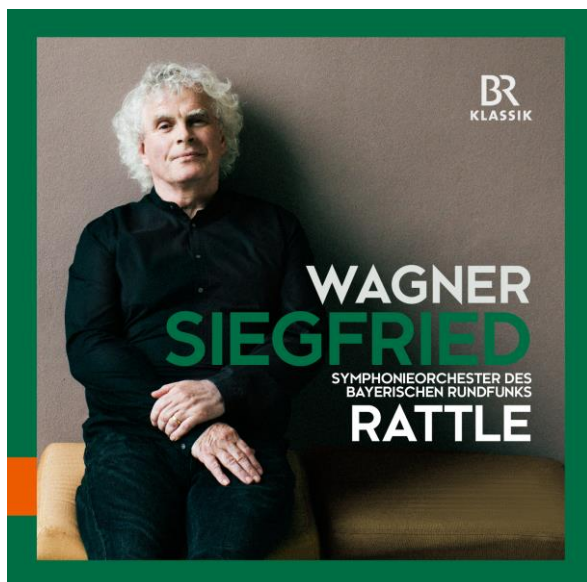


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RICHARD WAGNER – SIEGFRIED

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Sir Simon Rattle, Conductor

Live recording: Munich, Isarphilharmonie im Gasteig HP8, 03.–
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- **Booklet:** in German / in English, with Libretto
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Following the 2015 release of "The Rhinegold" – the *Vorabend* or „preliminary evening“ of Richard Wagner's "The Ring of the Nibelung" – and of "The Valkyrie" in 2019, BR-KLASSIK is now releasing "Siegfried" as the second day of the enthusiastically received tetralogy under Sir Simon Rattle - recorded live on February 3 and 5, 2023 at Munich's Isarphilharmonie im Gasteig. With "The Rheingold", Rattle had already decisively refuted the longstanding claim that he and Wagner were not a good match, and with "The Walküre", he dispelled any remaining doubts. His recent performance of "Siegfried" – with the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra and a first-class lineup of Wagner singers – proves yet again how well the conductor understands and is able to interpret Wagner's music. Now, just a few months after the live event, this powerful and immensely popular music drama has been released on three outstanding CDs.

Wagner's "Siegfried" tells the story of how the hero forges his own sword, gains invulnerability by slaying the dragon and bathing in its blood, and finally conquers Brünnhilde. The outstanding soloists include Simon O'Neill (Siegfried), Peter Hoare (Mime), Michael Volle (The Wanderer/Wotan), and Anja Kampe (Brünnhilde). Moreover, orchestral highlights of "Siegfried" such as the lyrical "Forest Murmurs" or the prelude to Act Three are brilliantly performed by the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra. As Simon Rattle says: "Siegfried" contains some of the most dramatic, richly-coloured and enchanting music Wagner ever



wrote. I am looking forward immensely to the continuation of our 'Ring', together with the greatest singers one could ever wish for."

- Rattle's "Siegfried" was enthusiastically received by press and public alike. His concert performances of the "Ring" will end with "Twilight of the Gods" in Munich's new Isarphilharmonie im Gasteig HP8
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- Richard Wagner's "Siegfried" continues the collaboration by Simon Rattle and the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra on the "Ring of the Nibelung"
- Featuring outstanding Wagner singers, including Simon O'Neill (Siegfried), Peter Hoare (Mime), Michael Volle (Der Wanderer/Wotan) and Anja Kampe (Brünnhilde)
- Exciting live atmosphere, featuring the special acoustics of the Isarphilharmonie im Gasteig HP8

Simon O'Neill, Siegfried
Peter Hoare, Mime
Michael Volle, The Wanderer
Georg Nigl, Alberich
Franz-Josef Selig, Fafner
Danae Kontora, Woodbird
Gerhild Romberger, Erda
Anja Kampe, Brünnhilde

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YOUTUBE:

1. Siegfried_I_Mime Ausschnitt: <https://youtu.be/IFA7MQHCMH4>
2. Siegfried_III_Heil dir, Sonne Heil dir, Licht: <https://youtu.be/wMIVHtsZXE>
3. Siegfried_I_Ausschnitt: <https://youtu.be/qA39bZsY2uM>

Also available:

Richard Wagner: Das Rheingold (2 CD 900133)
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Concert with Sir Simon Rattle:

3.10.2023: Paris, Philharmonie - Gustav Mahler: Symphony No. 6