

Andante ♩ = 80

J.S. Bach

The image shows a musical score for four woodwind instruments: Clarinet in Bb 1, Clarinet in Bb 2, Bassoon 1, and Bassoon 2. The score is in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The tempo is marked 'Andante' with a quarter note equal to 80 beats per minute. The dynamics are marked 'p' (piano) for each instrument. The Clarinet in Bb 1 part features a melodic line with a long slur. The Clarinet in Bb 2 part has a more rhythmic, eighth-note pattern. The Bassoon 1 part has a melodic line with slurs. The Bassoon 2 part has a melodic line with slurs. The score is presented in a standard musical notation format with a grand staff for each instrument.

For quiet, background harmony, this is our best version. There are only 2 timbres, they are spaced close together, and they blend well. Although woodwinds can never blend as well as strings, this is the least obtrusive and "contrapuntal" of our solutions.

Next: Let's try a LOUD version.