

# Etude No. 16

Op. 60

Matteo Carcassi  
(1792-1853)

Andante

The musical score for Etude No. 16 by Matteo Carcassi, Op. 60, is presented in a single system with seven staves. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked "Andante".

The score begins with a *mf* dynamic and features a series of chords and single notes. The first staff (measures 1-3) includes fingering instructions (1, 2, 3, 4) and dynamics (*mf*, *p*). The second staff (measures 4-6) starts with a *rf* dynamic and includes a first ending bracket. The third staff (measures 7-9) includes a *p* dynamic, a *dim.* marking, and a *p* dynamic. The fourth staff (measures 10-12) includes a *cresc.* marking, a *ritenuto* marking, and a *mf* dynamic. The fifth staff (measures 13-15) includes a *p* dynamic and a *rf* dynamic. The sixth staff (measures 16-18) includes a *f* dynamic and a *p* dynamic. The seventh staff (measures 19-20) includes a *dim.* marking and a *p* dynamic. The piece concludes with first and second endings.



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*p* *rf* *rf*

T 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 3 1 1 1 10 10 10  
 A 2 2 2 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 9 9 9 9 9  
 B 8 8 8 8 8 8 5 5 5 5 5 5 8 8 8 8 8

16

*f* *f* *f*

T 10 8 6 6 6 7 6 6 6 6 5 6 5 6 5 5 5 5 6 6 6  
 A 9 9 9 7 7 7 6 6 6 5 5 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 7 7 7  
 B 8 8 8 7 7 7 5 5 5 5 5 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 7 7 7

19

*dim.* *p* *p* *p*

T 3 0 3 3 1 3 1 3 1  
 A 0 0 0 3 0 3 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3  
 B 1 1 1 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3

# Musical Tip Sheet

## The Big 5:

1. Reduce work with posture and a positive attitude
2. Troubleshoot - Everything should be easy
3. Breathe
4. Trust yourself to play accurately and musically inspired (instead of judging)
5. Always play as a gift to yourself and others

## The 7 Steps to Learn Any Piece:

1. Make small sections
2. Know all the notes and musical markings
3. Clap and count the rhythm aloud
4. Play the right hand alone, counting aloud
5. Play the left hand alone, counting aloud
6. Play hands together, pausing when needed (no mistakes!)
7. Play hands together slowly in rhythm, counting aloud

## Musical Starting Points:

1. Decide which notes are melody (probably stems up), and play the others quieter
2. Connect all melody notes smoothly (no gaps)
3. When a musical line or melody goes up in pitch, get quieter
4. When a musical line or melody goes down in pitch, get louder
5. Don't let the high notes stand out (any note higher than the ones before and after)

## Practice Tips:

1. Before slowing down or speeding up (rubato) master it at a steady pace.
2. For tricky spots, state out loud exactly what the problem is, in every detail.
3. Memorize every piece (even if you don't, you'll learn it faster if you try)
4. Have a purpose behind each repetition (so you don't ingrain bad habits).
5. Video yourself for performance practice, and to hear what is working.

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