

Mozart's friend Franz Xaver Dussek (in whose summer villa he completed *Don Giovanni*) was a pianist, celebrated teacher and the leading composer of instrumental music in Prague. Like his compatriot Wanhal, Dussek completed his musical training in Vienna and, unsurprisingly, his works reflect the strong influence of composers such as Hofmann, Haydn and Dittersdorf. Dussek's symphonies, most of which appear to have been composed in the 1760s and 1770s, are works of great charm and vivacity, cleverly orchestrated and full of striking melodic ideas as this recording amply demonstrates.



**Franz Xaver  
DUSSEK**  
(1731–1799)

**Sinfonia in G major  
(Altnern G4)**

<b>1</b> Allegro	<b>4:28</b>
<b>2</b> Andante	<b>3:04</b>
<b>3</b> Presto	<b>2:14</b>

**Sinfonia in B flat major  
(Altnern Bb2)**

<b>4</b> Allegro con spirito	<b>4:18</b>
<b>5</b> Andante	<b>3:17</b>
<b>6</b> Allegro assai	<b>3:12</b>

**Sinfonia in A major  
(Altnern A3)**

<b>7</b> Largo maestoso – Allegro	<b>4:08</b>
<b>8</b> Andante	<b>4:38</b>
<b>9</b> Allegro assai	<b>2:23</b>

**Sinfonia in B flat major  
(Altnern Bb3)**

<b>10</b> Allegro e vivo	<b>6:05</b>
<b>11</b> Andante	<b>4:48</b>
<b>12</b> Minuetto e Trio	<b>3:46</b>
<b>13</b> Allegro assai	<b>6:25</b>

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