

The five composers on this disc share the clarity and refinement, brio and wit, and subtle sensuality that permeate French music in the early years of the twentieth century. Each found in literature, the visual arts and the music of Debussy and Ravel touchstones for their own compositions, while expressing their individual personalities. Refinement and pellucid textures characterise Tournier's *Suite*; vigour, elegance and passion Schmitt's *Quintet*, much-loved for its charm and delicacy, matches Roussel's neo-classical *Serenade* and complements Pierné's virtuosic and translucently scored *Variations*.

FRENCH FLUTE CHAMBER MUSIC

Marcel TOURNIER (1879–1951)

Suite, Op. 34 13:46

- 1 I. Soir: Calme et expressif 3:26**
- 2 II. Danse: Naïvement 2:01**
- 3 III. Lied: Assez lent, avec mélancolie 3:22**
- 4 IV. Fête: Animé 4:48**

Florent SCHMITT (1870–1958)
Suite en rocaille, Op. 84 13:41

- 5 I. Sans hâte 3:40**
- 6 II. Animé 3:49**
- 7 III. Sans lenteur (mouvement très modéré de menuet) 3:38**
- 8 IV. Vif 2:31**

Gabriel PIERNÉ (1863–1937)

9 Variations libres et finale, Op. 51 10:52

Jean FRANÇAIX (1912–1997)
Quintette 9:16

- 10 I. Andante tranquillo 2:27**
- 11 II. Scherzo 2:30**
- 12 III. Andante 2:40**
- 13 IV. Rondo 1:30**

Albert ROUSSEL (1869–1937)
Sérénade, Op. 30 15:53

- 14 I. Allegro 4:32**
- 15 II. Andante 6:55**
- 16 III. Presto 4:26**

Mirage Quintet

**Robert Aitken, Flute • Erica Goodman, Harp • Jacques Israelivitch, Violin
 Teng Li, Viola • Winona Zelenka, Cello**



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