

GEORGE GERSHWIN

PORGY AND BESS



“One of the most important opera recordings of recent years” was *Opera* magazine’s verdict on this *Porgy and Bess*, which immortalised Glyndebourne Festival Opera’s first-ever production of Gershwin’s masterpiece. “Simon Rattle treats *Porgy* as one of the great opera scores of the 20th century ... the entire performance bristles with a theatrical immediacy ... The cast is a great one, led by Willard White, a dark-voiced, dignified, ultimately noble Porgy ... and Cynthia Haymon’s lustrous Bess ... This is a great souvenir of a great Glyndebourne event.”

Porgy	SIR WILLARD WHITE
Bess	CYNTHIA HAYMON
Clara	HAROLYN BLACKWELL
Sporting Life	DAMON EVANS
Jake	BRUCE HUBBARD
Serena	CYNTHIA CLAREY
Maria	MARIETTA SIMPSON
Crown	GREGG BAKER

Glyndebourne Chorus
London Philharmonic Orchestra
SIR SIMON RATTLE

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