2 0 2 0 0 2 0 3 0 1 0 3 0

0 2 3 1 2 3 1 2 3 1 2 3 0 2 3 0 2 3 0 2 3 0 3

15

0 0 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 0 2 0 2 0 0 1 0 3 0 1 0 3

0 1 0 1 (0) 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 2 0 0 0 3 0 0 3 0 3

3 3 0 3 3

17

3 0 1 0 (1) 2 0 1 0 2 3 0 0 3 3 2 0 2 0 3

0 2 2 0 0 0 3 3 2 0 2 0 3 3 2 3 3

19

TAB: 0 1 0 1 (0) 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 | 2 0 0 3 0 2 0 1 3 1

A: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 2 2 2 0 2 0 0 0 0 0

B: 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 | 3 3 3 0 3 0 0 0 0 0

21

a *m* *i*

★ arm XII ①

TAB: 0 0 12 0 5 6 7 | 0 2 3 0 2 1

A: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | (0) 3 0 2 2 1

B: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | (0) 0 0 0 2 2 1

23

D.S. al Coda

rit.

TAB: 0 0 0 0 | 0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3 4

A: 0 0 0 0 | 2 3 4 0 1 2 3 4

B: (0) 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

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TAB: 5 5 5 5 | 5 0

A: 5 5 5 5 | 5 0

B: 5 0 5 0 | 5 0

★ - it can be played with the right hand

The 7 Steps to Learn Any Piece

1. Make small sections
2. Know all the notes and musical markings
3. Clap and count the rhythm aloud
4. Play the right hand alone, counting aloud
5. Play the left hand alone, counting aloud
6. Play hands together, pausing when needed (no mistakes, counting aloud)
7. Play hands together in rhythm, with a slow metronome, counting aloud

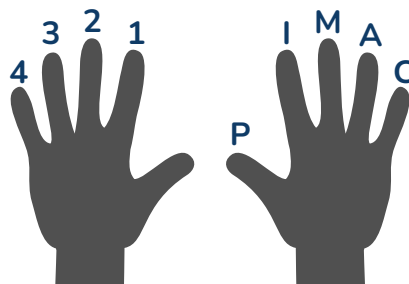
Musical Expression Starting Points

1. Know which notes are melody (probably stems up), and play the others quieter
2. Connect melody notes smoothly (no gaps)
3. When a musical line or melody goes up in pitch, get quieter towards the top (opposite at climaxes)
4. Don't let the high notes stand out (any note higher than those before and after)
5. When a melody or musical line goes down in pitch, get louder to create forward momentum
6. Repeated notes get louder (start quiet if you need to)
7. Before slowing down or speeding up (rubato), master it at a steady pace

Tips for Good Practice

1. For tricky spots, describe the problem in detail: Where, what, how? Ask, "What's going on here?"
2. Memorize every piece (even if you don't, you'll learn it faster if you try)
3. Have a clear purpose and goal for each repetition (rote repetition is lazy practice)
4. Record yourself often. Listen or watch to decide what to practice next

Fingering Notations



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