

Originally released as part of The English Song Series on the Collins Classics label, this recording includes major works by one of the key figures in English vocal music. Although best known today for his larger-scale and symphonic works, Vaughan Williams was throughout his life an enthusiast and collector of English folk music, something that led to a lifelong commitment to writing for voice and piano. The songs here range from the very beginning to the near end of the composer's career and include the famous Housman settings *On Wenlock Edge*.

# Ralph VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

(1872-1958)

1	It was a Lover and his Lass	1:53
2	The Lawyer	1:50
3	The splendour falls	4:16
4	The Water Mill	3:55
5	Tired	2:07
6	Silent Noon	4:32
7	Searching for Lambs	2:22
8	Nocturne	3:50
9	Joy, Shipmate, Joy!	1:06
10	Lord, come away	3:22
11	Come Love, come Lord	3:55
12-16	Five Mystical Songs	17:23
17-22	On Wenlock Edge	22:35
23	Dirge for Fidele	3:50

Anthony Rolfe Johnson, Tenor • Simon Keenlyside, Baritone  
Graham Johnson, Piano • Duke Quartet

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