

# Sakura

Cherry Blossoms

Traditional Japanese Folk Song

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♩ = 96 *Smooth & Flowing*

Tuba

(Luxury Breath)

6

12

A

(Luxury Breath)

18

(Luxury Breath)

24

B

30

Use *Sakura* to help you understand your breathing better. Please notice that the first time through there is a breath at the end of each measure. Next, **A** it's every 2 measures. Then, **B** every 4 measures. The measures designated (Luxury Breath) allow you to take in a slow totally full 4 count breath.

Breathing every measure is usually not the best way to go. (Although, in a slow loud piece, you may very well have to breathe every measure.) Breathing every 4 measures seems like it may push us to the bottom of our lung capacity. Every 2 measures seems to be the way to go. But **don't** take my word for it. Try it for yourself, and determine for yourself which breathing pattern works best for you.

*GO PRACTICE !*