

Flower of Passion ~ Thorn of Despair

text synopses

Quant La Douce Jouvencelle

Anon from Oxford Can. Misc. 213 (~1420)

If the gentle maiden...
Desires only to make me happy
Should I not grant her wish?

Pour l'Amour De Ma Douce Amye

Guillaume Dufay (1400-1474)

For the love of my sweet Love
I would like to sing this rondelet

Pour Prison

Gilles Binchois (1400-1460)

Not prison, nor illness, nor anything one can tell me
Can make my heart forget you...

N'auray-je Jamais Mieux

Robert Morton (~1430-1476)

Will I never have better than I have?
Am I to remain where I am,
my love and all my pleasure?

Dona Gentile (lute)

Guillaume Dufay (1400-1474)

Va T'ent Souspir

Estienne Grossin (~1420)

Go, sigh, I beg you, quickly to my Lady;
And tell her sweetly of my malady.

Ich Will Zu Land Ausreiten

Johannes Stahl (~1450)

I want to ride out into the land...
In thirty-two years, Frau Uten have I not seen.

Seule Esgaree

Gilles Binchois (1400-1460)

Alone, abandoned by all joyous pleasure
Pain is that in which I shall languish...

Soyes Loyal

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Remain loyal as well as you are able.
You will soon receive comfort from Sweet Hope.

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Entre Vous Nouveaux Maries

Johannes le Grant (fl. 1420)

Among you newlyweds...do not fall asleep!

Adieu Ces Bons Vins De Lannoys

Guillaume Dufay

Farewell those good wines of the Lannoys...

Le Souvenir De Vous Me Tue

Robert Morton

The memory of you kills me,
My one treasure, when I cannot see you.

Vit Encore

Jacques Vide (1404-1433)

Is he living still, this false Danger,
who so much discomfits us?

Dueil Angoisseux

text: Christine de Pisan / music: Gilles Binchois

Anguished grief, rage beyond measure...
Princes, pray to God, who owes me death soon.

Se La Face Ay Pale

Guillaume Dufay

If the face is pale, the cause is love...

