

Playlist
French Romantic Operas
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1. Jules Massenet: *Thais*

Decca 289 466 766 2, 2000
Orchestre National Bordeaux Aquitaine
Yves Abel, Conductor
Renee Fleming Soprano, Thomas Hampson Baritone, Renaud Capucon Solo
Violin for the meditation.
[01] Disc 1, Act two, track 24 Meditation Interlude 5'46"

2. Charles Gounod: *Faust*

Teldec Classical 1994 4509-90872-2
Orchestra of Welsh National Opera
Carlo Rizzi, Conductor
Cecilia Gasdia Soprano, Jerry Hadley Tenor, Samuel Ramey Bass-Baritone
[02] Disc 1, Track 3 "Un Bouquet" (Marguerite) 5'34" (The Jewel song)

3. Georges Bizet: *Les Pecheurs de perles (The Pearlfishers)*

Teldec Classics Digital recording D 134 755 1993
Orchestra of Welsh Opera
Carlo Rizzi, Conductor
Jerry Hadley Tenor, Thomas Hampson Baritone
[03] Act 1, Track 5 "Au fond du temple saint", Duet Zurga and Nadir, 7'34"

4. Leo Delibes: *Lakme*

EMI France CDCB 556569 1998
Orchestre du Capitole de Toulouse
Michel Plasson, Conductor
Natalie Dessay Coloraturo-soprano, Gregory Kunde Tenor, Jose Van Dam
Baritone
[04] a. Disc 1, Act 1, Track 5 Duet Lakme/Mallika, 5'54"
[05] b. Disc 2, Act 2, Track 2 "Bell song" Lakme/Nilakantha/choir, 8'31"

5. Jules Massenet: *Werther*

Erato 0630-17790-2 1997
Orchestre De l'Opera Nationale De Lyon
Kent Nagano, Conductor
Jerry Hadley Tenor, Anne Sofie von Otter Mezzo-Soprano
[06] Disc 2, Act 4, Track 12, Duet "Werther! Rien!" 5'12"
[07] Disc 2, Act 4, Track 13, Duet "Et moi, Werther, je t'aime" 3'51"

6. Charles Gounod: *Romeo et Juliette*

EMI Classics 7243 5 65290 21 1969, digital remastering 1994

Orchestre National De l'Opera De Paris

Alain Lombard, Conductor

Mirella Freni Soprano, Franco Corfelli Tenor

[08] Disc 2, Track 18 Death duet: "Console-toi, pauvre ame" 5'16"

7. Ambroise Thomas: *Mignon*

Sony Classics SM3K 34590 1978

Philharmonia Orchestra

Antonio De Almeida, Conductor

Marilyn Horne Mezzo-Soprano

[09] a. Disc 1, Act 1, Track 1 Ouverture 8'03"

[10] b. Disc 1, Act 1, Track 16 "Connais-tu le pays", Mignon's song, 6'07"

8. Jules Massenet: *Manon*

Sony Classical S3K 90458 2001

Orchestre De National De Paris

Jesus Lopes-Cobos , Conductor

Renee Fleming Soprano, Marcello Alvarez Tenor

[11] Disc 3, Act 5, Tracks 16 and 17, Duet "Ah! Le beau diamant" 4'15"