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Ivar Hallström was the leading opera composer in Sweden, indeed the creator of Swedish national opera. With *Duke Magnus and the Mermaid*, a romantic operetta in three acts (musical numbers separated by dialogues), Hallström and his librettist consciously created a work of national character. Set in Vadstena Castle, the story concerns a duke who thinks he hears a mermaid's call and throws himself in the water. The composer assigns different musical styles to each character drawing on old-fashioned ballad, virtuosic popular and dance songs, grand Italian romantic opera and authentic folk-style.



Ivar
HALLSTRÖM
(1826-1901)

Duke Magnus and the Mermaid
(Hertig Magnus och sjöjungfrun)

A Romantic Opera in Three Acts sung in Swedish

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SR P2

Duke Magnus	Lars Johansson
Sten Åkeson	Johan Rydh
Brynnolf	Mattias Ermedahl
Peder	Staffan Alveteg
Ingrid	Eva Marklund
Anna	Ingela Bohlin
Lisa	Emelie Sigelius
Ulf	Jonas Olofsson
A monk	Marco Stella
A fisherman	Robin Svanvik

Vadstena Academy Choir

Norrköping Symphony Orchestra • Niklas Willén

CD 1	44:22	CD 2	69:00
1 Overture	6:01	11-12 Act II	39:34
2-13 Act I	38:22	13-20 Act III	29:26

A complete artist and track list can be found in the booklet.

Libretto in Swedish with English translation and dialogue summary included.

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