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The triumphant genius of Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) casts a long shadow over classical music; no other composer of the past two centuries has exercised an influence more profound than his. A product of the classicist generation, he was the first of the Romantics, and his exhilarating works remain undiminished in their powers of enchantment.

The Dover company printed a genuine manuscript from the original score of the 19th Century.

These Dover score editions are best known for their low prices. For the Beethoven symphonies, these are pretty much just reproductions of the 1865 Litolff edition, which contains numerous mistakes that were corrected in later, better editions. The 9x12 format is good for the full score format, making it easy to view all the orchestral parts at the same time. The note heads are big enough to be clearly legible. Knowing the deficiency of the source edition, my major complaint is there are no measure numbers so it's a big inconvenience for anyone wishing to study specific points in the score. BTW, all these are available for free download as PDF on [...]. But for me, having these in a book format beats having to print out page after page of PDF which gets messy.

It's really convenient that symphony #5-7 are together. I love the lay-flat binding... BUT!!!! There aren't ANY measure numbers. Who does that? I knocked off one star because I have spent a couple hours now numbering all my measures. Huge waster of time! Otherwise, the print is easy to read.

Although I was a music major, I am certainly not an authority. The score is quite adequate for me to use in connection with listening to recordings. So far, I've spent most of my time studying the fifth. I was pleased to be able to obtain the score at such a reasonable price.

I know that the mistakes have been talked about, but as a student when you're buying so many other books and things it is nice to have an affordable option for scores like this. You can sort of think of it as "you get what you pay for" if you really are discouraged by the mistakes, but it is simple enough to make the corrections and you get to study this wonderful repertoire for a cheap price.

An excellent edition of the music, cheap, large, and relatively well laid out for study. I wish it were spiral bound, though even without it lays relatively flat. I would definitely recommend this edition for someone on a budget.

Beautiful and well laid out.

Good!

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