6

ICHAIKOVSKY: Symphony No. 4

It was with the Fourth Symphony, a work of radical conception, that Tchaikovsky came into his own as a symphonist. Written during the turmoil of his catastrophic marriage, the work is dominated by a Fate motif symbolising the 'inexorable power that hampers our search for happiness'. The wildly popular fantasy overture after Shakespeare, Romeo and Juliet, is captivating and poignant, and one of the composer's most loved works. These classic Vox recordings by the Utah Symphony Orchestra were originally released in 1974, and remain much admired to this day for conductor Maurice Abravanel's fresh and direct interpretations.

The Elite Recordings for Vox by legendary producers Marc Aubort and Joanna Nickrenz are considered by audiophiles to be amongst the finest sounding examples of orchestral recordings

Pyotr Il'yich TCHAIKOVSKY (1840-1893)

Symphony 140. 4 m r mmor, Op. 30 (1077)	71.17
I. Andante sostenuto – Moderato con anima	18:10
2 II. Andantino in modo di canzona	8:48
3 III. Scherzo: Pizzicato ostinato – Allegro	5:35
4 IV. Finale: Allegro con fuoco	8:42
S .	

5 Romeo and Juliet: Fantasy Overture after **Shakespeare** (Final version, 1880)

Symphony No. 4 in F minor Op. 36 (1877)

Utah Symphony Orchestra Maurice Abravanel

New 192 kHz / 24-bit high definition transfers of the original Elite Recordings analogue master tapes

Producers: Marc Aubort and Joanna Nickrenz . Engineering: Elite Recordings Tape transfers: Mike Clements • Re-mastering engineer: Andrew Walton Booklet notes: Richard Freed

Cover photograph: Grand Cascade and Sea Canal in Peterhof, St Petersburg, Russia (www.dreamstime.com)



ISRC STEREO **Playing Time** 61:02



41.14

19:44

www.naxos.com

& © 2023 Naxos Rights (Europe) Ltd

1974 Vox Productions, Inc.

