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## Ruddigore

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Playing  
Time  
74:19

Sir Ruthven Murgatroyd ..... Martyn Green  
Richard Dauntless ..... Leonard Osborn  
Sir Despard Murgatroyd of Ruddigore ..... Richard Watson  
Old Adam Goodheart ..... Radley Flynn  
Sir Roderick Murgatroyd ..... Darrell Fancourt  
Rose Maybud ..... Margaret Mitchell  
Dame Hannah ..... Ella Halman  
Zorah ..... Deirdre Thurlow  
Mad Margaret ..... Ann Drummond-Grant

Chorus of Officers, Ancestors, Professional Bridesmaids  
and Villagers

Recorded 21 July and 24 August 1950 London

Decca LK 4027/8, London LLP 243/4; mx ARL 429/32

The D'Oyly Carte Opera Chorus and Orchestra  
conducted by Isidore Godfrey

Having already mocked the time-honoured institutions, the Navy (*HMS Pinafore*), the judicature (*Trial by Jury*) and the archetypal English 'flower power' group known as the Aesthetic Movement (*Patience*), in *Ruddigore* W. S. Gilbert ridiculed contemporary obsessions with etiquette and the supernatural. Without being a top G&S favourite, *Ruddigore* is a highly accomplished score with several finely-integrated dramatic moments, including the memorable 'gallery of ghosts' sequence.

1 Overture

6:49

2-18 Act I

44:19

19-28 Act II

23:11

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