

Dandansoy

Arr. Jude B. Roldan

SA, piano



Arranger's note

This arrangement presents a Hiligaynon folksong with a tender, reflective character, shaped to communicate the song's parting message with warmth and sensitivity. The melodic line is clearly supported throughout by the piano and vocal writing, including underlay textures, countermelodies, and a descant, giving the piece colour while keeping the main message intact.

Musically, the writing features lyrical phrasing and frequent melody transfer between voice parts and piano, creating variety and interest across the ensemble. As the piece progresses, the harmonic language gradually deepens with denser sonorities and modulations, offering singers a satisfying sense of development without feeling abrupt.

While approachable, the arrangement includes meaningful challenges: long phrases, mild passing dissonances, an octave leap in the melody, and the need to balance parts so the melody remains clear amid supporting lines. Pedagogically, the text and textures make it especially useful for building vowel unification, text phrasing, vocal focus, and blend. The inclusion of "oohs" and "ahs" in the introduction and interlude provides a practical way to reinforce resonance and ensemble tuning. A very long final note also supports teaching breath control and staggered breathing.

In performance, choristers should apply clear dynamic shaping and stay anchored to the meaning of the text, delivering the message with controlled, expressive singing.

Range: C4–G5

Difficulty: Medium

Hiligaynon (Ilonggo) lyrics	English Translation
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Dandansoy, bayaan ta ikaw.	Dandansoy, I'll leave you.
Pauli ako sa Payaw.	I'm going back home to Payaw.
Ugaling kung ikaw hidlawon,	If you'll miss me,
ang Payaw imo lang lantawon	just look at (think of) Payaw

Dandansoy

for SA chorus and piano

Arranged by Jude B. Roldan

Soprano

Alto

Piano

mp

Loo

oooh

Loo

oooh

5

S

A

Pno

Dan - dan -



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2 9

S

soy, ba - ya - an ta i - kaw. Pa - u -

A

Pno

13

S

li a - ko sa pa - yaw. U - ga -

A

Pno

17

S

ling kung i - kaw hid - la - won, ang pa -

A

Pno

21 3

S yaw i - mo lang lan - ta - won.

A

Pno

25

S soy, ba - ya - an ta i -

A Dan - dan - soy,

Pno

29

S kaw. Pa - u - li a - ko sa pa -

A ba - ya - an ta i - kaw Dan - dan -

Pno

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45 5

S

A

Pno

ooh

ooh

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S

A

Pno

ah

ah

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S

A

Pno

ah

ah

PREVIEW

6 57

S Dan - dan - soy, ba - ya -

A Dan-dan - soy, ba-ya - an ta i -

Pno

f

tr

61

S an ta i - kaw. Ma - pa - u - li a -

A kaw. Pa - u - li a - ko sa pa -

Pno

65

S ko sa pa - yaw U - ga - ling kung i -

A yaw. U - ga - ling kung i - kaw hid-la -

Pno

69 7

S kaw hid-la - won, ang pa - yaw lan - ta-

A won, ang pa - yaw i-mo lang lan-ta-

Pno

73

S won. Dan-dan - soy!

A won. Dan - dan -

Pno

mp *p*

77 **molto rit.**

S

A soy!

Pno

molto rit. *8va* *tr* *pp*