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Pablo Casals
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- 1 POPPER: Chanson villageois, Op. 62, No. 2
- 2 HILLEMACHER: Gavotte tendre
- 3 MACDOWELL: Romance, Op. 35
- 4 DEBUSSY (arr. Choisnel):
Menuet from Petite Suite
- 5 SCHUBERT (arr. Becker):
Moment musical, Op. 94, No. 3/D.780
- 6 SCHUMANN (arr. Becker):
Abendlied, Op. 85, No. 12
- 7 SCHUMANN: Träumerei
- 8 FAURÉ (arr. Casals): Après un rêve, Op. 7, No. 1
- 9 WAGNER: Evening Star from Tannhäuser
- 10 WAGNER (arr. Wilhelmj): Preislied from
Die Meistersinger
- 11 CHOPIN (arr. Sieveking):
Prélude, Op. 28, No. 15 ('Raindrop')
- 12 CHOPIN (arr. Popper):
Nocturne in E flat major, Op. 9, No. 2
- 13 GODARD: Berceuse from Jocelyn
- 14 RUBINSTEIN (arr. Popper):
Melody in F major, Op. 3, No. 1

- 15 BACH (arr. Siloti/Casals): Adagio from
Toccata in C major, BWV 564
- 16 GRANADOS (arr. Cassadó):
Intermezzo from Goyescas
- 17 POPPER: Vito (Spanish Dance, Op. 54, No. 5)
- 18 SAINT-SAËNS: The Swan from
Carnival of the Animals
- 19 BRUCH: Kol Nidrei

All tracks recorded at Victor Studios,
Camden, New Jersey, between 1925 and 1928
Nikolai Mednikoff, piano
(except Track 1: Edouard Gendron, piano)

One of the greatest and by far the best known cellist of his generation, Pablo Casals recorded a series of encore pieces between 1925 and 1930, at the height of his powers. In them we catch much of the essence of Casals's playing: the uninhibited rhythm, the melting combination of tone and phrasing, and a subtly varied vibrato. Newly mastered from the original pressings, this disc includes some performances never issued on 78 rpm record (MacDowell and Bruch), and should come as a revelation to those who know the long-lived cellist only from his later recordings.

A complete tracklist can be found in the booklet

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