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LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

Complete Sonatas for violin & piano

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As well as being a virtuoso soloist and improviser on the piano, Beethoven was also a competent violinist – an experience he put to good use in his ten sonatas for violin and piano. Isabelle Faust and Alexander Melnikov have long cherished the project of recording them all. The immense care they have taken over documentation and performance has enabled them to get as close as possible to the composer's intentions.



Artists

- Isabelle Faust
Violin
- Alexander Melnikov
Piano

Composers

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