

George Enescu (1881–1955) is one of the great composers, although the world has yet to realise the extent of his achievements. Enescu's small published *œuvre* of 33 opus numbers belies the amount of music he produced: he composed prolifically but, as he was both a perfectionist and a busy performer, much of his music is still unknown. This CD reveals solo, chamber and *concertante* pieces featuring the violin, played by his fellow Romanian Sherban Lupu, who understands Enescu's idiom like few other musicians.



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## THE UNKNOWN ENESCU Volume One: Music for Violin

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1 <i>Aubade</i> (1899)                                            | 3:46  | 14 <i>Légende</i> (1891)                                 | 4:21     |
| 2 <i>Pastorale, Menuet triste et Nocturne</i> (1900; arr. Lupu)** | 13:38 | 15 <i>Sérénade en sourdine</i> (c. 1915–20)              | 4:21     |
| 5 <i>Sarabande</i> (c. 1910–15)*                                  | 4:43  | 16 <i>Fantaisie concertante</i> (1932; arr. Lupu)*       | 11:04    |
| 6 <i>Sérénade lointaine</i> (1903)                                | 4:49  | 17 <i>Nocturne 'Villa d'Avrayen'</i> (1931–36)*          | 6:11     |
| 7 <i>Andantino malinconico</i> (1951)                             | 2:15  | 18 <i>Hora Unirei</i> (1917)                             | 1:40     |
| 8 <i>Prelude and Gavotte</i> (1898)*                              | 10:21 | 19 <i>Aria and Scherzino</i> (c. 1898–1908; arr. Lupu)** | 5:12     |
| 10 <i>Airs dans le genre roumain</i> (1926)*                      | 7:12  |                                                          |          |
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Sherban Lupu, violin 1–20,  
conductor 2–4, 16–17  
Masumi Per Rostad, viola 17  
Marin Cazacu, cello 6  
Dmitry Kouzov, cello 8, 9, 15

Ian Hobson, piano 1, 8, 9, 14, 17, 18  
Ilinca Dumitrescu, piano 6, 7  
Samir Golescu, piano 8, 9  
Enescu Ensemble  
of the University of Illinois 2–4, 19–20

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