

## BEETHOVEN

## Complete Piano Sonatas Boris Giltburg

Boris Giltburg is lauded worldwide as a deeply sensitive, insightful and compelling interpreter, with critics praising his impassioned approach to performance. This project to record all of Beethoven's 32 piano sonatas is a personal exploration for Giltburg, driven by curiosity and his profound respect for the composer. These exceptional performances received widespread critical acclaim upon their original digital release and this premiere CD release includes extended personal and informative booklet notes written by the pianist. From the vivid energy of the early sonatas, through the dark passions and enchanted lyricism of Beethoven's middle period, to the awe-inspiring transcendence of the final sonatas – this cycle runs the full gamut of human emotion.

'Giltburg finds a wealth of detail in Beethoven's figurations. The racing high spirits of the *Scherzo* are exhilarating... Giltburg's astringent objectivity goes a long way. His restraint and understatement in the *Adagio sostenuto* allow the music to speak with unencumbered poetic directness.' – *Gramophone* on Volume 4 (Piano Sonatas Nos. 12–15)

"These interpretations are enormously pleasurable and at times revelatory."

- BBC Music Magazine on Volumes 8 and 9 (Piano Sonatas Nos. 27–32)

'Giltburg has succeeded in creating another outstanding Beethoven CD.'
- Pizzicato on Volume 8 (Piano Sonatas Nos. 27–29)

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