

The Nearness Of You

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Freely (♩ = c. 56) ♩. ♩ = ♩.♩.♩.

N.C. Cmaj⁹ Gm⁷ C⁹

It's not the pale moon that ex - cites me,

Fmaj⁹ (1 3 2 2 1) Em A⁷b⁹

that thrills and de - lights me; oh no,

Dm⁷ G⁷b⁹ Em⁷ A⁷b⁹ Dm⁷ (7 add¹¹) G⁷b⁹

it's just the near - ness of you.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time. The vocal line is on a single staff, and the piano accompaniment is on two staves (treble and bass clef). Chord diagrams for guitar are provided above the vocal line. The score is divided into three systems. The first system covers the first two lines of the song. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the final two lines. The piano accompaniment includes triplets and various chord voicings. The guitar chord diagrams are: N.C. (No Chords), Cmaj⁹ (x00000), Gm⁷ (3fr, 020333), C⁹ (x00000), Fmaj⁹ (111111), (1 3 2 2 1) (1 3 2 2 1), Em (022000), A⁷b⁹ (x02010), Dm⁷ (x02000), G⁷b⁹ (x02010), Em⁷ (022000), A⁷b⁹ (x02010), Dm⁷ (x02000), (7 add¹¹) (000000), and G⁷b⁹ (x02010).

C C6 Gm7 C9 Fadd9

It is - n't your_ sweet_ con - ver - sa - tion that brings this_ sen -

Fdim Em7 A7b9 Dm7 G7(b9)

- sa - tion; oh no, it's just the near - ness_ of

B/C C6 G7b9

you. When you're in my arms

G7#9 Cmaj9

and I feel you_ so close_ to me, -



all my _____ wild



- est dreams came true.



I need no soft lights to en - chant me,



if you _____ will on - ly grant me

Em⁷ A⁷ Dm⁷ G⁷

the right _____ to hold you ev - er

Em⁷ A⁷_{b9}

so tight, _____ and to feel _____ in the

Dm⁷ C/E F F[#]dim G⁹sus⁴ G¹³ B/C C⁶

night _____ the near - ness of you _____

B/C C⁶ B/C C⁶ B/C C⁶