

Loveliest of trees

Text: A. E. Housman, 1896

Music: Pierre de Corbeil, harmonized Richard Redhead, 1853

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The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of three staves of music. Above each staff are guitar chords and their corresponding fingerings. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Staff 1:

- Chords: Eb, Fm, Bb, Eb
- Lyrics: 1 Love - liest of trees, the cher - ry now,
2 Now of my three - score years and ten,
3 And since to look at things in bloom

Staff 2:

- Chords: Eb, Ab, Bbsus, Bb, Eb
- Lyrics: hung with bloom a - long the bough,
tween - ty will not come a - gain.
fif - ty springs are lit - tle room,

Staff 3:

- Chords: Ab, Fm, G
- Lyrics: it stands a - bout the wood - land ride
And take from sev'n - ty springs a score,
a - bout the wood - lands I will go,

Staff 4:

- Chords: Eb/G, Gm, Fm, Bb, Eb
- Lyrics: wear - ing white for Eas - ter - tide.
leav - ing me just fif - ty more.
see the cher - ry hung with snow.