



Tumbalalaika

טומבאלאליקא
a Yiddish love song



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5 4

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Shteyt a Tracht un shteyt— un tracht, Tracht un
Hear my tale of a cer-tain young man Stayed up all

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1 2 3 5 3

Tracht un gan - tze nacht. Ve - men tsu ne - men
night til he thought of a plan. He want - ed a girl, who'd

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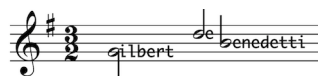
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un nit far she - men, ve - men tsu ne - men un nit far she - men.
be his de - light, a girl who was pret - ty, wit - ty and bright.

2 3 4 2 1 2 3

שטייט אַ בחור און ער טראַכט,
(אז: שטייט אַ בחור, שטייט און טראַכט)
טראַכט און טראַכט אַ גאַנצע נאַכט:
וועמען צו נעמען און ניט פֿאַרשעמען,
וועמען צו נעמען און ניט פֿאַרשעמען?

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Tum - ba - la, tum - ba - la, tum - ba - la - lai - ka,

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Tum - ba - la, tum - ba - la, tum - ba - la - lai - ka,

25 *2nd time only*

Tum - ba - la - lai - ka, shpiel ba - la - lai - ka. Tum - ba - la -

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lai - ka, frey - lach zol zayn. zayn.