

# America, the Beautiful

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1. O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, For am - ber waves of grain,

The first system of music is in 4/4 time. The treble clef staff contains the melody, and the bass clef staff contains the accompaniment. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a dotted quarter note G4-A4, then a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F5, a quarter note G5, a quarter note A5, a quarter note B5, a quarter note C6, and a quarter note D6. The bass clef staff has a whole note G2, a whole note G2, a whole note G2, and a quarter note G2-F2.

For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the frui - ted plain!

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble clef staff starts with a quarter note D6, followed by a dotted quarter note D6-E6, then a quarter note F6, a quarter note G6, a quarter note A6, a quarter note B6, a quarter note C7, a quarter note D7, a quarter note E7, a quarter note F7, a quarter note G7, a quarter note A7, a quarter note B7, a quarter note C8, and a quarter note D8. The bass clef staff has a whole note G2, a whole note G2, a whole note G2, and a quarter note G2-F2.

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,

The third system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble clef staff starts with a quarter note D6, followed by a dotted quarter note D6-E6, then a quarter note F6, a quarter note G6, a quarter note A6, a quarter note B6, a quarter note C7, a quarter note D7, a quarter note E7, a quarter note F7, a quarter note G7, a quarter note A7, a quarter note B7, a quarter note C8, and a quarter note D8. The bass clef staff has a whole note G2, a whole note G2, a whole note G2, and a quarter note G2-F2.

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And crown thy good with broth- er-hood From sea to shin-ing sea!

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O beautiful for pilgrim feet Whose stern impassioned stress  
 A thoroughfare of freedom beat Across the wilderness!  
 America! America! God mend thine every flaw  
 Confirm thy soul in self-control Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife  
 Who more than self their country loved And mercy more than life!  
 America! America! May God thy gold refine  
 Till all success be nobleness And every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years  
 Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed by human tears!  
 America! America! God shed his grace on thee  
 And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!