

# Cello Go Bolero

*for cello & piano*

Pedro el Alfarero

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2

With vigour

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*f*

7

12

*mf*

*p*

17

*f*

*p*

23

*ff*

*p cresc.*

*f*

*p*

*cresc.*

29

*f* *p* pizz.

34

arco *f* *p* v

39

*f*

44

*f*

50

*mp* *pp* *fff*

## Three Latin Dances

### About Cello Go Bolero

This piece was originally written as part of a set of cheerful works for my intermediate cello students. Much of the repertoire between Grades 3 and 5 can feel a little grey, so I wanted to add something more colourful.

Bolero is especially useful for introducing the tenor clef, with its repeated notes and stepwise movement. Though it touches Grade 5 material, I often teach it to Grade 4 students to bring in tenor clef earlier.

The three pieces in the set are designed to be fun to play and engaging to listen to. I recommend this order of study:

1. Pass the Salsa
2. Cello Go Bolero
3. Tangissimo

### Pedro el Alfarero

Pedro el Alfarero is one of my many imaginary friends. He came up with the idea for *Three Latin Dances*. He is the unknown Spanish cousin of the equally unsuccessful **Peter Pottter**, who once had a piece famously performed at Manchester's Bridgewater Hall *before it was completed*.

His suite, *Four Bedtime Stories*, was originally performed in only three movements. The fourth has never been heard, due to the remarkable success of the first three: audiences are invariably asleep before the third movement ends.

— Gregory Pullen, 2011

### Note to the Teacher

Pedro would like you to share these lyrics with your students — they might help with rhythm and phrasing in *Bolero*:

Can we go to the zoo on Sunday  
Go to the zoo on Sunday  
Go to the zoo and see our Gran,  
Where she lives in a cage with monkeys  
in a cage with monkeys  
Lives in a cage with Uncle Stan.

They swing through the trees  
With the greatest of ease,  
And eat ripe bananas  
And bunches of  
Leaves which they finds quite tasty  
Leaves which they finds quite tasty  
Leaves which they finds quite tasty  
Yum!  
(etc.)

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*cello solo*

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With vigour

3

*f*

8

*mf*

14

*p*

21

*f* *p* *ff*

25

*p* *cresc.*

29

*f* *p* *pizz.*

34

*arco*

40

*f*

45

50

*mp* *pp* *fff*