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# Tristan und Isolde

Isolde ..... Nanny Larsen-Todsen  
 Tristan ..... Gunnar Graarud  
 Brangäne ..... Anny Helm  
 Kurwenal ..... Rudolf Bockelmann  
 König Marke ..... Ivar Andréßen  
 Melot ..... Joachim Sattler  
 Ein Junger Seemann ..... Gustav Rodin  
 Ein Hirt ..... Hans Beer  
 Bayreuth Festival Orchestra and Chorus • Karl Elmendorff

Abridged Bayreuth Festival Recording

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The idea of recording Wagner's operas was first taken seriously in the early 1920s when extracts only were recorded. It was not until 1928 at the Bayreuth Festival that virtually the whole of *Tristan und Isolde* was recorded - Acts 1 and 2 were done substantially complete and only Act 3 was cut, a practice which was usual in those days. Because the great exponents of the title rôles, Melchior and Leider were signed to a rival company, a fine cast of substitutes, led by Rudolf Bockelmann, was assembled. The Bayreuth orchestra and chorus were magnificently conducted by the underrated Karl Elmendorff.

<b>CD 1</b>	<b>58:56</b>	<b>CD 3</b>	<b>79:15</b>
<b>1-6</b> Act I	58:56	<b>1-6</b> Act III	29:15
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<b>CD 2</b>	<b>70:34</b>		
<b>1-9</b> Act II	70:34	<b>15</b> Appendix 2: Motifs and their function in the opera read by Ernest Newman	8:27

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