

Romantic and nostalgic, with an amusing twist at the end, "Isle of Capri" is a product of the famed British songwriting team of Will Grosz and Jimmy Kennedy. Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians introduced the ballad in the U.S.A. in 1934, and Xavier Cugat and his orchestra popularized it further through their nightclub appearances and recordings. But it was the raucous swing version by Wingy Manone in 1935 that brought the song its greatest fame and gave the one-armed trumpeter his first hit recording.

Isle Capri

Slowly

p

'Twas on the

F

Isle of Ca-pri that I found her, Be-neath the shade of an old wal-nut
sweet as a rose at the dawn-ing, But some-how fate had-n't meant her for

Gm7 C7 Gm Gm-6 Gm6 C7

tree. Oh, I can still see the flow'rs bloom-ing round her, Where we
me. And though I sailed with the tide in the morn-ing, Still my

F/C C9 1. F 2. F

met on the Isle of Ca-pri. She was as
heart's on the Isle of Ca-pri.

The sheet music features handwritten lyrics in the vocal part. The first section of lyrics is: 'Isle of Ca-pri that I found her, Be-neath the shade of an old wal-nut sweet as a rose at the dawn-ing, But some-how fate had-n't meant her for'. The second section starts with 'tree.' and 'Oh, I can still see the flow'rs bloom-ing round her, Where we'. The third section starts with 'met on the Isle of Ca-pri. She was as'. Above the first section, there are handwritten chords: 'Gm7 C7 Gm Gm-6 Gm6 C7'. Above the second section, there are handwritten chords: 'F/C C9 1. F 2. F'. The vocal line includes several grace notes and slurs. The bass line provides harmonic support with sustained notes and bass line patterns.

Sum-mer-time was near - ly o - ver, Blue I - tal - ian sky a -

Fmaj7

Bm7-5

Bb7

A7

Ab7

Gm7

Gb7

Fmaj7

Eb9

bove;

I said, "La - dy, I'm

a rov - er,

Dm7

G13

C11

Fmaj9

Can you spare a sweet word of

love?"

She whis-pered soft - ly, "It's best not to

smooth and dreamy

C11

lin - ger," And then as I kissed her hand I could see She wore a plain gold-en ring on her

Repeat

F/C

C9

F⁶
x 9

fin - ger; 'Twas good - bye on the Isle of Ca - pri.