



Stylus Phantasticus

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Choir & Organ (David Ponsford - 01.07.2011)

CHOIR ORGAN

This CD juxtaposes north German stylus phantasticus pieces with variations, on a fine modern 3-manual 35-stop organ tuned in Werckmeister III temperament. The Praeludia/toccatas by Bruhns (G major), Buxtehude (BuxWV 155), attrib. Böhm (G minor) and J.S. Bach (BWV 564) are given lively, imaginative performances, with the unequal temperament bringing the diatonic keys and their harmonies vividly alive. The intimate colours of the organ are well demonstrated in Sweelinck (Mein junges Leben and More Palatino), Böhm (Jesu, du bist allzu schöne) and Bach (O Gott, du frommer Gott), although Mein junges Leben lacked creativity and charm.