

A central figure in the arts in France during his lifetime, Déodat de Sévérac stressed the importance of distinctive regional character in music. He derived his inspiration from Catalonia and Provence, and the genial warmth of expression in his work is reflected in the radiant imagery of *Baigneuses au soleil* which was dedicated to Alfred Cortot. The two groups of *En vacances*, the first described as little romantic pieces of moderate difficulty, are dedicated to friends, relations or colleagues, while the Fantasy *Sous les lauriers roses* is dedicated to the memory of the composer's teachers. Volume 1 (8.555855) of Jordi Masó's survey is a *Penguin Guide* *** key recommendation.



Déodat de SÉVÉRAC

(1872–1921)

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Jordi Masó, Piano



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