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DEATH IN VENICE

Benjamin Britten 1913–1976

Deborah Warner's beautiful and evocative production of Britten's final operatic masterpiece has been acclaimed as an 'exquisitely achieved marriage of music, drama and design' (*The Independent*). In Britten's luminous and compelling interpretation of Thomas Mann's classic novella, the ageing writer Gustav von Aschenbach's infatuation with the Polish boy Tadzio and his subsequent decline are portrayed in a 'remarkable and harrowingly believable' performance (*The Guardian*) by John Graham-Hall, who had already won golden opinions for singing the role of Aschenbach at La Scala. The superb ENO chorus and orchestra are conducted by Edward Gardner, a long-standing champion of Britten's music. Filmed in High Definition and recorded in true Surround Sound.

Sung in English with English, French, German and Korean subtitles.

EXTRA FEATURE

Cast Gallery

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Gustav von Aschenbach **JOHN GRAHAM-HALL**

Traveller/Elderly Fop/Old Gondolier/Hotel Manager/
Hotel Barber/Leader of the Players/
Voice of Dionysus **ANDREW SHORE**

Voice of Apollo **TIM MEAD**

Tadzio **SAM ZALDIVAR**

The Polish Mother **LAURA CALDOW**

Her Two Daughters **MIA ANGELINA MATHER, XHULIANA SHEHU**

Their Governess **JOYCE HENDERSON**

Jaschju, Tadzio's friend **MARCIO TEIXEIRA**

CHORUS OF ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA

Chorus master **PAUL BROUGH**

ORCHESTRA OF ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA

Leader **JANICE GRAHAM**

Conductor **EDWARD GARDNER**

Director **DEBORAH WARNER**

Set designer **TOM PYE**

Costume designer **CHLOE OBOLENSKY**

Lighting designer **JEAN KALMAN**

Choreographer **KIM BRANDSTRUP**

Directed for the screen by **ROSS MacGIBBON**

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