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Although best known for his symphonic poems such as *Tintagel*, Bax also wrote prolifically for the piano, his instrument from the first. In his twenties he appeared in concerts playing his own music and that of famous European contemporaries whose sounds and influence he was quick to assimilate. On this second release of the complete piano works (Volume 1 is available on Naxos 8.557439), the large scale *Third* and *Fourth Piano Sonatas*, quasi-symphonic in both conception and treatment, are combined with atmospheric miniatures in which Bax absorbs the worlds of Debussy and Scriabin.

Arnold BAX

(1883-1953)

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Piano Sonata No. 3 in G sharp minor

33:56

1 **Allegro moderato**

14:07

2 **Lento moderato**

11:28

3 **Allegro**

8:21

Piano Sonata No. 4 in G major

20:57

4 **Allegro giusto**

7:11

5 **Allegro quasi Andante –****Very delicate throughout** 7:046 **Allegro**

6:41

7 **Water Music**

6:28

8 **Winter Waters**

6:46

9 **Country-Tune**

2:19

10 **O Dame Get Up and
Bake Your Pies**

2:49

Ashley Wass

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