

Pierre Rode's music represents the full flowering of the French violin school founded by his mentor Giovanni Battista Viotti. Naxos's recordings of his 24 *Caprices* (8.570958) and *Violin Concertos Nos. 7, 10 and 13* (8.570469) have received critical accolades, with *Nos. 3, 4 and 6* to be released on 8.570767. The virtuosic *12 Etudes* heard here run the gamut from graceful to vigorously dramatic, testing the artistry and technique of the solo violinist to the utmost. The three *Duos* present fewer technical demands, concentrating instead on lyricism, elfin sprightliness and dynamic contrasts. Award-winning Nicolas Koeckert, who performs regularly as a soloist with leading orchestras from around the world, is joined on this recording by his father, the internationally-renowned chamber musician Rudolf Koeckert.

**Pierre
RODE**
(1774–1830)

12 Etudes

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| 1 No. 1 in G major: Andante | 2:26 |
| 2 No. 2 in D minor: Allegro moderato | 1:19 |
| 3 No. 3 in E flat major: Vivace | 1:30 |
| 4 No. 4 in D minor: Moderato | 1:54 |
| 5 No. 5 in B flat major: Andantino
(Duetto cantabile) | 2:33 |
| 6 No. 6 in E major: Presto | 1:56 |
| 7 No. 7 in F major: Adagio – Moderato | 3:44 |
| 8 No. 8 in B minor: Allegro risoluto | 2:09 |
| 9 No. 9 in G major: Allegro moderato | 1:57 |
| 10 No. 10 in F minor: Adagio – Allegro
agitato | 2:35 |

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| 11 No. 11 in C major: Fantasia – Allegro
moderato – Adagio – Vivace – | 3:50 |
| 12 No. 12 in A minor: Allegro maestoso | 3:27 |
| Duos, Book 1: No. 1 in E flat major | |
| 13 I. Moderato | 6:39 |
| 14 II. Rondo: Allegro | 5:20 |
| Duos, Book 1: No. 2 in G major | |
| 15 I. Maestoso | 6:10 |
| 16 II. Rondo | 5:06 |
| Duos, Book 2: No. 2 in C major | |
| 17 I. Allegro con moto | 5:31 |
| 18 II. Adagio – Andante con variazione
(un poco allegretto) | 9:09 |



Nicolas Koeckert, Violin
Rudolf Koeckert, Violin 13–18



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