

# El Grillo

## The Cricket

### a Madrigal

Josquin de Pres (c1440–1521)

$\text{♩} = 240$

El gril - lo. El gril-lo e buon can - tor - e che - tie-ne long-o ver -

El gril - lo. El gril-lo e buon can - tor - e che - tie-ne long-o ver -

This system contains the first two staves of the madrigal. The top staff is the vocal line, and the bottom staff is the bass line. The music is in a common time signature (C) and features a tempo marking of quarter note = 240. The lyrics are: 'El gril - lo. El gril-lo e buon can - tor - e che - tie-ne long-o ver -'.

8

- - - - so. Dal-le Be-ve Gril-lo

- - - - so. Dal-le Be-ve Gril-lo

This system contains the third and fourth staves of the madrigal. The music continues with the same tempo. The lyrics are: '- - - - so. Dal-le Be-ve Gril-lo'.

14

can-ta dal-le dal-le be-ve be-ve gril-lo gril-lo can-ta, El gril - lo, el

can-ta dal-le dal-le be-ve be-ve gril-lo gril-lo can-ta, El gril - lo, el

This system contains the fifth and sixth staves of the madrigal. The music continues with the same tempo. The lyrics are: 'can-ta dal-le dal-le be-ve be-ve gril-lo gril-lo can-ta, El gril - lo, el'.

20 Fine

gril-lo e buon can - tor - e. Ma - non fa - co - me gl'alt-ri u-cel - li com-e -  
Van' de fat - to - in alt - ro lo - co sem-pre

gril-lo e buon can - tor - e. Ma - non fa - co - me gl'alt-ri u-cel - li com-e -  
Van' de fat - to - in alt - ro lo - co sem-pre

Fine

25

li - tor can-ta - tum po - co Quan - do la mag - gior el cal-do Al  
el gril-lo sta-pur sal - do

li - tor can-ta - tum po - co Quan - do la mag - gior el cal-do Al  
el gril-lo sta-pur sal - do

31 D.C. al Fine

hor can - ta sol per a - mor - e per a - mor - e

hor can - ta sol per a - mor - e per a - mor - e

*Translation*

The cricket is a good singer  
Who sings for a long time  
The cricket sings just for fun  
The cricket is a good singer  
But unlike the birds  
who fly off when they've sung a bit,  
The cricket just stays where he is  
When the weather is really hot,  
he sings solely for love.