

# HAPPINESS IS A THING CALLED JOE

As recorded by WOODY HERMAN

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♩ = 75 SWING

The score is arranged for a swing band and includes the following parts:

- Vocal:** Lyrics: "It seems like Hap-pi-ness is Just a Thing Called Joe, He's got a smile that makes the li-lacs".
- ALTO 1:** Features a "LEAD" section and an "ALTO 2 CUE".
- TRUMPET 1-4:** Each part includes a "SOUP NOTE" instruction.
- TRUMPONE 1-4:** Each part includes a "SOUP NOTE" instruction.
- GIUITAR:** Provides harmonic support with a series of chords: GΔ7, AΔ7, BΔ7, Bb+7, A7, Ab7, G6, AΔ7, BΔ7, D7/A, GΔ7, AΔ7, G6/B.
- PIANO:** Features a "SOLO" section and provides harmonic support with chords: GΔ7, AΔ7, BΔ7, Bb+7, A7, Ab7, G6, AΔ7, EΔ7, D7/A, GΔ7, AΔ7, G6/B.
- BASS:** Provides a steady bass line.
- DRUMS:** Includes a "BOUGHES" section and a "SWISH" section.

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**Vocal**  
wan-na grow. He's got a way that makes the an-gels heave a sigh when they see lit-tle Joe's pas-sin'

**Alto 1** (LEAD) **ALTO 2 CUE**  
**Alto 2** NO LEAD **LEAD**

**Trumpet 1-4**  
**Trombone 1-4**

**Guitar**  
D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>7</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>7</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>7</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> D<sub>7</sub> D<sup>o</sup> A<sub>7</sub>/D D<sub>7</sub> D<sup>o</sup>/A D<sub>9</sub> A<sub>7</sub>/D G<sup>6</sup> G<sup>6</sup><sub>9</sub>

**Piano**  
D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>7</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>7</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>7</sub>/A D<sub>7</sub> D<sup>o</sup> A<sub>7</sub>/D D<sub>7</sub> D<sup>o</sup>/A D<sub>9</sub> A<sub>7</sub>/D G<sup>6</sup> G<sup>6</sup><sub>9</sub>

**Bass**  
**Drums** (4)

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

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by Some-times the ca - bin's gloom-y and the tab-le's bare, But when he kiss-es me it's Christ-mas ev'-ry -

(LEAD)  
No LEAD

17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>b9</sub> D<sub>9</sub> G<sub>Δ7</sub> A<sub>Δ7</sub> B<sub>Δ7</sub> B<sub>b7</sub>A<sub>7</sub> A<sub>b7</sub> G<sub>6</sub> A<sub>Δ7</sub> B<sub>Δ7</sub> A<sub>Δ7</sub> G<sub>6</sub> G<sub>6</sub> A<sub>b9</sub> F<sub>9</sub> G<sub>9</sub>

D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>b9</sub> D<sub>9</sub> G<sub>Δ7</sub> A<sub>Δ7</sub> B<sub>Δ7</sub> B<sub>b7</sub>A<sub>7</sub> A<sub>b7</sub> G<sub>6</sub> A<sub>Δ7</sub> B<sub>Δ7</sub> A<sub>Δ7</sub> G<sub>6</sub> G<sub>6</sub> A<sub>b9</sub> F<sub>9</sub> G<sub>9</sub>

Detailed description: This is a full orchestral score for the song 'Happiness is a Thing Called Joe'. The score is arranged for a vocal soloist and a large ensemble. The vocal part is in the key of G major and 4/4 time, with lyrics: 'by Some-times the ca - bin's gloom-y and the tab-le's bare, But when he kiss-es me it's Christ-mas ev'-ry -'. The instrumental ensemble includes Alto 1 and 2, Tenor 1 and 2, Bari, Trumpet 1-4, Trombone 1-4, Guitar, Piano, Bass, and Drums. The guitar and piano parts include chord diagrams and chord names: D<sub>9</sub>, E<sub>b9</sub>, D<sub>9</sub>, G<sub>Δ7</sub>, A<sub>Δ7</sub>, B<sub>Δ7</sub>, B<sub>b7</sub>A<sub>7</sub>, A<sub>b7</sub>, G<sub>6</sub>, A<sub>Δ7</sub>, B<sub>Δ7</sub>, A<sub>Δ7</sub>, G<sub>6</sub>, G<sub>6</sub>, A<sub>b9</sub>, F<sub>9</sub>, G<sub>9</sub>. The piano part includes a treble clef staff with a melody and a bass clef staff with accompaniment. The drums part includes a snare drum and a bass drum. The score is numbered 17 to 24 at the bottom.