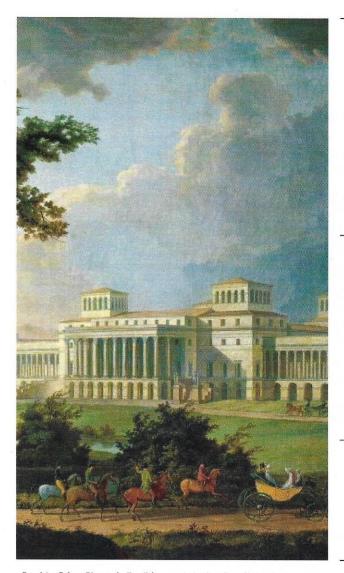
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Conductor: Carleton Etherington



Esterházy Palace, Eisenstadt. Detail from a painting by Albert Christoph Dies, 1812

Hummel Mass in B Flat

Haydn Stabat Mater

Augusta Hebbert
-Sky-Ingram
soprano

Anna Starushkevych alto

Adam Smith tenor

Benjamin Appl bass

Cirencester Choral Society

Corinium Camerata Andrew Court leader

7:30 pm Saturday 5th May 2012 Cirencester Parish Church

PROGRAMME

The Latin texts of the works and English translations are provided in the centre pages

PART ONE

Tantum Ergo in D (K197)

(for four part chorus)

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

One of Mozart's two settings of this two-verse mediaeval Latin hymn written by St Thomas Aquinas. The fifth and sixth stanzas 'Tantum ergo sacramentum' and Genitori genitoque' were sung as part of Vespers and Solemn High Mass in the Catholic liturgy. This setting was probably written at Salzburg in 1772.

Mass in B flat (op 77)

(for four part chorus)

J. N. Hummel (1778 – 1837)

The Mass in B flat was dedicated to Prince Nicolaus Esterházy and was intended for performance at court on the Prince's name-day. The autograph score which bears the title Missa da Sti. Nicolaii (later crossed out) is dated 10 November 1810. According to court records, however, a Mass in B flat was performed in 1805 under Hummel's direction in the Eisenstadt parish church, suggesting the work may have been begun soon after his arrival at the Esterházy court. (John Eric Floreen, from the Preface to the OUP score used this evening)

INTERVAL (20 minutes)

(Refreshments available in the North and South aisles. If you didn't purchase a drinks ticket when you bought your programme, please pay at the bar before collecting your drink.)

PART TWO

Stabat Mater

(for four part chorus and four solo voices)

J. Haydn (1732-1809)

Stabat Mater Dolorosa is a thirteenth century Catholic hymn to the Virgin Mary, which, in its many and varied musical settings, has played an important role in Catholic liturgy during the middle ages and again following its revival in the early eighteenth century after a period of suppression during the Reformation. The text describes the torment that Mary must have endured at the Crucifixion, empathises with her plight and asks her for protection and, at the last, the glory of paradise for the soul.

- 1. Stabat mater dolorosa
- 2. O quam tristis et afflicta
- 3. Quis est homo qui non fleret
- 4. Quis non posset contristari
- 5. Pro peccatis suae gentis
- 6. Vidit suum dulcem natum
- 7. Eis Mater, fons amoris
- 8. Sancta Mater, istud agas
- 9. Fac me vere tecum flere
- 10. Virgo virginum praeclara
- 11. Flammis orci ne succendar
- 12. Fac me cruce custodiri
- 13a. Quando corpus morietur
- 13b. Paradisi gloria

Tenor solo & Chorus

Alto solo

Chorus

Soprano solo

Bass solo

Tenor solo

Chorus

Soprano & Tenor duet

Alto solo

Quartet & Chorus

Bass solo

Tenor solo

Alto & Soprano soli & Chorus

Chorus



Pietro Perugino, 1482,

JOSPEH HAYDN'S Stabat Mater is one of his earlier choral works, dated 1767. The motivation for its composition is interesting, as revealed in the foreword of the Faber Music H.C. Robbins Landon edition of the work used for this evening's performance.



Joseph Haydn, by Ludwig Guttenbrunn, circa 1770

Robbins Landon, a renowned authority on Haydn, cites an 1828 account by Moravian minister and composer Rev Ignatius Latrobe of a meeting he had with Haydn in 1791. Latrobe recalls that 'Sometime around the year 1770 (but as to the particular year I am not sure) he [Haydn] was seized with a violent disorder, which threatened his life. "I was", said he, "not prepared to die, and prayed to God to have mercy on me and grant me recovery. I also vowed that if I were restored to health I would compose a Stabat Mater in honour of the blessed Virgin, as a token of thankfulness. My prayer was heard and I recovered. With a grateful sense of my duty, I cheerfully set about the performance of my Vow, and endeavoured to do it in my best manner'.

'The thoughtful, delicate and at times joyful and dramatic Stabat Mater', Robbins Landon tells us, 'is the vocal work that established Haydn throughout Europe as a composer of religious music. 'The work's beauties', he concludes, 'have not dimmed in the more than two hundred years since it was first played at Eisenstadt.'

Haydn had been employed at the court of the wealthy Esterházy family at Eisenstadt since 1761. He was promoted to full Kapellmeister in 1766 and served the musicloving Prince Nicolaus I until the latter's death in 1790. After Nicolaus' death, Haydn took the opportunity to spend time in London and Vienna before returning to Eisenstadt in 1795 at the request of his new patron, Nicolaus II. In the following six years Haydn produced his six late masses, *Creation* and *The Seasons*, but ill health forced him to give up composing in 1803.

While in London, Haydn had taught the young Austro-Hungarian prodigy Johann Nepomuk Hummel, and continued to teach him on their return to Vienna. In 1804 Haydn recommended Hummel as Konzertmeister to Nicolaus II at Eisenstadt.



Haydn's principal patron, Prince Nicolaus Esterházy I

JOHANN NEPOMUK HUMMEL was born in Hungary, then part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, in 1778 and moved to Vienna when his father was appointed director of the Imperial School of Military Music. He learned the piano when very young and, at the age of 8, was taken on as a pupil by the 22 year old Mozart. A year

later he made his first concert appearance at one of Mozart's concerts.



Johann Nepomuk Hummel

His father then took him on a tour of Europe, ending with four years in London, where he studied piano technique under Clementi. Here he also studied with Haydn, who composed a sonata for him which he premiered in 1791, Haydn giving the young Hummel a guinea tip for his performance.

Hummel held the Konzertmeister post at Eisenstadt for seven years before being dismissed for neglecting his duties. This opened the door for more travel and after touring Russia and Europe and marrying the German opera singer Elisabeth Röckel, with whom he had two sons, he secured positions as Kappelmeister at Stuttgart and then Weimar, where he died in 1837. With a family to support, and no doubt aware of the uncertainties of his profession, financial security was probably never far from Hummel's mind. In his later years he started and raised funds for a musicians' pension scheme and fought for musical copyrights.

During his career, Hummel was influenced by many great musicians. On his return from London to Vienna, he had become friendly with fellow student Beethoven, though it is said that working alongside Beethoven destroyed his self-confidence. The tricky relationship between the two was only reconciled shortly before Beethoven's death in 1827. While preparing Beethoven's Memorial Concert, Hummel met and became close friends with Schubert.

Hummel was a great piano virtuoso - most of his compositions were for the piano - and it is said that Schumann and Chopin were much influenced by his works. Unlike Beethoven, his style did not develop from the Classical into the Romantic, so in his time he was thought to be old fashioned.

When the Classical period again became popular in the 20th Century there was little of Hummel's work readily available, but more is now enjoying a deserved revival. His five symphonic masses date from his time at the Esterházy court. It is not surprising that the masses are redolent of Haydn and Mozart, but individual stylistic features bring an originality to Hummel's writing that makes his work a joy to sing.

The John Eric Floreen (OUP) edition of the Mass in B flat sung tonight received the American Choral Directors Association Award for Excellence in Research and Editing.



Hummel's patron, Prince Nicolaus Esterházy II

TANTUM ERGO

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

LATIN MASS

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison; Kyrie eleison.

GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris . . .

... qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

CREDO

Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, factorem cœli et terrae, visibilium omnium et invisibilium. Et in unum Dominum, Jesum Christum, Filium Dei unigenitum. Et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula.

Hence so great a Sacrament
Let us venerate with heads bowed
And let the old practice
Give way to the new rite;
Let faith provide a supplement
For the failure of the senses.

To the Begetter and the Begotten, Be praise and jubilation, Hail, honor, virtue also, And blessing too: To the One proceeding from Both Let there be equal praise. Amen.

Lord have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we adore Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father...

... who takes away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us; Thou who takes away the sins of the world, hear our prayers. Who sits at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou art the only Holy One, the only Lord, the only Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds. Deum verum de Deo vero, lumen de lumine, genitum non factum, consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt.

Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de cœlis. Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine, et homo factus est. Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato, passus et sepultus est.

Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas, et ascendit in cælum, sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria, iudicare vivos et mortuos, cuius regni non erit finis;

Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem, qui ex Patre Filioque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur: qui locutus est per prophetas. Et unam, sanctam, catholicam et apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.

SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth; pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.

BENEDICTUS

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis.

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi...

... Dona nobis pacem.

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made.

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. He was also crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried:

And on the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into Heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead: of His Kingdom there shall be no end;

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who, with the Father and the Son, is similarly adored and glorified, Who has spoken through the Prophets. And I believe in One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, I confess one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I expect the Resurrection of the Dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts; Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world . . .

. . . Grant us peace.

STABAT MATER

- 1. Stabat Mater dolorosa juxta crucem lacrimosa dum pendebat Filius. Cuius animam gementem contristatam et dolentem Pertransivit gladius.
- 2. O quam tristis et afflicta Fuit illa benedicta Mater unigeniti. Quae moerebat et dolebat et tremedat, dum videbat Nati poenas inclyti.
- 3. Quis est homo qui non fleret, Christi Matrem si videret, in tanto supplicio?
- 4. Quis non posset contristari, piam Matrem contemplari, dolentem cum Filio?
- 5. Pro peccatis suae gentis, vidit Jesum in tormentis et flagellis subditum.
- 6. Vidit suum dulcem natum moriendo desolatum dum emisit spiritum.
- 7. Eia Mater, fons amoris me sentire vim doloris fac ut tecum lugeam. Fac, ut ardeat cor meum in amando Christum Deum ut sibi complaceam.
- 8. Sancta Mater, istud agas, Crucifixi fige plagas Cordi meo valide. Tui nati vulnerati, Tam dignati pro me pati, Poenas mecum divide.

The grieving Mother stood weeping beside the cross where her Son was hanging
Through her weeping soul, compassionate and grieving, a sword passed.

O how sad and afflicted was that blessed Mother of the Only-begotten! Who mourned and grieved and trembled looking at the torment of her glorious Child.

Who is the person who would not weep seeing the Mother of Christ in such agony?

Who would not be able to feel compassion on beholding Christ's Mother suffering with her Son?

For the sins of his people she saw Jesus in torment and subjected to the scourge.

She saw her sweet offspring dying, forsaken, while He gave up his spirit

O Mother, fountain of love, make me feel the power of sorrow, that I may grieve with you. Grant that my heart may burn in the love of Christ my Lord, that I may greatly please Him.

Holy Mother, grant that the wounds of the Crucified drive deep into my heart. That of your wounded Son, who so deigned to suffer for me, I may share the pain. 9. Fac me vere tecum flere, crucifixo condolere, donec ego vixero.
Juxta crucem tecum stare et me tibi sociare in planctu desidero.

10. Virgo virginum praeclara mihi jam non sis amara, fac me tecum plangere. Fac, ut portem Christi mortem, Passionis fac consortem, et plagas recolere. Fac me plagis vulnerari, cruce hac inebriari, ob amorem Filii.

11. Flammis orci ne succendar per te, Virgo, fac, defendar in die judicii.

12. Fac me cruce custodiri, Morte Christi praemuniri, conservari gratia.

13a. Quando corpus morietur, fac, ut animae donetur Paradisi gloria.

13b. Paradisi gloria ut animae donetur, Amen.

Let me sincerely weep with you, bemoan the Crucified, for as long as I live. To stand beside the cross with you, and to join you in your weeping, this I desire.

Chosen Virgin of virgins, be not bitter with me, let me weep with thee. Grant that I may bear the death of Christ, share his Passion, and commemorate His wounds. Let me be wounded with his wounds, let me be inebriated by the cross Because of love for the Son.

Lest I be set afire by flames of death, Virgin, may I be defended by you, on the day of judgement.

Let me be guarded by the cross, armed by Christ's death and His grace cherish me.

When my body dies, grant that to my soul is given the glory of paradise.

Grant that to my soul is given the glory of paradise, Amen

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Tonight's Soloists are from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama (GSMD) and appear by kind permission of the Principal.

Sky Ingram (soprano) from Australia is currently studying on GSMD's Opera Course with Susan Waters. Last year, at the 2011 Royal Over-Sea League (ROSL) Annual Music Awards, Sky won the Lorna Viol Memorial Prize and ROSL Trophy for the most outstanding musician from overseas and the Tait Memorial Scholarship for an Australian Musician, following which she was invited by the Queen to a reception for Australians working and studying in the UK at Buckingham Palace.



In Australia, Sky worked for the State Opera of South Australia, the SOSA Opera Studio, The Australian Opera Studio and Co-Opera. She studied music at the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts and the Elder Conservatorium, Adelaide University, where she received a 1st Class Honours Degree with Guila Tiver.

Recent opera credits include roles in *The Rape of Lucretia, Dialogues des Carmelites, A Midsummer Night's Dream, La Clemenza di Tito, Carmen, Orfeo, The Magic Flute* and the Australian opera premiere of *The Crucible*. Sky recently sang in Poulenc's *Gloria* and two Pre-LSO concerts in the Barbican Music Hall for GSMD. Future plans include Frau Fluth in *Die Lustigen Weiber von Windsor*, Helena in *A Midsummer Nights Dream* and Emily in the UK and European premiere of *Our Town* for GSMD.

Sky is currently a Wingate Scholar and is supported by The City Livery Club, The

George and Charlotte Balfour Award, The Worshipful Company of Barbers and The Leverhulme Trust.

Anna Starushkevych (mezzo) was born in Lviv, Ukraine and began piano and vocal lessons from the age of seven. After completing her Master of Music at GSMD, she joined the Opera Course in 2011.

In March this year, Anna won the 11th Handel Singing Competition in London, taking both the top award (the Adair Prize) and the Audience Prize. She is the first mezzo-soprano ever to win the competition. This followed winning the Susan Longfield Award and the Jackdaws Vocal Award in the Wigmore Hall last year, as well as being a finalist in the Lez Azuriales Opera Competition in Nice.

Anna has given solo recitals and performed in concerts in Brussels, London, Switzerland and Ukraine and toured Austria as a soloist with a chamber orchestra of the Lviv State Musical College. Her opera debut was the leading role of Clytemnestra in the European première of Taneyev's *Oresteia* in Leeds in November 2010. The performance was critically acclaimed by *Opera Magazine*.



In June, Anna will join the Solti Academy in Castiglione della pescaia (Italy) to work with some of the world's best opera singers and teachers – Kiri Te Kanawa, Angela Gheorghiu and Dennis O'Neill.

At GSMD Anna receives generous support from Serena Fenwick, the Leverhulme Trust, the Sidney Perry Foundation, the Elizabeth Sweeting Award and the Charles Pitt Award.

Adam Smith (tenor) was born in Cheshire and graduated from the Royal Northern College of Music with a first class honours degree in music. He now studies on the opera course at the GSMD after being awarded a full scholarship.

Adam's operatic roles include Arturo in Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*, Anatol in Barber's *Vanessa*, Remendado in Bizet's *Carmen*, Tito in Mozart's *La Clemenza Di Tito* and Vanderdender in Leonard Bernstein's *Candide*. Adam has appeared in opera scenes as Nadir in Bizet's *Les pêcheurs de perles*, Rodolfo in Puccini's *La Bohème* and Lysander in Britten's *A midsummer night's dream* for Clonter Opera.

Concert experience includes a performance at the 65th anniversary of 'Victory in Europe' day for the Royal British Legion in Liverpool Cathedral. Adam has performed Rossini's Petite Messe Solonnelle, Haydn's The Seasons, Nelson Mass and Harmoniemesse, Liszt's Three Petrarch Sonnets, Bruckner's Te Deum, Handel's Messiah, Mendelssohn's Hymn of Praise, and The diary of one who disappeared by Leos Janacek. He gave a recital in the Lake District for the 'Music for a summer evening' concert series and has also performed in numerous opera galas including a gala for 'Cancer aid listening live' charity at the RNCM.



Adam is a Susan Chilcott Scholar and a Wingate Scholar. His studies are also helped by a Sybil Tutton Award administered by the Musicians Benevolent Fund and an award from the Hilda Clarke Memorial Fund.

Benjamin Appl (baritone) received his first musical training with the famous Regensberger Domspatzen - the thousand year old Regensburg Cathedral Choir - and went on to study lieder at the Hochschule für Musik und Theater and the August Everding Theaterakademie in Munich. His opera studies continue at GSMD with Rudolf Piernay. Benjamin was a masterclass scholar on the prestigious Samling programme in the UK in 2011 and has the great fortune to be mentored by Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau. He is a member of Yehudi-Menuhin-Foundation Live Music and is a recipient of the German National Academic Foundation.



Benjamin has considerable operatic experience and in 2011 made his acclaimed debut at the Berlin State Opera. He has performed with, among others, the Akademie für Alte Musik Berlin, the Bach Collegium Zurich and Munich Philharmonic. Engagements in 2010 included Handel's *Messiah* in Paris and Handel's *Samson* in Augsburg. He has performed in many live broadcast concerts, notable among which was as soloist in a service held by Pope Benedict XVI in Regensburg on the occasion of his apostolic visit to Bavaria in 2006, broadcast live internationally.

As a recitalist Benjamin Appl regularly performs with pianist Graham Johnson and has joined his 'Young Songmakers' Almanac'. In 2010 he made his US debut at the Ravinia Festival and last year made his debut with with the Berlin Philharmonic singing lieder by Mahler.

About the Choral Society

Cirencester Choral Society was founded in 1863 and currently has over 120 members. We are all amateur singers but strive to perform to the highest possible standards with the resources available to us. We employ a professional conductor and a professional accompanist to train us. Our Conductor Carleton Etherington has been directing us since January 2005. He is Organist of



Tewkesbury Abbey, directs the Abbey Choir and accompanies the Tewkesbury Abbey Schola Cantorum. Carleton features on many CD recordings and broadcasts regularly on the BBC. Our accompanist **Jenny Rees** also joined us in January 2005. She is a freelance professional musician and teacher, and ably assembles orchestral players under the banner of the *Corinium Camerata* when required for our concerts.



Although our numbers have reached the capacity of our rehearsal and performance venues, we welcome inquiries from singers interested in the possibility of joining the choir when vacancies arise. You can learn more about our activities, and what we look for in potential new members, from our website www.cirencester-choral-soc.org.uk. If you are interested in joining us, please submit the application form that you will find there or contact our Membership Secretary, Anne Vickers, on 01285 659114. We rehearse on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St Peter's Hall, St Peter's Rd, Cirencester. Our main season runs from September to May and rehearsals for our December 2012 concert begin on Tuesday 4th September.

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Cirencester Choral Society's Next concert

Sat 8th December 2012

Cirencester Parish Church

Henry Purcell

Dido & Aeneas

(concert performance)

Te Deum and Jubilate in D

O Sing unto the Lord a new song

Chaconne in D minor

Tickets, which go on sale one month before concert dates, are available from members, from the Cirencester Visitor Information Centre or via the Society's website www.cirencester-choral-soc.org.uk

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Next year the Society celebrates 150 years of amateur choral singing in Cirencester under the Society's banner. A programme of events is being organised to recall the Society's past and celebrate its present. Our main concerts will feature music of composers who played a notable role in the Society's early decades:

Saturday 4th May 2013

Cirencester Parish Church

Music by Sir Hubert Parry

(who conducted the Choral Society on 6 April 1905)

Saturday 30th November 2013

Cirencester Parish Church

Mendelssohn's Elijah

(Mendelssohn's choral music was hugely popular in the late 19th and early 20th centuries and was performed frequently by the Society)

The Society's 150th Anniversary Public Lecture 'Rituals, riots and royalty: the Victorian choral revival' will be presented by David White, former conductor, on Wednesday 9 October 2013.

The year's celebratory programme will conclude with a **Christmas Concert** in the Parish Church on **Tuesday 17**th **December.**

Further details of these and other events will be announced later this year.

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