

Orchestra Excerpts for NZSSSO 2026 – French Horn

In addition to your short solo piece, please play the following orchestral excerpts (between the red brackets). All excerpts are for Horn in F.

Please introduce each item before playing.

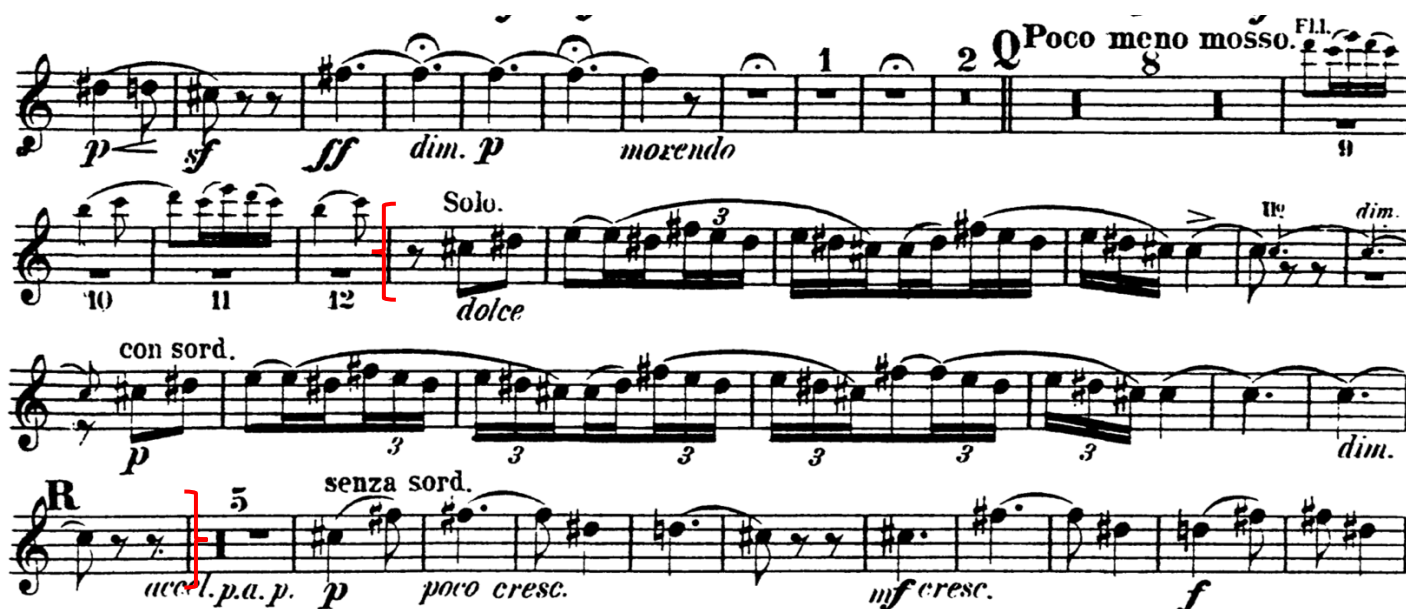
We suggest you listen to recordings to determine a suitable tempo for each excerpt and look at the score – available on the audition page – for context

French Horn

Rimsky-Korsakov - Scheherazade

Excerpt 1 – Movement 2, 12 bars after Q to R.

Time signature is 3/8.



Excerpt 2 – Movement 3, lead in to N to O.



Excerpt 3 – Movement 4, 22 bars after N to O.

17 Tromba I. *N* *f* *sf* *p* *poco marcato* *Solo.* *p* *Solo.*

French Horn

Gershwin – Rhapsody in Blue

Excerpt 4 – Bars 11-40. (This is a slightly different arrangement to the Grofé one that we will be playing; you can listen to it [here](#)

Molto moderato

1 2 3 4 5 6

mf

11 Più mosso

7 8 9 10 11 12

16

poco rit.

mp

21 Moderato assai Più mosso

13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

ff

Tempo giusto

23 24 25 26 27 28 29

mf *ff*

30 *p* *Opt. tacet* **34** *f marcato*

31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38

cresc.

40

39 40 41 42 43