



Hermoso es el Planeta

poem by Pablo Neruda

music by Peter Billam

for Choir (SAA or TBarB)

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Suave

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her - mo - so es el pla - ne - ta lleno de pi - pas por la mano condu - cidas en el

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hu - mo , de llaves, de sa - leros , en fin to - do lo que se

hu - mo , de llaves, sa - leros , en fin to - do lo que se

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hi - zo por la mano del hom - bre to - da co - sa to - da

hi - zo por la mano del hom - bre to - da cosa to - da

hi - zo por la ma - no del hom - bre to - da co - sa to - da

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co - sa las curvas del za - pa - to el te - ji - do el nuevo nacimi -

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- ento del o - ro sin la san - gre los ante - o - jos los claves las es -
 - ento del o - ro sin la san - gre los ante - o - jos los claves las es -
 - en - to del o - ro sin la san - gre los ante - o - jos los claves las es -

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- co - bas las re - lo - jes , las brújulas , las mo - ne - das , la suave suavi -
 - co - bas las re - lo - jes , las brújulas , las mo - ne - das , la suave suavi -
 - co - bas las re - lo - jes las brújulas , las mo - ne - das la suave suavi -

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- dad de las sil - las , to - do lo que se hi - zo por la mano del
 - dad de las sil - las , to - do lo que se hi - zo por la mano del
 - dad de las sil - las to - do lo que se hi - zo por la ma - no del

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hom - bre toda cosa toda co - sa to - da co - sa
 hombre to - da cosa to - da cosa to - da co - sa
 hombre toda co - sa toda co - sa to - da co - sa

2 m 30 s

Peter Billam was born in London in 1948, studied piano, and lived in Switzerland from 1973 to 1983, where he studied composition, classical guitar, flute and voice, worked as Musical Director of the *Théâtre Populaire Romand*, and as recording engineer, record producer and computer programmer. He moved to Tasmania in 1983, lectured in composition at the Conservatorium, conducted recorder ensembles and choirs, studied recorder, voice and harpsichord. He founded **www.pjb.com.au**, becoming the first composer to sell scores on-line, with on-line delivery, taking scores from Composer to Performer in one immediate step. *Www.pjb.com.au* offers a new approach to music publishing. These pieces are **written to be read, made to be played !**

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