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SMETANA: Má vlast



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Amongst a pantheon of great Czech composers it is Bedřich Smetana who is revered as the musical personification of his country's national spirit, and the founder of its modern musical character. Composed after the onset of Smetana's incurable deafness, *Má vlast* (My Fatherland) is an unprecedented cycle of six related symphonic poems that evokes ancient Czech legends and celebrates the majestic beauty of the country's landscapes. Acclaimed with 'unending storms of applause' at its 1882 premiere, *Má vlast* echoes the unique characteristics that form the living heart and soul of the Czech nation.

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**Bedřich
SMETANA**
(1824–1884)

	Má vlast (My Fatherland) (1872–79)	75:57
1	Vyšehrad (The High Castle)	14:30
2	Vltava (Moldau)	12:11
3	Šárka	9:56
4	Z českých luhů a hájů (From Bohemia's Woods and Fields)	12:02
5	Tábor	12:47
6	Blaník	14:32

St. Louis Symphony Orchestra
Walter Susskind

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