

Tempo Markings

How fast does it go? — BPM = beats per minute

- Larghissimo — VERY very slow (under 24 BPM)
- Largo — very slow (40–60)
- Adagio — slow and stately (66–76)
- Andante — walking pace (76–108)
- Moderato — moderate (108–120)
- Allegretto — moderately fast (112–120)
- Allegro — fast and lively (120–168)
- Vivace — very fast and lively (168–176)
- Presto — very fast (168–200)
- Prestissimo — as fast as possible (200+)
- Ritardando (rit.) — gradually getting slower
- Accelerando (accel.) — gradually getting faster
- A tempo — return to the original speed

