



Idil Biret

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Complete Piano Sonatas, Concertos and Symphony Transcriptions

"Biret grasps the size of Beethoven's style. The polyphony is laid out in a relaxed way with little indulgence in point making. She keeps the big line and yet is thankfully sparing in her use of fortissimos. The piano tone is sumptuous. Biret's gentle and almost sensuous sonorities are really captivating. One is reminded that her mentor has been Wilhelm Kempff."

GRAMOPHONE

"Idil Biret gives an impressive performance. A supreme mastery of tempi, sonorities, polyphony and technique permits Biret – a disciple of Alfred Cortot – to embrace all the moods of Beethoven and gives her playing a symphonic depth rarely heard until now."

LE NOUVEL OBSERVATEUR

"Idil Biret has recently recorded Liszt's transcriptions of Beethoven's nine Symphonies for EMI. Her superbly authentic performance of the 5th Symphony, heard at her Herkulesaal recital in Munich, received a thunderous reception."

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Sonata No. 1 in F minor, Op. 2, No. 1

1 Allegro

2 Adagio

3 Menuetto & Trio: Allegretto

4 Prestissimo

24.42

06:17

06:16

03:32

08:36

Sonata No. 19 in G minor, Op. 49, No. 1 08:51

9 Andante

10 Rondo: Allegro

05:17

03:34

Sonata No. 2 in A major, Op. 2, No. 2

5 Allegro vivace

6 Largo appassionato

7 Scherzo & Trio: Allegretto

8 Rondo: Grazioso

33.47

11:44

10:56

04:05

07:03

Sonata No. 20 in G major, Op. 49, No. 2 10.03

11 Allegro, ma non troppo

12 Tempo di Menuetto

05:21

04:42

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