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Anthology

Celtic and British Songs and Carols

Anonymous 4, Andrew Lawrence-King

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Songs and Carols from the British Isles

harmonia mundi Christmas edition 2011: a special edition of ten CDs exclusively devoted to Christmas! Andrew Lawrence-King's virtuoso harp joins the voices of Anonymous 4 in a wealth of Yuletide music, favourite and rare, from the British Isles. Juxtaposing pagan and Christian traditions, the programme interweaves English, Irish, Scottish and Welsh ballads and carols with well-loved pieces by John Tavener, Benjamin Britten, and Peter Maxwell Davies.

'Sumptuous Christmas sounds'

San Francisco Chronicle (concert review)

This title was released for the first time in 2003.



Composers

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TRADITIONAL IRISH

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JOHN TAVENER

- **The Lamb** (3'01)

ANONYMOUS 17TH CENTURY

- **A Scots Lilt** (3'33)

TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH

- **Balulalow** (3'37)

RICHARD RODNEY BENNETT [1936-]

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TRADITIONAL ENGLISH

- **The holly and the ivy** (3'14)

TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH

- **The Reel of Tullochgorum** (3'45)

TRADITIONAL ENGLISH

- **I saw three ships** (2'54)
PETER MAXWELL DAVIES [1934-]
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- **Air: Lá fuar geimhreadh** (4'13)
- **An teicheadh go hEipt** (3'21)
GEOFFREY BURGON [1941-]
- **A god, and yet a man?** (1'25)
KING HENRY VIII [1491-1547]
- **Grene growith the holy** (3'51)
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- **The Cherry Tree Carol** (2'38)
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