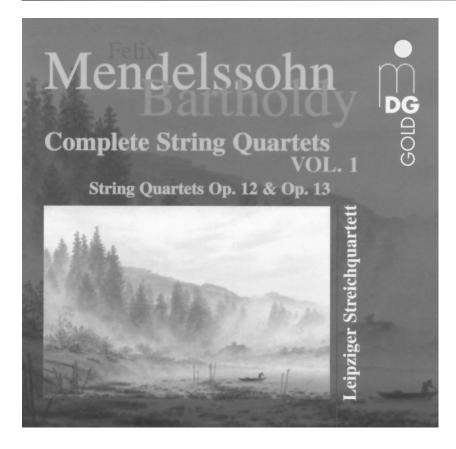
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Great Future

The little Felix had all the ingredients for a great future: supreme musical talent and parents with an interest in the arts and money in the bank. While many of his later colleagues had to make do as autodidacts, he was taught by Berlin's best teachers.

Kindred Spirits

Mendelssohn wrote his first String Quartet op. 13 at an age when most boys today have their minds on girls and cars. It was 1827, the year of Beethoven's death. Two years later his Quartet in E flat major was published as his op. 12. These two works are the kindred spirits of Beethoven's late quartets, and in them Mendelssohn expressed his admiration for the master's eccentricities. He stood almost alone among his contemporaries in his high estimation of these works, but history proved him right.

Impressive Fact

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