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Roderick Elms' Christmas music ranges from charming and witty arrangements of well-loved traditional carols to new settings and festive orchestral pieces written for this very special season. The charm and immediate appeal of his music has been captivating audiences across the country for many years and this selection represents some of his most popular works, together with a few new ones such as the spectacular suite *Wassail Down the Wind* for organ and orchestra.

FESTIVE FROLIC

Roderick Elms

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| 1 Fanfare da Festa | 1:31 | 10 Merry Gents | 4:08 |
| 2 O Come, O Come Emmanuel* | 4:01 | 11 Wassailing in the Dark | 3:01 |

THREE CAROLS

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| 3 Gabriel's Message** | 3:10 |
| 4 Rocking | 2:12 |
| 5 Angels from the Realms of Glory | 3:40 |
| 6 Sleepers Wake! | 4:12 |
| 7 Cherry Tree Carol | 2:09 |
| 8 Away in a Manger* | 3:19 |

WASSAIL DOWN THE WIND[†]

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| 9 The Boar's Head, Coventry | 5:24 |
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THREE MORE CAROLS

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| 12 Coventry Carol | 3:26 |
| 13 Silent Night | 3:40 |
| 14 In Dulci Jubilo | 1:57 |
| 15 Sheep May Safely Graze | 3:50 |
| 16 Festive Frolic | 3:13 |
| 17 Sleep, Sweet Babe!* | 3:03 |
| 18 We Three Kings of Orient Are | 3:37 |
| 19 Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer* | 2:48 |

Mark Wilde, tenor* • Stuart Nicholson, organ[†]

Joyful Company of Singers (Peter Broadbent, music director)**

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra • Stephen Bell

A detailed track list and full recording details can be found on page 2 of the booklet

Tracks 1, 2, 6, 8-11, 15 and 17-19 are World Première Recordings

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Organ recordings made in The Temple Church on 29th May 2007

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Assistant engineers: Graham Bunce and John Wallace • Post-production: Roderick Elms

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