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Rafael Kubelik conducts Bartók: Bluebeard's Castle

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On the occasion of Rafael Kubelík's 100th birthday, Audite presents this previously unreleased, live recording of his memorable concert performance at a 1962 summer festival of Béla Bartók's only opera, Bluebeard's Castle. With a driven sense for Bartók's orchestral riches and his musical drama in chiaroscuro, Kubelík reveals (15 August 1962) the emotional abysses of this gloomy psychological thriller and moulds the seven chambers symbolizing Bluebeard's innermost secrets with expressive psychological gestures.

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