

As Costureiras

The Sewing Girls

For Full Chorus of Women's Voices
a cappella

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Allegro moderato $\text{♩} = 90$

Soprano I

Soprano II

Alto I

Alto II

La - la - ri - la - lá! La - ri - la - lá!

La - la - ri - la - lá! La - ri - la -

La - la - ri - la - lá!

La - la - ri - la - lá!

La-la-ri-la-la! La-ri-la-lá!

La-la-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá!

lá!

La-la-ri-la-la! La-ri-la - lá!

La-la-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-

La - la - ri - la - lá!

La - la - ri - la - lá!

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mf *3* *3* *p*

Com al - ma a cho - rar!
Sad - ness_ in their hearts,

Lalari-la-lá! Lari-la-

lá! Larilalá! Larilalá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la - lá! Larilalá! Larilalá!

pp

lá! Larilalá! Larilalá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la - lá!

mf *3* *3* *p*

A - le - gre a sor - rir!
Laugh - ter_ in their eyes,

p

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-

mf *3* *3*

Can - tan - do os seus ma - - - les!
Sing - ing— of their sor - - - row,

pp

Lalarilalá! Lari-la-

lá! Larilalá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri - la - lá! Larilalá! Lari-la!

pp

La-la-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá!

As The cos girls - tu - are
mfdiv.

lá! La-la-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la As The cos girls - tu - are

La-la-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-

Lá! Lá! Lá!

p

rei - - ras, So - mos nes - ta
 sew - - ing. Our - hopes will not

rei - - ras, So - mos nes - ta
 sew - - ing. Our - hopes will not

mf

lá! Lá! La-la-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri-la!
mf

La-la-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri-la - lá! Lá! Lá! la - lá!

p

vi - - da! The - té a -
 fail us, threads of

vi - - da! The - té a -
 fail us, threads of

pp

Lá! Lá! La-la-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri-la!
 La-la-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la - lá! Lá! Lá! Lá!

mo - res u - ni - mos a li - - nha,
 life and love are in - ter - twin - ing,
 ,
 mo - res u - ni - mos a li - - nha,
 life and love are in - ter - twin - ing,
 ,
 flo - res u - ni - mos a La-la - ri - la -
 life and love are in - ter - twin - La-la - ri - la -
 ,
 pp La-la - ri - la - La-la - La-la - La-la - La - ri - la -
 ,
 mf La-la - ri - la - La-la - La-la - La - ri - la -
 ,
 Nós tra - ba - lha - mos sem - pre a - le - gres na
 Gai - ly we're sew - ing, though new cares may as -
 ,
 Nós tra - ba - lha - mos sem - pre a - le - gres na
 Gai - ly we're sew - ing, though new cares may as -
 ,
 mf lá! La - ri - la - lá! La - ri - la - Al - mas, sem - pre a - le - gres na
 Lá! Lá! Lá! sew - ing, though new cares may as -
 ,
 pp Lá! Lá! Lá! La - la - ri - la - lá! La - ri - la - lá! La - ri - la - lá! La - ri - la -
 ,
 li sail da! us. poco rall.
 li sail da! us. poco rall.
 pp li sail da! us. poco rall.
 La - la - ri - la - lá! Lari - la - lá! Lari - la - lá! Lari - la - lá!
 poco rall.
 Lá! Lá! Lala - ri - la - lá! Lari - la - lá! Lari - la - lá! Lari - la -
 ,
 poco rall.

The musical score consists of three staves of music for voice and piano. The first two staves begin with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a tempo marking of *mf*. The lyrics are in Spanish, with some words in English: "Co-mo al-guem que-a-di-vi-nha," and "E-ven-as those good at di-vin-ing." The third staff begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one flat, and a tempo marking of *mf*. The lyrics are: "Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la!" followed by a single note and the word "Lá!". The piano accompaniment features eighth-note patterns throughout.

The musical score consists of three staves of music. The first two staves are in common time, treble clef, and B-flat key signature. The third staff is also in common time, treble clef, and B-flat key signature. The lyrics are as follows:

 O be - lo fu - tu - ro que nos faz sor - rir!
 We can see a fu - ture soon to smile on us, Nos
to

 O be - lo fu - tu - ro que nos faz sor - rir!
 We can see a fu - ture soon to smile on us, Nos
to

 Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Larila - lá! La - ri - la! Lá!
 Lá! Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-lalá! Larilalá! Larila-

Tempo I^o

pp

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la - lá!

mf *rall.* *rall.*

Com al - mu a cho -
Sad - ness in their

p

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá!

pp

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri-la-

rar!
hearts,

pp

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la - lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá! La-ri-la-

mf *rall.* *rall.*

A - le - grea sor -
Laugh - ter in their

rir!
eyes!

rall.

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la - lá!

p

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la!

pp *rall.*

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá!

Lala-ri-la-lá! Lari-la-lá!

Co - se, co - se, co-sea cos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
 Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and
 Co - se, co - se, co-sea cos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
 Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and
 Co - se, co - se, co-sea eos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
 Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and
 Co - se, co - se, co-sea eos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
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 Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and
 Co - se, co - se, co-sea eos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
 Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and
 blu - sa,a sa - ia, Co - se co'in - te - res-see mostra - te fa - cei - ra, bem fa -
 stitch the blou-ses, Charm all those who come for fit-tings: Though sometimes your hearts are
 blu - sa,a sa - ia, Co - se co'in - te - res-see mostra - te fa - cei - ra, bem fa -
 stitch the blou-ses, Charm all those who come for fit-tings: Though sometimes your hearts are
 blu - sa,a sa - ia, Co - se co'in - te - res-see mostra - te fa - cei - ra, bem fa -
 stitch the blou-ses, Charm all those who come for fit-tings: Though sometimes your hearts are
 cos - tu - rei - ra, Co - se, co - se, co-sea eos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
 cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and
 string.
 cei - ra a quem pro - va - res o pon-te - a - do, oa - li - nha - va - do, o cos - tu - ra - do, o
 sigh-ing, Keep your bright needles fly-ing, With each oth-er vy-ing, Sew-ing, stitching,
 cei - ra a quem pro - va - res o pon-te - a - do, oa - li - nha - va - do, o cos - tu - ra - do, o
 sigh-ing, Keep your bright needles fly-ing, With each oth-er vy-ing, Sew-ing, stitching,
 man - ga,a and blu - sa a the blou - sa

poco rall. rall. string. rall.

chu - ti - u - do, o pre-gui - a - do, Ah! — Lari-la! La la la la la la la! La! —
pleat-ing, cut-ting, tack-ing, tucking,

poco rall. rall. string. rall.

res!
ses!

Ah! — Lari-la! La la la la la la la! La! —

poco rall. rall. string. rall.

res!
ses!

ia!
ses!

a tempo

Co - se, co - se, co-sea cos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and

a tempo

Co - se, co - se, co-sea cos - tu - rei - ra, Co - sea man - ga,a
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Sew - ing, sew - ing, do not cease your sew - ing, Hem the skirts and

blu - sa,a sa - ia, Co - se co'in-te - res-see mos-tra - te fa - cei - ra, bem fa -
stitch the blou-ses, Charm all those who come for fit-tings: Though sometimes your hearts are

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cos - tu - rei - ra, Bem
cease your sew - ing, Hearts
fa - are -

Tempo I^o

pp

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Com al - maa cho -
Sad - ness_ in their

p

pp

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hearts,

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lá! Lari-la-lá! Lari-la-lá!

A - le - grea sor -
Laugh - ter_ in their

rall.

ff

lá!

rall.

ff

rir!
eyes!

rall.

ff

La-la-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la - lá! La-ri-la-lá! La-ri-la-lá! Ah!

rall.

ff

lá!