One of the most wide-ranging and prolific of Norwegian composers, Geirr Tveitt studied in Leipzig, Vienna and Paris with teachers including Honegger, Villa-Lobos and Wellesz, but his cosmopolitan style also sank deep roots into the soil of his family's native Hardanger region of western Norway. As much as four-fifths of Tveitt's large output was lost in a devastating fire at his Hardanger home in 1970; surviving music fortunately includes these richly imaginative orchestral suites among his very few works to draw directly on the Hardanger folk tradition.

Geirr **TVEITT** (1908-1981)



NORSK KULTURRÅD

Hundrad Hardingtonar, Op. 151 ('A Hundred Hardanger Tunes')

1 – 15 Suite No. 1 (Nos. 1–15)

31:39

16 – **30** Suite No. 4 'Brudlaups-suiten' ('Wedding Suite') (Nos. 46-60) *

28:56

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