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Giacomo
PUCCINI
(1858-1924)

Madama Butterfly

Madama Butterfly	Victoria de los Angeles
B. F. Pinkerton	Giuseppe Di Stefano
Suzuki	Anna Maria Canali
Sharpless	Tito Gobbi
Goro	Renato Ercolani
Kate Pinkerton	Maria Huder

Rome Opera House Chorus and Orchestra
Gianandrea Gavazzeni
Recorded 26th-31st July and 2nd-6th, 8th-9th, 11th and 23rd August, 1954 in the Teatro dell'Opera, Rome

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One of the finest ever recordings of *Madama Butterfly*, this 1954 taping has rarely been out of the catalogue. Victoria de los Angeles, never in finer or fuller voice, sings with radiant beauty, Giuseppe Di Stefano is a thrilling yet moving Pinkerton while Tito Gobbi brings unexpected depth and feeling to the rôle of Sharpless. The recording is further distinguished by idiomatic and characterful performances from the Rome Opera Chorus and Orchestra conducted by Gianandrea Gavazzeni, who was also a noted composer, author and musicologist.

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