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This Ricordi Opera full score edition of Puccini's "Turandot" was precisely what I was looking for. It is a clean copy and the spiral binding makes navigation a breeze, especially with a score as voluminous as "Turandot". I hope more large scale orchestral scores are made available with spiral bindings. There is no English text anywhere in this edition (understandable, and came as no surprise since the reviews from other buyer's I read prior to purchase informs of this situation) but if one knows one's orchestral instruments, then their French descriptions are a refreshing and informative departure from scores published by Kalmus, Dover, Schirmer, et al.

There seems to be a complicated mix-up with this product at . The first time I ordered it I was sent something completely different, and the two reviews below (March 2007 and September 2000) clearly aren't about this item. So to avoid confusion: what is on offer here is a FULL (ORCHESTRAL AND VOCAL) SCORE of Puccini's final opera. Ricordi has started a series of affordable full scores, Dover-style, but just a tad more classy. While Dover offers reprints of early editions, what you get here is a fully up-to-date version of the score reflecting the latest revisions and edits. The music is printed on firm, white paper and easy to read. It is prefaced by a portrait of the composer, a list of instruments, and a synopsis of the action in English, French and Italian. The Alfano completion of

the final duet and finale is included. It is a pity that a little editorial lapse resulted in the omission of a page (238) - in my copy, this is added as an erratum on a separate sheet, but I trust this will be corrected in later reprints. What will be more of a problem for many users is that apart from the synopsis, everything is Italian only, language-wise. If, like me, you don't know what `ottone' are, I'll help you out in advance: they are the onstage brass ensemble. You may encounter some more of such conundrums while perusing the score, but on the plus side, you'll improve your Italian. In the end this is a most worthwhile purchase for any admirer of this magnificent opera; only by seeing the notes you'll become fully aware of its dazzling intricacies.

Maestro loved it. Full score; that means it includes orchestral parts, as some people are mistaken.

This RICORDI edition of Turandot: Full Score is beautiful to look at, easy to follow, and wonderfully layed out. The type face is large and the paper sturdy, and the score is well bound. Highly recommended!

Puccini's Turandot is one of my all-time favorite operas. I was able to get this at a great price too!

All was great with this item, it's an opera score....how much more can I say? Now to get to rehearsal...

I'm not much for these cultured affairs and I always like to get up to speed before I go and this review does that.

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