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J.S. BACH

Goldberg Variations

Wanda Landowska (1879-1959)

 Playing Time
 72:35

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Wanda Landowska, who continued to perform and record up to her death in 1959, was renowned as the greatest harpsichordist of the first half of the twentieth century, resurrecting the instrument and taking a scholarly approach to the performance of music from the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. This Naxos disc features the first ever recording of Bach's *Goldberg Variations*, of which a contemporary critic wrote: 'One can only speak in superlatives...[her] authoritative command of the instrument... is allied to a striking intellectual and technical grasp of the music'.

