

# Can You Feel the Love Tonight

Music by Elton John  
Lyrics by Tim Rice

Signed by Disney to write the lyrics for this 1994 animated film and invited to suggest anyone in the world to write the music, Tim Rice selected Elton John. Strongly influenced by Shakespeare's play *Hamlet* and set in the Pride Lands of the Serengeti, the movie tells the story of the relationship between a lion cub and his father.

**Hints & Tips:** Most of the rhythms and fingering in this piece are straightforward, so take the opportunity to be expressive in your performance—think about phrasing (where to breathe) and dynamics. Listen carefully to the thirds in the right hand of the chorus to ensure the two notes are sounding at exactly the same time.

Gently (♩ = 74)

There's a calm sur - ren - der to the rush of day,

*mf*

This system contains the first two measures of the piece. The right hand features a melody of eighth notes, and the left hand provides a simple bass line of quarter notes. The tempo is marked 'Gently' with a quarter note equal to 74 beats per minute.

when the heat of the roll - ing wind, can be turned a - way. An en - chant - ed mo - ment,

This system contains measures 3 through 5. The melody continues with eighth notes, and the bass line remains simple. The lyrics are: 'when the heat of the roll - ing wind, can be turned a - way. An en - chant - ed mo - ment,'

and it sees me through. It's e - nough for this rest - less war - rior

This system contains measures 6 through 8. The melody continues with eighth notes, and the bass line remains simple. The lyrics are: 'and it sees me through. It's e - nough for this rest - less war - rior'

just to be with you. And can you feel the love to - night?

This system contains measures 9 through 11. The melody continues with eighth notes, and the bass line remains simple. The lyrics are: 'just to be with you. And can you feel the love to - night?'

It is where we are. It's e - nough for this

wide eyed wan - der - er, that we got this far.

And can you feel the love to - night?

How it's laid to rest? It's e - nough to make

kings and vag - a - bonds - be - lieve the ver - y best.