

GREEN FINCH AND LINNET BIRD

from *Sweeney Todd*

Music and Lyrics by
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Allegretto, poco rubato (♩ = 112)

JOHANNA: *mp*

Green finch and lin-net bird,

night-in-gale, black-bird, How is it you sing?

How can you ju-bi-late, sit-ting in cag-es, Nev-er tak-ing wing?

poco rit.

Out - side the sky waits, beck - on - ing, beck - on - ing,

L.H. *mp* *poco rit.*

a tempo *poco accel. e cresc.*

Just be - yond the bars. _____ How can you re - main, star - ing

a tempo *poco accel. e cresc.*

mf *poco rit.*

at the rain, mad - dened by the stars?

mf *poco rit.*

mp *rit.*

How is it you sing _____ an - y - thing?

simile *dim.* *p* *rit.*

a tempo

How is it you sing? _____ Green finch and lin-net bird,

a tempo *mp*

night-in-gale, black-bird, How is it you sing? _____

L.H.

con poco moto

Whence comes this mel-o-dy con-stant-ly flow-ing?

simile

cresc. poco a poco

Is it re-joic-ing or mere-ly hal-lo-ing?

cresc. poco a poco

f

Are you dis - cuss - ing or fuss - ing or sim - ply

p *poco rit.* *a tempo*

dream - ing? Are you crow - ing?

p subito *poco rit.* *a tempo*

sempre p *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Are you scream - ing?

poco rit. *a tempo, sempre rubato* *mp*

mp

Ring - dove and rob - in - et, is it for wag - es, Sing - ing to be sold?

mf

mf

Have you de - cid - ed it's saf - er in cag - es,

f

Piu mosso
mp

Sing - ing when you're told? My cage has man - y rooms,

mf

ten.

dam - ask and dark. Noth - ing there sings, *not ten.* e - ven my lark.

poco rit.

Larks nev - er will, you know, when they're cap - tive. Teach me to be

poco rit.

more a - dap - tive. Ah,

poco rit. *tr*

poco rit. *dim.*

Tranquillo

Green finch and lin - net bird, night - in - gale, black - bird, Teach me how to sing

a tempo

R.H. *mp* *a tempo*

If I can - not fly, let me

poco rit.

L.H. *poco rit.* *p*

sing.

a tempo

a tempo *rit.*