

No artist has been more alive to the enjoyment of life's pleasures than **Pierre-Auguste Renoir** (1841–1919). His paintings reflect a delight in the existence of the world and its beauty, expressed in colours drenched with light and sunshine. On this CD, the world of Renoir is given a musical perspective with a carefully chosen selection of pieces by the finest composers of his time. Inside, Hugh Griffith provides explanatory notes on his life and musical environment.

Jacques Offenbach

[1] Overture to *La Belle Hélène*

5:09

Charles Gounod

Petite Symphonie

[2] Movement 1: Adagio – Allegretto

5:33

Gabriel Fauré

[3] Cantique de Jean Racine

6:25

Ernest Chausson

Symphony in B flat, Op. 20

[4] Movement 1

12:38

Claude Debussy

Préludes, Book 1

[5] Voiles

3:19

[6] Les Collines d'Anacapri

2:58

[7] La Fille aux cheveux de lin

2:13

[8] Danse profane

5:15

Maurice Ravel

Ma Mère l'oye ('Mother Goose')

[9] Les entretiens de la belle et de la bête

('The conversations of Beauty and the Beast')

4:12

[10] Le jardin féerique

('The fairy garden')

3:52

Paul Dukas

[11] Prélude élégiaque

4:30

Jacques Ibert

[12] Scherzetto for solo harp

3:28

Philippe Gaubert

[13] Divertissement grec

4:05

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