

# HAPPINESS IS A THING CALLED JOE

As recorded by WOODY HERMAN

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♩ = 75 SWING

The musical score is arranged for a swing band. It includes the following parts:

- Vocal:** Lyrics: "It seems like Happiness 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".
- Trumpets 1-4:** Each part includes a "SOUP NOTE" instruction.
- Trumpet 1:** Includes a "SOLO" section.
- Trumpsone 1-4:** Each part includes a "SOUP NOTE" instruction.
- Guitar:** Provides harmonic accompaniment with chords: G $\Delta$ 7, A $\Delta$ 7, B $\Delta$ 7, B $\flat$ +7, A7, A $\flat$ 7, G $\flat$ , A $\Delta$ 7, B $\Delta$ 7, D7/A, G $\Delta$ 7, A $\Delta$ 7, G $\flat$ /B.
- Piano:** Provides harmonic accompaniment with chords: G $\Delta$ 7, A $\Delta$ 7, B $\Delta$ 7, B $\flat$ +7, A7, A $\flat$ 7, G $\flat$ , A $\Delta$ 7, E $\Delta$ 7, D7/A, G $\Delta$ 7, A $\Delta$ 7, G $\flat$ /B.
- Bass:** Provides harmonic accompaniment with chords: G $\Delta$ 7, A $\Delta$ 7, B $\Delta$ 7, B $\flat$ +7, A7, A $\flat$ 7, G $\flat$ , A $\Delta$ 7, E $\Delta$ 7, D7/A, G $\Delta$ 7, A $\Delta$ 7, G $\flat$ /B.
- 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** (NO LEAD)  
**Tenor 1**  
**Tenor 2**  
**Bari**

**Trumpet 1**  
**Trumpet 2**  
**Trumpet 3**  
**Trumpet 4**

**Trombone 1**  
**Trombone 2**  
**Trombone 3**  
**Trombone 4**

**Guitar**  
**Piano**  
**Bass**  
**Drums**

Chord progression: D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>9</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>9</sub>/A D<sub>9</sub> E<sub>9</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><sup>o</sup>

Drum notation: (4)

Measure numbers: 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>

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for the song 'Happiness is a Thing Called Joe'. It features a vocal line at the top 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 score includes parts for Alto 1, Alto 2, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, and Bari. Instrumental parts are provided for Trumpet 1-4, Trombone 1-4, Guitar, Piano, Bass, and Drums. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The score is divided into measures 17 through 24. Chord symbols are written above the guitar and piano parts. A 'C' in a square indicates a first ending. Performance markings include '(LEAD)' and 'No LEAD'.