

A pioneer in the development of the symphony, Johann Stamitz also composed several concertos, including fourteen for flute. The four flute concertos presented here show what delightful results came from the combination of Stamitz's lively musical imagination with the talents of the highly admired Mannheim orchestra's players for whom they were written. Virtuosity, lyricism and a dash of Bohemian spirit characterise these charming works, in which the emergence of the Classical style from its Baroque antecedents can be heard.

**Johann
STAMITZ**
(1717–1757)

Flute Concerto in D major	17:04	Flute Concerto in D major	16:47
① Allegro	7:35	⑦ Allegro moderato	6:17
② Adagio e cantabile	5:25	⑧ Adagio	5:56
③ Presto non assai	4:04	⑨ Allegro	4:34

Flute Concerto in C major	21:23	Flute Concerto in G major	13:59
④ Allegro assai	7:50	⑩ Allegro	5:08
⑤ Andante poco adagio	6:29	⑪ Adagio	5:16
⑥ Prestissimo	7:04	⑫ Presto	3:35

**Robert Aitken, Flute
St Christopher Chamber Orchestra
Donatas Katkus**

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