

Rainbow Medley - Layout

Cheeky Rainbow Medley – Short Snippets & Visual Cues

Comfortable range: top D5 / Eb5

Front row fabric reveals for colors, suspense before Purple People Eater, gentle reflective ending.

Order / Color	Song / Line	Key / Pitch	Visual Cue / Action	Notes
Intro / Red teaser	Paint It Black – 4 lines: 'I see a red door and I want it painted black...'	D minor	Optional single red fabric raised slowly	Quick 4–5 sec teaser; dramatic chord; wink to audience
Red	Little Red Riding Hood – 4 lines: 'Hey there, Little Red Riding Hood, You sure are lookin' good...'	D minor	Red fabric held up fully by front-row	Lift fabric gradually; bright major chord transition
Orange	Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds – 4 lines: 'Picture yourself in a boat on a river, with tangerine trees and marmalade skies...'	G major	Orange fabric revealed	Gentle dreamy sway or wave; 2 measures piano transition to yellow
Yellow	Yellow Submarine – 4 lines (at least): 'We all live in a yellow submarine, yellow submarine, yellow submarine...'	C major	Yellow fabric revealed	Optional audience sing-along; keep it cheerful
Green	Green, Green – 4 lines: New Christy Minstrels – use familiar lines	A major	Green fabric revealed	Wave fabric slowly
Blue	Blue Skies – 4 lines	D minor	Blue fabric revealed	Relaxed waving of fabric
Indigo	"Indigo Hill" – 4 lines: 'I found my thrill on Indigo Hill...'	C major	Dark Blue fabric revealed	Hold for a moment before transition; optional hum/soft chord
Violet	Purple People Eater – 4 lines (at least): 'I saw the thing a comin' out of the sky... one-eyed, one-horned, flying purple people eater!'	G major	Suspense pause: purple fabric hidden	Pause 2–3 beats; then launch with gusto; big gestures & wave fabric wildly in time to music
Finale / Reflective	Over the Rainbow – 'Somewhere over the rainbow, way up high...'	C major	Hold all fabrics for final chord / gentle fade	Soft, reflective ending; gentle sway, all colours together; invite audience hum or sing along. If in Jamboree or mass choir setting, perhaps front row breaks ranks and carries flags to mingle with crowd

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Lyrics and notes. Short piano transitions between songs.

Paint it Black (Dm)

No flags, but high rock energy

All: I see a red door
And I want it painted black
No colors anymore
I want them to turn black

Li'l Red Riding Hood (Dm)

Red flag only, slow rock energy

All: Owooo!
Who's that I see walkin' in these woods?
Why, it's Little Red Riding Hood

All: Hey there Little Red Riding Hood
You sure are looking good
You're everything a big bad wolf could want

Lucy in the Sky (G)

Orange flag, smooth relaxed, dreamy tempo

Men: Picture yourself in a boat o a river
With tangerine trees and marmalade skies
Somebody calls you, you answer quite slowly
A girl with kaleidoscope eyes

Strong 4-beat transition to match next song

Yellow Submarine (C)

Yellow flag, bright, happy children's song energy

All: We all live in a yellow submarine,
Yellow submarine, yellow submarine,
We all live in a yellow submarine,
Yellow submarine, yellow submarine!

Repeat a couple of times if audience is into it

Green, Green (A)

Green flag, strong folk-rock energy

All: Green, green, it's green they say
On the far side of the hill
Green, green, I'm goin' away
To where the grass is greener still

Smooth, relaxed transition to next song

Blue Skies (Dm)

Blue flag, gentle summer-song feel

All: Blue skies, smilin' at me
Nothin' but blue skies do I see
Bluebirds singin' a song
Nothin' but blue skies from now on

Indigo Hill (Blueberry Hill) (C)

Indigo flag, start with song bridge

All: The wind in the willow played
Love's sweet melody
But all of those vows we made
Were never to be—

All: I found my thrill
On INDIGO Hill,
On INDIGO Hill
Where I found you!

Suspenseful silence – what could they be thinking of next?

Purple People Eater (G)

Purple flag, high, silly energy

All: Well I saw the thing comin' out of the sky
It had one long horn, one big eye
I commenced to shakin' and I said "ooh-eee"
It looks like a purple people eater to me

Chorus: It was a one-eyed, one-horned, flyin' purple people eater
(One-eyed, one-horned, flyin' purple people eater)
A one-eyed, one-horned, flyin' purple people eater
Sure looks strange to me (One eye?)

Chorus: Repeat chorus

Gradually relax as music switches to easy ballad mood

Over the Rainbow (C)

*All flags up, gentle sway, encourage audience to join.
If mood is right, carry flags into audience.*

All: Somewhere over the rainbow, way up high,
There's a land that I heard of, once in a lullaby
Somewhere over the rainbow skies are blue
And the dreams that you care to dream, really do come true.

Women: Someday I'll wish upon a star and wake up
Where the clouds are far behind me

All: Where troubles melt like lemon drops
Away above the chimney tops, that's where you'll find me

Somewhere over the rainbow, bluebirds fly —
Birds fly over the rainbow, why oh why can't I?

Big bow!