

Dedicated to the memory of Ada Malherbe

SONNET 18

Lyrics: William Shakespeare (1564–1616)

Music: Franco Prinsloo

Like a madrigal ♩ = 62

p molto *espress.*

S
Shall I com-pare thee to a sum-mer's day? Thou art more love-ly and more tem-perate: Rough

A
Shall I com-pare thee to a sum-mer's day? Thou art more love-ly and more tem-perate: Rough

T
Shall I com-pare thee to a sum-mer's day? Thou art more love-ly and more tem-perate: Rough

B
Shall I com-pare thee to a sum-mer's day? Thou art more love-ly and more tem-perate: Rough

5
winds do shake the dar-ling buds of May, and sum-mer's lease hath all too short a date;

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winds do shake the buds of May, and sum-mer's lease hath all too short a date;

9
Some-time too hot the eye of hea-ven shines, and of-ten is his gold com-plex-ion dimm'd; And

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Some-time too hot the eye of hea-ven shines, and of-ten is his gold com-plex-ion dimm'd; And



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e - very fair from fair some-time de - clines by chan na - chang-ing course un -

e - very fair from fair some-time de - clines by na - 's chang - ing -

8 e - very fair from fair some-time de - clines, some-time de-clines by na - chang-ing course un -

e - very fair from fair some-time de - clines by na - ture's chang-ing course un -

16

trimm'd; But the e - ter - nal sum - mer shall not fade,

chang - ing course un-trimm'd; But thy e - ter - nal sum - mer shall not fade,

8 trimm'd; thy e - ter - nal sum - mer shall not fade, nor *espress.*

trimm'd; But e - ter - nal sum - mer shall not fade, nor

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lose pos - ses - sion of that fair thou ow'st; Nor shall Death brag thou

nor lose pos - ses - sion of that fair thou ow'st; Nor shall Death brag thou

8 lose pos - ses - sion of that fair thou ow'st; Nor shall Death brag thou

lose pos - ses - sion of that fair thou ow'st; Nor shall Death brag thou

22

wan-der'st in his shade, when in e - ter - nal lines to time thou grow'st. So

wan-der'st in his shade, when in e - ter - nal lines to time thou grow'st. So

wan-der'st in his shade, when in e - ter - nal lines to time thou grow'st. So

wan-der'st in his shade, when in e - ter - nal lines to time thou grow'st. So

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long as men can breathe eyes can see, So long lives this, and

long as men, as long as men can breathe eyes can see, So long lives this,

long as men can breathe eyes can see, So long lives this,

long as men can breathe eyes can see, So long lives this,

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S1 this gives life to thee.

S2 this gives life to thee. Shall I com-pare thee to a sum-mer's day?

A this gives life to; Shall I com -

T this gives life to; Shall I com -

B this gives life to; Shall I com -



34 *p*

Shall I com - pare thee to a sum - mer's

p

Shall I com - pare thee to a sum - mer's day? A -

pare thee to a sum - mer's

pare thee to a sum - mer's

pare thee to a sum - mer's

38 *rit.* *pp*

day. Ooh.

day. Ooh, ooh.

day. Ooh, ooh.

Ooh, day. Ooh, ooh, ooh.

day. Ooh, ooh, ooh.

