

SEASONS OF INDIA

BALUJI SHRIVASTAV

Baluji Shrivastav plays the seasons of the Indian calendar. Baluji expresses the power and beauty of nature in seven ragas played on sitar, surbahar, dilruba, swarmandel, and accompanied on percussion by Sukhvinder Singh.

MONSOON - VARSHA

1. Raag Shuddha Malhar

Movements: alaab, jod, jhalla - 12:31

2. Shuddha Malhar

*Gat original composition Varsha Swagatam
"Greetings to the Rain". 19 beat cycle called
beentaal after Baluji's son Benjamin - 9:41*

AUTUMN - HEMANT

3. Raag Hemant

*Movements: droot gat and jhalla in rupak taal (7 beats).
Gat original composition Patjhar "Falling Leaves" - 16:15*

WINTER - SHARAT

4. Raag Bhairav

*Movements: droot gat and jhalla in
tintaal (16 beats) - 8:09*

SPRING - VASANT

5. Raag Vasant

*Original madhya laya (medium tempo)
composition Abhilaasha "Passion of Spring"
in tintaal (16 beats) - 8:28*

LATE SPRING - SHISHIR

6. Raag Shri

*Movements: alaap, original madhya laya
(medium tempo) composition Shiva Bhakti.
"Shiva's Dance at Sunset", followed by fast
movement droot gat and jhalla. Iktaal (12 beats) - 13:42*

SUMMER - GRISHMA

7. Raag Darbari

*Movements: Original madhya laya (medium tempo)
composition Chandan. Jhaptaal (10 beats) - 9:26*



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