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SCHUMANN • BRAHMS
Violin Sonatas
Yehudi Menuhin (1916-1999)
Hephzibah Menuhin (1920-1981)

Robert SCHUMANN (1810-1856):

Sonata No. 2 in D minor, Op. 121

- 1 Ziemiał langsam – Lebhaft
- 2 Sehr lebhaft
- 3 Leise, einfach
- 4 Bewegt

Recorded by HMV in Paris, 22nd May & 3rd July 1934;
mats. 2PG 1614/21; cat. DB 2264/67

27:58

10:32
4:09
6:56
6:21

Johannes BRAHMS (1833-1897):

Sonata No. 1 in G major, Op. 78

- 5 Vivace ma non troppo
- 6 Adagio
- 7 Allegro molto moderato

Recorded by HMV Australia, 18th September 1940;
mats. 2AA 32/38; cat. DB 5798/801

26:38

10:21
8:10
8:07

Sonata No. 3 in D minor, Op. 108

- 8 Allegro
- 9 Adagio
- 10 Un poco presto e con sentimento
- 11 Allegro

Recorded by HMV in London, 1st July 1936;
mats. 2EA 11785/90; cat. DB 6441/43

20:06

7:18
4:37
2:41
5:29

Following his concert débüt at the age of seven, Yehudi Menuhin enjoyed a prodigious rise to fame. So extraordinary was his ability that his younger piano-playing sister Hephzibah was often overlooked as a musician in her own right. This album is something of a celebration of her talent, as she has arguably the more difficult rôle. These recordings of the D minor Sonatas by Brahms and Schumann were made when the Menuhins were both young and inexperienced, whereas the lyrical Brahms *G major Sonata* was recorded during Yehudi's 1940 tour of Australia. This was an idyllic time for him, and something of that happy feeling finds its way into the performance.

Playing
Time
74:42

