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# THE VERY BEST OF TCHAIKOVSKY

*“Truly there would be reason to go mad, if there were no music”*

(Tchaikovsky)

Fêted throughout Europe and America in his lifetime and still one of the most frequently played composers in today's concert hall, Tchaikovsky was unquestionably the most gifted melodist in all of Russian music. All his most famous tunes can be enjoyed on this outstanding 2 CD compilation, which features his charming ballets, his dazzling Symphonies and his beloved Piano Concertos. Ideal for newcomer and collector alike, this is the perfect way to experience one of the most popular composers of all time.

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- 1** Romeo and Juliet Overture: Love Theme **2** Serenade for Strings: Pezzo in forma di Sonatina  
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**5** Symphony No. 4: Allegro con fuoco **6** Swan Lake: Scene (Swan Theme) **7** String Quartet No. 1: Andante cantabile  
**8** Symphony No. 5: Valse **9** Sleeping Beauty: Adagio: Pas d'action **10** Chanson triste **11** Violin Concerto: Finale

## Compact Disc 2

- 1** Piano Concerto No. 1: Allegro non troppo e molto maestoso **2** Nutcracker: Danse de la fée  
**3** Nutcracker: Danse des mirlitons **4** None but the lonely heart  
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**7** Eugene Onegin: Lensky's Aria **8** Swan Lake: Waltz **9** The Seasons: June **10** 1812 Overture



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