




1812 Overture

Peter Tchaikovsky

Arranged by Andrew Dabczynski

INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score.....	1
Violin I.....	8
Violin II.....	8
Violin III (Viola ).....	3
Viola.....	5
Cello.....	5
String Bass.....	5
Piano Accompaniment.....	1
Optional Percussion (Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Crash Cymbals, Tambourine, Triangle)	2

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The memorable themes and heroic drama of Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture* are captured in this complete and thoroughly playable arrangement for string orchestra. Optional string *divisi* sections provide violinists with an extra challenge, while optional percussion parts add extra interest and recall the great Russian cannon. This arrangement provides an opportunity for students to explore expressive dynamics and bowings typical of the Romantic era. More importantly, it allows students to become familiar with some of the most beloved melodies in the repertoire. This overture is a festival favorite and is sure to bring the audience to their feet as a concert finale.