



## At trepida et cœptis immanibus effera Dido

Aeneid IV, 642 - 654

Virgil

① 2 3 4

Superius

Jacob Arcadelt

at tre - pi - da et coep - tis im - ma - ni-bus ef -  
13 fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis -  
23 que tre - men - tis in - ter - fu - - sa ge - nas et  
33 pal - li - da mor - - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri -  
44 o - ra do - mus in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen -  
55 dit fu - ri - bun-da ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni -  
66 um, non hos quae - si-tum mu - nus in u - sus.  
77 hic, post - quam I - li - a-cas ve - stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con -  
88 spe - xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis et men - te mo - ra - ta  
100 in - cu - bu - it - que to - ro di - xit - que no - vis - si - ma

110

ver - - ba: dul - ces ex - u - vi - æ,

122

dum fa - ta de - us - que si - ne - bat, ac -

133

ci - pi - te hanc a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi -

145

te cu - ris. Vi - xi et quem de - de - rat cur - sum For -

158

tu - na pe - re - gi, et nunc ma - gna me - i sub ter-ras

171

i - bit i - - ma - - go.

Translation:

But Dido restless, wild with desperate purpose,  
rolling her bloodshot eyes, her trembling cheeks  
stained with red flushes, yet pallid at approaching death,  
rushed into the house through its inner threshold, furiously  
climbed the tall funeral pyre, and unsheathed  
a Trojan sword, a gift that was never acquired to this end.  
Then as she saw the Ilian clothing

and the familiar couch,  
she lingered a while, in tears and thought, then cast herself on the bed, and spoke her last words:  
Reminders, sweet while fate and the god allowed it,  
accept this soul, and loose me from my sorrows.  
I have lived, and I have completed the course that Fortune granted, and now my noble spirit will pass beneath the earth.



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1 ② 3 4

Contratenor

Jacob Arcadelt

The musical score consists of eight staves of music for the Contratenor part. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are taken from Virgil's Aeneid IV, 642 - 654, and are written below each staff. The lyrics are:

at tre - pi - da et coept - tis im - ma - ni - bus ef -  
fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis - que tre -  
men tis in - ter - fu - sa ge - - nas et pal - li -  
da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri - o - ra do-mus  
in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen - dit fu - ri -  
bun - da ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni - um,  
non hos quae - si - tum mu - nus in u - sus. hic,  
post - quam I - li - a - cas ve - stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con - spe -  
xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis et men - te mo - ra - ta

100

in - cu - bu - it-que to - ro di - xit - que no - vis - si - ma

111

ver - ba: dul - ces ex - u - vi - æ, dum fa -

124

ta de - us - que si - ne bat, ac - ci - pi - te

136

hanc a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi - te cu - ris.

149

Vi - xi et quem de - de - rat cur-sum For - tu - na pe - re -

161

gi, et nunc ma - gna me - i sub ter-ras i -

173

bit i - ma - go, sub ter-ras i - bit i - ma - go.

Translation:

But Dido restless, wild with desperate purpose,  
rolling her bloodshot eyes, her trembling cheeks  
stained with red flushes, yet pallid at approaching death,  
rushed into the house through its inner threshold, furiously climbed the tall funeral pyre, and unsheathed a Trojan sword, a gift that was never acquired to this end.  
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Virgil

1 2 ③ 4

Tenor

Jacob Arcadelt

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fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis -  
que tre - men - tis in - ter - fu - sa ge - - nas et  
pal - li - da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri -  
o - ra do - mus in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen -  
dit fu - ri - bun-da ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni -  
um, non hos quae - si-tum mu - nus in u - - sus.  
hic, post - quam I - li - a-cas ve - stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con -  
spe - xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis et men - te mo - ra - ta  
in - cu - bu - it - que to - ro di - xit - que no - vis - si - ma

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Virgil

1 2 3 (4)

Bassus

Jacob Arcadelt

13

at tre - pi - da et coep - tis im - ma - ni-bus ef -  
fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis -  
que tre - men - tis in - ter - fu - sa ge - nas et  
pal - li - da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri -  
o - ra do - mus in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen -  
dit fu - ri - bun-da ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni -  
um, non hos quae - si-tum mu - nus in u - sus. hic,  
post - quam I - li - a-cas ve - stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con - spe - xit,  
pau - lum la - cri - mis et men - te mo - ra - ta in -  
cu - bu - it-que to - ro di - xit - que no - vis si - ma

112

ver - ba: dul - ces ex - u - vi - æ, dum fa - ta

125

de - us - que si - ne - bat, ac - ci - pi - te hanc

137

a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi - te cu - ris.

149

Vi - xi et quem de - de - rat cur - sum For - tu - na pe - re -

161

gi, et nunc ma - gna me - i sub ter-ras i - bit

173

i - ma - go, i - bit i - ma - go.

Translation:

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Superius  
Contratenor  
Tenor  
Bassus

13

fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis - que tre -

fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis - que tre -

fe - ra Di - do san-gui - ne-am vol-vens a - ci - em, ma - cu - lis - que tre -

24

men - tis in - ter - fu - - sa ge - nas et pal - li -

men - - tis in - ter - fu - - sa ge - - nas et pal - li -

men - - tis in - ter - fu - - sa ge - - nas et pal - li -

35

da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri - o - ra do -  
da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri - o - ra do-mus  
da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri - o - ra do -  
da mor - te fu - tu - ra, in - te - ri - o - ra do -

46

mus in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen - dit fu - ri - bun-da  
in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen - dit fu - ri - bun-da  
mus in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen - dit fu - ri - bun-da  
mus in - rum - pit li - mi - na et al - tos con - scen - dit fu - ri - bun-da

58

ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni - um, non hos quae - si-tum  
ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni - um, non hos quae - si-tum  
ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni - um, non hos quae - si-tum  
ro - gos en - sem - que re - clu - dit Dar - da - ni - um, non hos quae - si-tum

70

mu - nus in u - sus. hic, post - quam I - li - a-cas ve -

mu - nus in u - sus. hic, post - quam I - li - a-cas ve -

<sup>8</sup> mu - nus in u - sus. hic, post - quam I - li - a-cas ve -

mu - nus in u - sus. hic, post - quam I - li - a-cas ve -

83

stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con - spe - xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis

stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con - spe - xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis

<sup>8</sup> stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con - spe - xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis

stis no - tum - que cu - bi - le con - spe - xit, pau - lum la - cri - mis

95

et men - te mo - ra - ta in - cu - bu - it-que to - ro di - xit -

et men - te mo - ra - ta in - cu - bu - it-que to - ro di - xit -

<sup>8</sup> et men - te mo - ra - ta in - cu - bu - it-que to - ro di - xit -

et men - te mo - ra - ta in - cu - bu - it-que to - ro di - xit -

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que no - vis - si - ma      ver - - - ba: dul - - - ces ex -

que no - vis - si - ma      ver - - - ba: dul - - - ces ex -

<sup>8</sup> que      no - vis - si - ma      ver - - - ba: dul - - - ces ex -

que no - vis - - - si - ma      ver - ba: dul - - - ces ex -

119

u - vi - æ, dum fa - ta de - us - que si - ne - bat,

u - vi - æ, dum fa - ta de - us - que si - ne - bat,

<sup>8</sup> u - vi - æ, dum fa - ta de - us - que si - ne - bat,

u - vi - æ, dum fa - ta de - us - que si - ne - bat,

132

ac - ci - pi - te hanc a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi -

ac - ci - pi - te hanc a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi -

<sup>8</sup> ac - ci - pi - te hanc a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi -

ac - ci - pi - te hanc a - ni-mam, me - que his ex - sol - vi -

145

te cu - ris. Vi - xi et quem de - de - rat cur - sum For -

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tu - na pe - re - gi, et nunc ma - gna me - i sub ter - ras

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tu - na pe - re - gi, et nunc ma - gna me - i sub ter - ras

i - bit i - ma - go.

i - - - bit i - ma - go, sub terras i - bit i - ma - go.

ter - ras i - bit i - ma - go, i - - - bit i - ma - go.

i - bit i - ma - go.