

NERUDA SONG NO.1 TO SORROW

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Andante ♩ = 60 *p*

Voice

Sor - - - - row, I need your black wing.

Cello

pp *p* *pp*

5

Voice

So much sun, so much ho - ney in the to - - - - paz,

Cello

p *pp* *p*

8

Voice

each ray smi - - - - ling, and all is a - bun - dant light a - - bout me,

Cello

pp *p*

12

Voice

all a whir - ring bee in the high air.

Cello

pp

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Moderato ♩ = 80

15 *mp*

Voice

And so give me your black wing sis-ter sor-row.

Cello

19 *mp*

Voice

I need some- - - times the sap-phire to be ex- - tin- - -guished

Cello

23 *mp*

Voice

and the o- - -blique mesh of the rain to fall,

Cello

mp

27 *p* *mp*

Voice

the weep- - - - -ing of the earth. I long

Cello

p *mp*

31 *mf*

Voice

for that bat-tered hulk in the es-tu--a-ry,

Cello

mf

34 *p* *p*

Voice: the great house in the darkness, and my mother searching for par---a-fin

Cello: *pp* *p*

37 *p*

Voice: and fill-----ing the lamp till it gave out not

Cello:

40

Voice: light but a sigh.

Cello:

43 *pp*

Voice: Night did not come to birth, Now I am mis---sing the black

Cello: *pp*

46 *Allegro* ♩ = 90 *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Voice: light. Give me your slow blood,

Cello: *mp* *mp* *mf* *mp*

accel. -----