

MILI ALEKSEYEVICH BALAKIREV

COMPLETE PIANO WORKS • 2

Mili Alekseyevich Balakirev was the influential leader of the Russian 'Mighty Handful' of composers that set the standard by which others were judged. Revealing both Balakirev's admiration of Chopin and love of music with a deeply Russian character, this programme ranges widely from new discoveries such as the early *Nocturne in G sharp minor* to one of his last pieces, the heroic *Seventh Waltz*. There are also beautifully simple gems such as the *Chant du Pêcheur* and works of technical brilliance such as the *Valse de concert* and the magnificent and visionary *Second Nocturne*.

1	WALTZ NO. 1 IN G MAJOR (Valse di Bravura)	07:39
2	Nocturne No. 1 in B flat minor	05:30
3	WALTZ NO. 2 IN F MINOR (Valse Mélancolique)	05:24
4	WALTZ NO. 3 IN D MAJOR (Valse-impromptu)	05:11
5	Nocturne No. 2 in B minor	07:44
6	WALTZ NO. 4 IN B FLAT MAJOR (Valse de Concert)	05:59
7	Nocturne No. 3 in D minor	06:13
8	WALTZ NO. 5 IN D FLAT MAJOR	06:55
9	Nocturne in G sharp minor *	05:57
10	Fantasiestück in D flat major	04:05
11	WALTZ NO. 6 IN F SHARP MINOR	05:29
12	CHANT DU PÊCHEUR IN B MINOR	03:31
13	WALTZ NO. 7 IN G SHARP MINOR	06:09

TOTAL TIME: 75:45

* WORLD PREMIÈRE RECORDING



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