

# Nichka ta yasnaya

The night is clear

Traditional Ukrainian  
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With joy ♩ = c.104

The musical score is written for piano in 4/4 time, with a tempo of approximately 104 beats per minute. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats). The score is divided into four systems, each with a first and second staff. Chords are indicated above the first staff, and dynamics are marked below the first staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a fermata on the final note.

System 1: Chords: Dm, Gm, A, Dm, C, F. Dynamics: *mf*.

System 2: Chords: Gm, F, Em<sup>7(b5)</sup>, A, Dm, A, Dm. Dynamics: *mf*.

System 3: Chords: Dm, Gm, C, F, A<sup>7</sup>. Dynamics: *f*.

System 4: Chords: Dm, Gm, Dm, A<sup>7</sup>, Dm. Dynamics: *f*.

This traditional Ukrainian carol tells of the shepherds' joy at the birth of Christ, and their journey to Bethlehem to give thanks and praise.

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