

The nightingale

Text: 16. Jh.

Musik: Thomas Weelkes (um 1575–1623),
aus Ayeres or Phantasticke Spirites for Three Voices (1608)

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the nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble lark, the black - bird,

the nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble lark, the black - bird,

nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble, nim-ble lark, the black - bird, the

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the black - bird and____ the thrush, the thrush, and all the pret - ty

the black - bird and____ the thrush, and all the pret - ty qui-ri-sters of

black - bird and____ the thrush and all the pret - ty qui - ri - sters of

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qui - ri-sters of flight that chant their mu-sic notes in ev' - ry bush, that
flight that chant their mu-sic notes in ev' - ry bush, that chant their
flight that chant their mu-sic notes in ev' - ry bush, that chant their mu-sic

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chant their mu-sic notes in ev' - ry bush. Let them no more con-tend who
mu-sic notes in ev' - - - ry bush. Let them no more con-tend who
notes in ev'-ry bush, in ev'-ry bush, in ev' - ry bush. Let them no more con-tend who

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shall ex-cel, the cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo, the cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-
shall ex-cel, the cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo, the cuck-oo, cuck-oo
shall ex-cel, the cuck-oo, the cuck-oo is the bird, the cuck-oo is the bird, the

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oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo is the bird that bears the bell. Let bell.
is the bird, cuck-oo, cuck-oo, cuck-oo is the bird that bears the bell. Let bell.
cuck-oo is the bird that bears the bell. Let bell.

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