

“ROMANCE”
In G Major, Op.40

Ludwig Van BEETHOVEN

*Originally for violin and orchestra (piano) –
version for cello and piano by
Friedrich W. Grützmacher*

SOLO CELLO

Grützmacher was not only a famed nineteenth century cellist, but perhaps also as the foremost German cello professor. He is hardly known today as a composer, though it was an important activity for him. He also possessed a fine reputation as an arranger; for example, the versions we know today of pieces by Schumann for cello and piano (excepting the 5 Folk Style Pieces) were all his own work and were enthusiastically authorized by the Schumann household (meaning the 'Fantasy Pieces', the Adagio and allegro, the 'Scenes of Childhood', and the 3 Romances, all for cello and piano). For more about his successful career please read the article "*Understanding Grutzmacher*" available for free download on [johnstone-music](http://www.johnstone-music.com/articulos_violoncello/violoncello/6011/vlc10-article-understanding-grutzmacher): (http://www.johnstone-music.com/articulos_violoncello/violoncello/6011/vlc10-article-understanding-grutzmacher)

Grützmacher arranged both Beethoven Romances for cello, though I have only come across the G Major Romance, Op.40, to date. I understand that Grützmacher played them with orchestra, though I have no concert programmes to support that claim. It is also highly likely that he taught the pieces in his classes too.

It seemed a good idea to renew these pieces in cello repertoire. Apart from adding this G Major work on the web site, I have also made a new version – based on the Grützmacher – for an ensemble of six cellos, or for cello orchestra. In both cases the solo cello part has not changed from that laid out most excellently by Grützmacher. All are offered as FREE downloads ...

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Romance No.1 in G Major

(for Cello and Orchestra)

Cello

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Op. 40

Andante.

p dolce *mf* *sfz* *p* *dimin.*

Pfte. *p dolce*

gliss. *mf marc.* *cresc.* *f* *con espress.*

1^a dimin. *p*

espress. *p*

pp *f* *dimin. e poco rall.* *p dolce*

mf *dimin.*

p *sfz* *p*

Cello

Pfte.
f con energia

mf

cresc. *f energ.*

sempre f *mf*

p *sfz.* *sfz.* *f* *a tempo.*

dimin. *e rallent.* *p dolce*

sfz. *même position....*

molto espress.

p dolce *mf* *p*

mf *p* *cresc.* *f* *p* *gliss.*

mit Orchester

dolce *1^a* *tranquill.* *dimin.* *e rallent.* *3^a* *pp*