

**Idil Biret****BEETHOVEN EDITION · 2** Symphonies 1, 2 (Vol. 1) **8.571252****Idil Biret**
BEETHOVEN EDITION · 2**Complete Piano Sonatas, Concertos and Symphony Transcriptions**

"From the outset of the 1st Symphony one feels that Idil 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 her big line, and yet is thankfully sparing in her use of fortissimos. I especially admire how she is able to give the impression of a live performance in the Larghetto from the 2nd, and here, as in other slow movements, one is reminded that her mentor has been Wilhelm Kempff... This is a remarkable achievement."

GRAMOPHONE

"Universally gifted pianists like Idil Biret, who do not limit themselves to a cleverly selected repertoire are nowadays very rare... With the recent release of the Beethoven / Liszt Symphonies international recognition should be secure for her."

FONOFORUM**Symphony No. 1 in C, Op. 21 (transcr. Franz Liszt)****26.32**

1	Allegro molto - Allegro con brio	08:22
2	Andante cantabile con moto	07:61
3	Menuetto: Allegro molto vivace	03:42
4	Adagio - Allegro molto e vivace	06:27

Symphony No. 2 in D, Op. 36 (transcr. Franz Liszt)**37.53**

5	Adagio molto - Allegro con brio	12:12
6	Larghetto	15:10
7	Scherzo: Allegro	03:51
8	Allegro molto	06:41

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