

Midnight Sun

Standard Key for Viola

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Ballad [June Christy 1954] ($\text{♩} = 74$)

A1

Your lips were like a red and ru-by chalice, warmer than the sum-mer night.

The clouds were like an al-a-baster palace rising to a snow-y height.

Each star its own au - ro - ra bo-re - a - lis, sudden - ly you

held me tight, I could see the midnight sun.

A2

I can't explain the sil-ver rain that found me, or was that a moon - lit vale?

The music of the un-i-verse a-round me, or was that a night-in-gale?

And then your arms mi - rac - u-lous-ly found me, sudden - ly the

sky turned pale, I could see the midnight sun.

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B

29 **E_{MA}7** **E_{MI}7** **A⁷** **D_{MA}7** **E_{MI}7** **E_b7**

Was there such a night? It's a thrill I still don't quite believe, _____ But

33 **D_{MA}7** **D_{MI}7** **G⁷** **E_{MI}7** **E_b7** **D_{MI}7** **D_b7**

after you were gone, there was still some stardust on my sleeve. _____ The

A3

37 **C_{MA}7** **C⁶** **C_{MA}7** **C_{MI}7** **F^{9(#11)}** **F^{9(#11)}** **(B⁷)**

flame of it may dwindle to an ember, and the stars forget to shine. _____ And

41 **B_bMA⁷** **B_b⁶** **B_bMA⁷** **B_bMI⁷** **E_b9(#11)**

we may see the meadow in December, icy white and crystal-line. _____

44 **E_b9(#11)** **(A⁷)** **A_bMA⁷** **A_b⁶** **A_bMA⁷**

But oh my darling always I'll remember when your lips were

47 **A_bMI⁷** **D_b9(#11)** **D_b9(#11)** **C_{MA}7** **(D_{MI}7** **G⁷**)

close to mine, _____ And we saw the midnight sun. _____