

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

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| 1 | Allegro | 7:35 |
| 2 | Adagio e cantabile | 5:25 |
| 3 | Presto non assai | 4:04 |

Flute Concerto in C major 21:23

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| 4 | Allegro assai | 7:50 |
| 5 | Andante poco adagio | 6:29 |
| 6 | Prestissimo | 7:04 |

Flute Concerto in D major 16:47

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| 7 | Allegro moderato | 6:17 |
| 8 | Adagio | 5:56 |
| 9 | Allegro | 4:34 |

Flute Concerto in G major 13:59

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| 10 | Allegro | 5:08 |
| 11 | Adagio | 5:16 |
| 12 | Presto | 3:35 |

Robert Aitken, Flute
St Christopher Chamber Orchestra
Donatas Katkus

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