

# Draw on Sweet Night

John Wilbye (1574-1638)

Cantus (part 1 of 6)

The second set of English Madrigals (Thomas East press, London, 1609)

Draw on Sweet Night, draw on sweet night, best friend  
un-to those cares That do a - rise from pain-ful me-lan-cho-ly, a - rise  
from pain-ful me - lan - cho-ly. My life so ill through want of com-fort  
fares, That un - to thee, to thee I con-se-crate it whol - ly, that un - to thee, I  
con-se-crate it whol - ly. Sweet Night draw on, sweet night draw on, O sweet night draw on.  
sweet night draw on, sweet night draw on.  
My griefs when they be told To shades and dark-ness, find some ease from pai -  
ning, And while thou all in si-lence dost en-fold, in si -  
lence dost en-fold, and while thou all in si-lence dost en - fold, I then shall have  
best time for my com-plai - ning, I then shall have best time for my com-plai -  
ning, for my com-plai - ning, I then shall have best time for my com - plai - ning.