

NUTCRACKE **BALLET, SET**

MARCH OF THE NUTCRACKER and TREPAK

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INSTRUMENTATION

- Conductor Т
- L Ist C Flute
- 2nd C Flute L
- 2 Oboe
- I st B^b Clarinet 2
- 2 2nd B^b Clarinet
- B[,] Bass Clarinet Т
- 2 Bassoon
- Т E[,] Alto Saxophone
- B[,] Tenor Saxophone Т

- Ist B[,] Trumpet 2 2nd B[,] Trumpet
- 2 Ist Horn in F
- 2 2nd Horn in F
- I Ist Trombone
- 1 2nd Trombone

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- L Tuba
- L Percussion I (Timpani)
- 2 Percussion II (Cymbal and Triangle)

l st Violin 2nd Violin 3rd Violin

- (Optional Viola T.C.)
- Viola Cello
- String Bass

Piano

8

5

PROGRAM NOTES

The Nutcracker is based on a fairy tale in which a little girl dreams on Christmas night that her dolls and toys come to life and take part in a joyous revelry. They are led by the Nutcracker, who is a really nice prince.

The Nutcracker shows Tschaikowsky in his most lighthearted mood.

First Set

"Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy" is notable for its delicacy and transparency. The solo part, originally written for the celesta, is often played on the piano. "Waltz of the Flowers," the most popular of all of the dances in the ballet, contains exquisite melodies, luxurious harmonies, and colorful instrumentation.

Second Set

"March" opens with a miniature fanfare featuring the trumpets. It is a cheerful, jaunty little march—for toys rather than solders. "Trepak," or Russian dance, is lively, rhythmically exciting, and a bit noisy. Interesting are its unusual accents.

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TREPAK (Russian Dance) from the Nutcracker Suite Op.71



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