

# Hold out, my heart

Thomas Morley (1557-1603)

from Canzonets to Three Voices (1593)

The musical score consists of three staves of music for three voices. The key signature is G major (two sharps). The tempo is indicated as  $\text{d} = 60$ . The vocal parts are:

- Bass:** The bass part begins with a rest, followed by a melodic line primarily consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes.
- Tenor:** The tenor part also begins with a rest, followed by a melodic line primarily consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes.
- Soprano:** The soprano part begins with a rest, followed by a melodic line primarily consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes.

The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the staff lines. The score includes measure numbers 1, 7, 12, and 19, and various rests and dynamic markings throughout the piece.

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that all the world, the world may know, may know it,  
what sweet con -  
tent,  
that all the world, my heart, may know, may know it, what sweet con - tent, what sweet con -  
tent,  
the world may know it, the world may know it, what sweet con - tent,

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tent, what sweet con - tent, thou late - ly hast en - joy - ed, thou late - ly hast en -  
tent, what sweet con - tent, thou late - ly hast en - joy'd, thou late - ly has en -  
what sweet con - tent, thou late - ly hast en - joy - ed, what sweet con - tent thou

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joy - - - ed, She that "come dear," would say then  
joy'd, en - joy - ed. She that "Come, dear," would say, "Come, come, my dear," would  
hast en - joy - ed. She that "Come, dear," would say, then laugh and

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laugh and run a - way, and if I stay'd her thus would she then cry, "Nay, fie for shame, fie,  
say, then laugh and run a - way, and if I stay'd her cry, "Nay, fie for shame, fie, nay,  
smile and run a - way, and if I stay'd her cry, "Nay, fie for shame,

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nay, fie for shame, fie," My true love true not re - gard - - ing, hath  
 fie sweet heart, fie," My true love not re - gard - - ing, hath giv'n my  
 fie, nay, fie sweet heart, fie." My true love not re - gard - ing, not re - gard - - ing, hath giv'n my

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giv'n my love at length his full re - ward - ing, his full re - ward - -  
 love now at length his long love's full re - ward - ing, love's full re - ward - -  
 love now at length his full re - ward - ing, re - ward - - ing, his full re - - ward -

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ing, So that un - less I may tell, so that un - less  
 ing, So that un - less I may tell, so that un - less I may tell, I may  
 ing. So that un - less I may tell, so that un - less I may tell, I may tell the

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I may tell the joys that do o - ver - fill me. So that un - less I may tell,  
 tell the joys, the joys that o - ver - fill me, so that un - less I may tell, so that un - less I may  
 joys, I may tell the joys that fill me. So that un - less I may tell, so that un -

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so that un - less I may tell, I may tell the joys that o - ver - fill me, that o - ver - fill \_\_\_\_\_ me; my  
tell, so that un - less I may tell the joys, the joys that o - ver - fill \_\_\_\_\_ me, my  
less I may tell, I may tell the joys, I may tell the joys, that o - ver - fill me, my

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joys kept in I know in time will kill \_\_\_\_\_ me.  
joys kept in I know in time will kill me.  
joys kept in I know will kill \_\_\_\_\_ me.