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VOLGA RHAPSODY • LARA'S
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• YUROCHKA
• THE LINDEN
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MONITOR INTERNATIONAL COMPACT DISC

RUSSIAN FAVORITES

Founded in 1970, the fifty-piece Kovriga Balalaika Orchestra was organized and nurtured into one of the finest orchestras of its kind. Mr. Paul Kauriga, the conductor, is also director, teacher, arranger and composer for the orchestra; he is the moving spirit behind the ensemble of fine musicians brought together to record this album of Russian folk music.

The orchestra utilizes various sizes of balalaikas and domras, in addition to accordions, piano, bells, xylophone, timpani, percussion, oboes and flute. The repertoire ranges from traditional Russian folk melodies to Paganini's intricate Caprice in A minor and various other major symphonic pieces arranged for folk instruments.

1. VOLGA RHAPSODY

Based on the beautiful themes from the Volga region, music by Mikhail Shalayev.

2. GREAT GATE OF KIEV

From the well-known "Pictures at an Exhibition" by M. Mussorgsky.

3. VANKA-VSTANKA

Variations on a Russian folk song. A "Vanka-Vstanka" is a wooden Russian doll which always stands upright no matter how you try to knock it over.

4. UKRAINIAN FANTASY

A potpourri based on such famous folksongs as *Bandura*, *Doshchik* and others.

5. LARA'S THEME

From the film "Dr. Zhivago"; music by Maurice Jarré.

6. YUROCHKA (Georgie)

A Belorussian flirtation dance arranged by Paul Kauriga.

7. THE LINDEN TREE

Fantasy on the Russian folk theme "Lipa Vekovaya"; music by P. Kulikov.

8. NEAR THE VALLEY

A beautiful old traditional Russian folk song "Pri dolinushke stoyala" arranged by Paul Kauriga.

RUSSIAN FAVORITES

The Kovriga Balalaika Orchestra
conducted by Paul Kauriga

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| 2. GREAT GATE OF KIEV | 7:35 |
| (from "Pictures at an Exhibition" by M. Mussorgsky) | |
| 3. VANKA-VSTANKA | 6:00 |
| 4. UKRAINIAN FANTASY | 4:10 |
| 5. LARA'S THEME | 7:13 |
| (from the film "Dr. Zhivago") | |
| 6. YUROCHKA (Georgie) | 5:28 |
| 7. THE LINDEN TREE | 5:19 |
| 8. NEAR THE VALLEY | 5:09 |

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