Vaughan Williams was able to establish his own distinctive musical voice relatively early in his career. While his *Phantasy Ouintet* and *G minor Ouartet*, conceived before 1914, show contemporary French influence, they are immediately identifiable as his and display a characteristically beautiful serenity still found in the A minor Quartet written during the 1940s.

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	Phantasy Quintet (1912)	15:06
1	Prelude: Lento ma non troppo	4:07
2	Scherzo: Prestissimo	4:09
3	Alla Sarabanda: Lento	2:50
4	Burlesca: Allegro moderato	4:00
	String Quartet No. 1 in G minor (1908, rev. 1921)	29:36
5	Allegro moderato	9:15
6	Minuet and Trio: Tempo di minuetto	4:48
7	Romance: Andante sostenuto	7:35
8	Finale: Rondo Capriccioso - Allegro molto	7:59
	String Quartet No. 2 in A minor (1942–43)	21:46
9	Prelude: Allegro appassionato	3:52
10	Romance: Largo	9:31
11	Scherzo: Allegro	3:35
12	Epilogue: Andante sostenuto	4:48

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