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Jacques  
OFFENBACH  
(1819-1880)

# Les Contes d'Hoffmann

(The Tales of Hoffmann)

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2:09:49

Hoffmann ..... Raoul Jobin  
Olympia ..... Renée Doria  
Giulietta ..... Vina Bovy  
Antonia ..... Géori-Boué  
The Voice of Antonia's Mother ..... Simone Borghèse  
Stella ..... Hélène Delahaye  
Nicklausse ..... Fanèly Revoil  
The Muse ..... Renée Faure  
Councillor Lindorf ..... Louis Musy  
Coppélius ..... André Pernet  
Chorus and Orchestra of the Opéra-Comique, Paris  
André Cluytens

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*The Tales of Hoffmann* is based on fantastical stories by the German writer E.T.A. Hoffmann. The opera concerns the obsession of the poet Hoffmann for the female ideal, personified by Olympia, Giulietta and Stella, all of whom are unobtainable. Offenbach's music is powerful, melodic and witty. This classic recording preserves the great Opéra-Comique tradition, which Offenbach himself helped to establish. The artists comprise leading singers of the inter-war and immediate post-war French opera scene, Opéra-Comique regulars many of whom also enjoyed illustrious international careers.

CD 1	57:37	CD 2	72:13
1-8 Prologue	25:31	1-8 Act II	24:52
9-19 Act I	32:06	9-18 Act III	37:25
		19-20 Epilogue	9:55

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