

The comic-heroic romp *Matilde di Shabran* was Rossini's last commission for the theatres of Rome, the city where he'd had great successes such as *Il barbiere di Siviglia*. Rossini took advantage of the agile, sparkling style of librettist Jacopo Ferretti to create a narrative in which the ferocious Corradino, a declared misogynist, is introduced to the resourceful Matilde, who succeeds in melting his iron heart and winning his love. This premiere recording revives the original 1821 Rome version, which was conducted at the last minute by Paganini, and caused brawling in the streets between Rossini's admirers and detractors.

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**Gioachino
ROSSINI**
(1792–1868)

ROSSINI
in WILDBAD
MUSICALE OPERATIVA

MATILDE DI SHABRAN

ossia Bellezza, e cuor di ferro

Melodramma giocoso (opera semiseria) in two acts (original Rome version, 1821)

Libretto by Jacopo Ferretti (1784–1852) • Sung in Italian

Corradino Michele Angelini, Tenor
Matilde di Shabran Sara Blanch, Soprano
Raimondo Lopez Shi Zong, Bass
Edoardo Lopez Victoria Yarovaya, Contralto
Aliprando Emmanuel Franco, Baritone
Isidoro Giulio Mastrototaro, Baritone
Contessa d'Arco Lamia Beuque, Mezzo-soprano
Ginardo Ricardo Seguel, Bass-baritone
Egolo / Rodrigo Julian Henao Gonzalez, Tenor

Górecki Chamber Choir (Marcin Wróbel, Chorus Master • Mateusz Prendota, Artistic Director)

Passionart Orchestra (Janusz Wierzgacz, Director)

José Miguel Pérez-Sierra

Gianluca Ascheri, Music Assistant and Fortepiano

CD 1 ① Sinfonia 9:30 CD 2 ①–⑦ Act I (conclusion) 55:34 CD 3 ①–⑦ Act II 74:25
②–②① Act I (beginning) 57:56

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