

O, Rose!

for SATB choir

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William Blake

The Sick Rose

O Rose, thou art sick!
The invisible worm
That flies in the night,
In the howling storm:

Has found out thy bed
Of crimson joy:
And his dark secret love
Does thy life destroy.

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Intensely ♩ = 82

Soprano *f* *mf*
O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose,

Alto *f* *mf*
O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose,

Tenor *f* *mf*
O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose,

Bass *f* *mf*
O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose,

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Piano
(rehearsal only)

9 *p* *mp* *mf* *f* *ff*
O, O Rose, O Rose, thou art sick!

p *mp* *mf* *f* *ff* *mp*
O, O Rose, O Rose, thou art sick! Rose,

p *mp* *mf* *f* *ff* *p*
O, O Rose, O Rose, thou art sick! Rose,

p *mp* *mf* *f* *ff* *p*
O, O Rose, O Rose, thou art sick! Rose,

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p legato *mf > p*

the in-vis-i - ble, the in-vis-i - ble, the in-vis-i - ble worm (mm) that, that flies, that

p legato *mf > p*

the in-vis-i - ble, the in-vis-i - ble worm (mm) that flies,

p legato *mf > p*

the in-vis-i - ble worm (mm) that flies

p legato *mf > p*

the in-vis-i - ble worm (mm) that flies that

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mf *f* *mp sub.* *p*

flies, that flies, flies in___ the night, night,___ that

pp *mf* *f* *mp sub.* *p*

that flies, that flies, flies in___ the night, night, that

mf *f* *mp sub.* *mf* *p*

that flies that flies in___ the night the worm___ that flies that

mf *f* *mp sub.* *p* *mf*

flies that flies that flies in___ the night the worm___ that flies that

41 *f* *mp* *ff*

found, found out thy bed, has found out thy bed of crim - son joy:

found out thy bed, has found out thy bed of crim - son joy:

found thy bed, has found out thy bed of crim - son joy:

found thy bed, has found thy bed, thy bed of crim - son joy:

meno mosso ♩ = 76

mp *very soft consonant

love...*

47 *P* *mp* *mf*

and his dark se-cret love love does thy life de - stroy,

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meno mosso ♩ = 76

57 *pp* love...* **poco meno mosso**

p does thy life de - stroy. *pp* *mf* *pp* O

p does thy life de - stroy. *pp* *mf* *pp* Rose, O

p does thy life de - stroy. *pp* *mf* *p espress.* Rose, O

p does thy life de - stroy. *pp* *mf* *pp* Rose, O

poco meno mosso

65 *mp* *pp* *p* *mf* *ppp*

Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose

p *pp* *mp* *ppp*

Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose

mp *p* *pp* *mp* *ppp*

Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose

mp *pp* *mp* *ppp*

Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose, O Rose