

Great Italian Operas

This set features two classic performances from the golden age of the Covent Garden Opera Company and a sparkling *Falstaff* from the Edinburgh Festival, combining masterworks of Italian opera by Puccini, Verdi and Rossini into one outstanding collection. Carefully remastered and restored, the recordings feature a stellar cast of Italian singers and conductors, including renowned soprano Renata Tebaldi, said by Toscanini to possess 'the voice of an angel'.

PUCCINI *TOSCA* — 1955

Renata Tebaldi (Flora Tosca) · Ferruccio Tagliavini (Mario Cavaradossi) · Tito Gobbi (Scarpia) · David Tree (Spoletta) · Ronald Lewis (Sciarrone)
The Covent Garden Opera Chorus and Orchestra / Francesco Molinari-Pradelli

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ROSSINI *IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA* — 1960

Rolando Panerai (Figaro) · Teresa Berganza (Rosina) · Luigi Alva (Il conte d'Almaviva) · Fernando Corena (Bartolo) · Ivo Vinco (Don Basilio)
The Covent Garden Opera Chorus and Orchestra / Carlo Maria Giulini

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VERDI *FALSTAFF* — 1955

Fernando Corena (Sir John Falstaff) · Anna Maria Rovere (Alice Ford) · Fernanda Cadoni (Meg Page) · Oralia Dominguez (Mistress Quickly)
Walter Monachesi (Ford) · Eugenia Ratti (Nannetta) · Glyndebourne Opera Chorus · Royal Philharmonic Orchestra / Carlo Maria Giulini

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