

Taqsim No. 1 – Measured

TAQSIM—an instrumental form of Arabic and Turkish classical music guided by the makam/maqam system, a set of rules comparable to modes in Western music. Ordinarily improvised, taqsim consists of several sections and is usually nonmetric. The instrument plays either completely alone, with a percussionist, or with a drone.



TAQSIM NO. 1 MEASURED—Expressively perform the Taqsim No. 1 Measured parts and repeats as assigned and directed by your teacher.

Moderately

Violin A, Violin B, Drone, Viola A, Viola B, Drone, Cello Bass A, Cello Bass B, Drone

1 2 3 4 5 6

Violin A, Violin B, Drone, Viola A, Viola B, Drone, Cello Bass A, Cello Bass B, Drone

7 8 9 10 11 12

Play 3x

* The audio track for *Taqsim*s No. 1–4 is a drone note. Listen and play along with the drone note to practice playing and improvising using the ideas in each taqsim.