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**Title:**

Franz Schubert  
Complete String Quartets Vol. 3  
String Quintet C major D 956  
Overture in c D 8a  
Fragment in C D 3

**Musicians:**

Leipziger Streichquartett  
Michael Sanderling, violoncello

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**Milestone**

Many a fan of fine classical music holds the slow movement from Schubert's Quintet in C major to be the most beautiful composition ever written. On this CD the Leipzig String Quartet, an ensemble acclaimed by the critics for its collective instrumental genius, takes on this unique piece and other works by the great Austrian composer: another milestone in the MDG monumental complete recording of Schubert's chamber music.

**Profound Depths**

The Quintet in C major also stands out for its instrumentation: a string quartet plus a second violoncello. Shortly before his tragic death Schubert laid a new musical foundation with a breath of sound seeming to plumb, with its two cellos, the profound depths of human existence.

**Complete Overview**

Our complete recording is not limited to Schubert's greatest hits; it also includes little-known early works such as the Overture for String Quintet and the String Quartet Movement (D 3) of the fifteen-year-old (!) Schubert. It is fragments such as these that make his magnificent chamber oeuvre truly complete for those who know and love his music. „Incomplete works make it complete Schubert!“ (Midem Preview, Paris)

**Right to the Top**

The Leipzig String Quartet go its career off to a successful start at the ARD Competition in Munich in 1991. The four musicians have since gone on to become „one of the most prominent string quartets of the younger European chamber music scene.“ (Neue Zürcher Zeitung)

**And That's Not All**

If you like to hear more chamber music from the skyrocketing Leipzig foursome ....

Anton Webern: Complete String Quartets  
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Beethoven, String Quartet op. 131  
Schubert, Quartet Movement C minor  
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