Basket

a confessional song of Gertrude Stein’s dog

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Basket

in the voice of Gertrude Stein's Poodle
for Ringo, Ralph and David

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Bossa Nova \( \frac{d}{4} = 92 \) languid

She. They. She, they, she, they. They call. They call and call. They call and call. They call me Basket.

blasé (except when impassioned)

Basket, come, good Basket, come, Good Basket.

Ce qui est la
Panier?

* poco

Basket, cher Basket,

Panier.

Ce qui est la Panier?

We play, we play and play. But I am

more, I am more I am more ______ yes, I am truly, yes, I am truly more. I am

more than a container of tricks.

I know words but I will

*poco f is always quieter than mf
not let on.

She walks, They walk, walk, walk, walk, walk.

For a while they talk, they dan-gle it be fore me, LEASH!

We'll walk, we'll walk and walk; she'll walk me, un-

LEASH!

We'll walk, we'll walk and walk; she'll walk me, un-

LEASH!

Leash!

We'll walk, we'll walk and walk; she'll walk me, un-

free! She'll walk, walk, walk, walk, walk, walk, walk me, walk me! Un - free LEASH!
walk, walk, walk, walk, walk me, walk me, walk me, walk me.

Un - free LEASH!

She spills co - balt blue paint; co - balt blue paint; it

smells like Cha - gall. It's art, art. art. art. art, art,
bark, bark, bark, bark bark bark bark bark bark bark bark bark

good dog! Who is a good dog?

Who is the best? Who is the best dog?

She invites me to her knee!

They call. They call and call. They call and call. They call me

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Basket. Basket, come, good Basket, come,
Problem: Good Basket.

Question: Ce qui est la Panier?

Answer: Good Basket.

- ask why, ask where, asked for, ask, ask, ask

Problem: Good Basket, Cher panier.

Problem: ask ask for the blue, the new-ly blue chew toy. I just painted it blu-er than.

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Droll
mf parlando
It's art, art, art, art, art, bark, bark, bark, bark, bark bark

91
mf parlando
Droll—
It's art, art, art, art, art, bark, bark, bark, bark, bark bark

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94
mf parlando
bark—
(f)Art....
Scold ed— I find slippers, I find

98
mf dolce'
slippers— I slip them I slip them a-way to think. I

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p
gnaw, gnaw, gnaw...
She
can not know about the slip pers.
the secret knowing
Hide. Gnaw
Hide. Gnaw

più dolce
slightly nostalgic

Hide. Gnaw
Bas ket, come,
good Bas ket, come,
Good Bas ket.

Ce qui est la Pan ier?
Good Bas ket.
Cher Bas ket,
Cher pan ier.

We play, we play and play. But I am more, I am more, I am more...

I am truly—yes, I am truly more, yes, I am truly more.

poco a poco

truly, yes, I am truly more, yes, I am truly more, I am more, I am more...