

# Housman Settings

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## Loveliest of Trees

♩ = 72c. warmly

*mp*

Soprano  
Love - liest of trees, the che - rry now is hung with bloom a -

Alto  
Love - liest of trees, the che - rry now is hung with bloom a -

Tenor  
Love - liest of trees, the che - rry now is hung with bloom a -

Bass  
Love - liest of trees, the che - rry now is hung with bloom a -

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S  
long the bough, and stands a - bout the wood - land ride wear - ing white for

A  
long the bough, and stands a - bout the wood - land ride wear - ing white for

T  
long the bough, and stands a - bout the wood - land ride wear - ing white for

B  
long the bough, and stands a - bout the wood - land ride wear - ing white for

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*p*

S  
Ea - ster - tide. Now, of my three score years and ten,

A  
Ea - ster - tide. Now, of my three score years and ten,

T  
Ea - ster - tide. Now, of three score years— and

B  
Ea - ster - tide. Now, of three score years— and

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S  
twen - ty will not come a - gain, and

A  
twen - ty will not come a - gain, and

T  
ten, twen - ty will not come a - gain, and

B  
ten, twen - ty will not come a - gain, and

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*p*

S  
take from seven - ty springs a score, it on - ly leaves me fif - ty

A  
take from seven - ty springs a score, it on - ly leaves me fif - ty

T  
take from seven - ty springs a score, it on - ly leaves me fif - ty

B  
take from seven - ty springs a score, it on - ly leaves me fif - ty

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S more. And since to look at things in bloom fif - - - - ty springs are

A more. And since to look at things in bloom fif -

T more. And since to look at things in bloom fif -

B more. And since to look at things in bloom fif -

*mp* *pp*

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S lit - tle room, a - bout the wood - lands I will go to see the

A - - - ty springs are lit - - - tle room, a - bout the

T - - - ty springs are lit - - - tle room, a - bout the

B - - - ty springs are lit - - - tle room, a - bout the

*mp* *pp*

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S cher - ry hung with snow. ah, ah,

A wood - lands I will go. ah,

T wood - lands I will go.

B wood - lands I will go.

*p* *pp* *mp*

*accel.* \_\_\_\_\_

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S  
ah, ah, ah,

A  
ah, ah, ah,

T  
*pp*  
ah, ah, ah,

B  
*pp*  
ah, ah,

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S  
*cresc.* ah, *mf* *pp*

A  
*cresc.* ah, ah, *mf* *pp*

T  
*cresc.* ah, ah, *mf* *pp*

B  
*cresc.* ah, ah, ah, *mf*

*steady*

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*tempo 1°*

S  
love - - - li - est of trees, love - li - est of trees, love -

A  
*pp*  
Love - - - li - est of

T  
*pp*

B  
*pp*

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S - - li - est of trees, love - - - li - est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_

A trees, love - li - est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_ love - li - est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_

T *pp* Ah, \_\_\_\_\_ Ah, \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_

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S love - li - est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_ ah, \_\_\_\_\_ *cresc.*

A \_\_\_\_\_ ah, \_\_\_\_\_ love - - - li - est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_ *cresc.*

T \_\_\_\_\_ love - li - est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_ ah, \_\_\_\_\_ *cresc.*

B *pp* ah, \_\_\_\_\_ ah, \_\_\_\_\_ *cresc.* love - li -

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S ah, \_\_\_\_\_ love - - - li - est of trees, *mfp*

A ah, \_\_\_\_\_ love - - - li - est of trees, *mfp*

T \_\_\_\_\_ love - - - li - est of trees, *mfp*

B \_\_\_\_\_ est of trees, \_\_\_\_\_ love - - - li - est of trees. *mfp*