

Fairest Isle

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Smoothly, without dragging

mf

1. Fair - est Isle, all Isles _____ ex - cel - ling,
2. Gen - tle mur - murs, sweet _____ com - plain - ing,

mf

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Seat _____ of plea - sures and _____ of loves,
Sighs _____ that blow _____ the fire _____ of love,

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Ve - nus here will choose _____ her dwell - ing,
Soft re - pul - ses, kind _____ dis - dain - ing,

p

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And _____ for - sake _____ her Cy - prian groves.
Shall _____ be all _____ the pains _____ you prove.

17 *cresc.*

Cu - pid from his fav - 'rite na - tion,
Ev' - ry swain shall pay his du - ty,

cresc.

21 *mf*

Care and en - vy will re - move,
Grate - ful ev' - ry nymph shall prove,

mf

25 *f*

Jea - lous - y these that poi - sons pas - sion,
And as these ex - cel in beau - ty

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And des - pair that dies for love.
Those shall be re - nown'd for love.