

Waitā

For Sea Water

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Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Piano

p

A

Solo soprano
mp

S
A

Wai - tā: Glim-mer bright with a mor-ning shim-mer. Wai - tā: Guar-dian of

6

S
A

poco rit. + solo alto
a tempo

all li-ving in the tide. Wai-tā: War-der, seas keep-ing to your or - der

6

mp

9

S
A

Blaz-ing on, pro-tect-ing the kai that they pro-vide.

Tutti S+A

12

S
A

Wai - tā: Se - er, cham-pion of wa - ters ne - ar. Wai - tā: Hug-ging the

Ooh Ooh Ooh

T
B

12

mp

15

S
A

beach and the roc - ky coast Wai - tā: Re - turn - ing a - gain at the win - ter's yearn - ing,

Tenors only

Ooh

T
B

15

mf

poco rit.

C *a tempo*

Ten-ding to the o - ceans whose life is need - ed most.

S
A

Ooh

f

f

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

mp

T
B

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

f

S
A

sea, and all there-in,

Pros - per in bright Wai - tā's stare.

Sops only

Tenors only

T
B

S
A

debt - ed for its hand, are those who tend the land And, for its great do-main, show

Tutti

T
B

*poco rit.***D***a tempo*

27

S A

care.

Wai - tā: Shi-ning waves, to its glow, in-clin-ing.

T B

27

f

mf

30

S A

Wai - tā: Vi - tal light for the brin - y air.

Wai - tā: Se - ver

T B

30

mf

33

S A

love to the o-ceans, ne - ver.

In re - turn, the pro - mise: a boun-ty all can share.

T B

33

rallentando

E *meno mosso*

S
A

T
B

mp

Here be - low on land, to du - ty all are called: Live to serve the o - cean,

36

p

F *cresc.*

S
A

T
B

39

free.

Take, but al - ways then re - turn much more, So, all can

cresc.

cresc.

S
A

T
B

42

f *allargando*

earn a fu - ture for the sea. Ser - ving, by tend - ing

f

f

molto rall. **G** *ff* *tempo primo*

S
A
T
B

45
for Wai - tā is ne - ver - end - ing! Wai - tā: Ur - ges

48
all to pro-TECT sea's sur-ges. Wai - tā: Whe-ther the waves are warm or cold.

51
Wai - tā: Lo-ya!, no-one ought e - ver spo - il Realms that should be pre-cious:

45
48
51

ff *f*

Waitā

molto rall.



mf

molto meno mosso

S
A

Seas and all they hold. Wai-tā: Guide and guar-dian of seas and all they hold.

T
B

54

pp

rallentando

S
A

T
B

57