

ESTRELLITA

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Mexican composer Manuel M. Ponce (1882-1948) studied in Paris, where he befriended Andrés Segovia, among others. He wrote more than forty works for the guitar, and fifty popular songs and song cycles. With its beautiful melody and poignant verse, his beloved *Estrellita*, arranged here for voice and guitar by Gregg Nestor, is a classic in song literature.

Estrellita (*Little Star*)

Estrellita del lejano cielo,
que miras mi dolor,
que sabes mi sufrir.
Baja y dime
si me quiere un poco,
porque yo no puedo sin su amor vivir.

¡Tu eres estrella mi faro de amor!
Tu sabes que pronto he de morir.
Baja y dime
si me quiere un poco,
porque yo no puedo sin su amor vivir.

*Little star of the distant sky,
you see my pain,
you know my anguish.
Come down and tell me
if he loves me a little,
because I cannot live without his love.*

*You are my star, my beacon of love!
You know that soon I shall die.
Come down and tell me
if he loves me a little,
because I cannot live without his love.*

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MANUEL M. PONCE
(1882 - 1948)

Moderato

VOICE

GUITAR

p

Es - tre

IX⁴ III³ VIII⁴ I

Harm. 12th

3

lli - - - ta del le - ja - - - no cie - lo, que

p

5

mi - ras mi do - lor, que sa - bes mi su - frir. Ba - ja y

I

7

di - me si me quie - - - re un po - co, por-que yo no

f *rall. mf un poco piacere*

IV³

mf (col canto)

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9 a Tempo

sub. *p* (intimo)

pue - do sin su a - mor vi - vir. Es - tre - lli - ta del le - ja no

pizz.

sub. p (intimo)

12

cie - lo, que mi - ras mi do - lor, que sa - bes mi su - frir. Ba - ja y

I

15

sub. *mf*

rall. ---
p un poco piacere

di - me si me quie - - - re un po - - - co, por - que yo no

IV³

p (col canto)

sub. *mf*

17 a Tempo

mf

pue - do sin su a - mor vi - vir. ¡Tu

mf

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19

e - res es - tre - - - lla mi fa - ro de a - mor! Tu

21

(intimo)

sa - bes que pron - - - to he de mo - rir. Ba - ja y

(intimo)

23

mf *rall.* *mf*

di - me si me quie - - - re un po - - co, por - que yo no

25

a Tempo

espress. *mf*

pue - do sin su a - mor vi - vir.

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27

VIII III⁴ I III

② ③

⑥

29

mp

Ba - ja y

I III

31

f *un poco rit.* *a Tempo* *rall.* *mf*

un poco piacere

di - me si me quie - - - re un po - - co, por-que yo no -

I I IV³

f *mf*

33

pue - do sin su a - mor vi - vir.

V³ III I

pp Art. Harm.

