

Naxos Spoken Word Library

The Naxos Spoken Word Library is an online collection of classic audiobook materials, largely on literary classics and educational themes. The collection covers more than 250 titles on classic novels, plays and poetry from medieval times to the 20th century. The full text of many titles can be followed on screen as it is being read. Whilst listening, users can also access informative notes about the work and the recording.

Naxos Spoken Word Library 是一些英文經典有聲書的線上版，內容大部分以文學及教育為主。收集了從中世紀到二十世紀的經典小說、劇本著作及散文詩歌等。

Searching

◇ *Standard Search*

The opening page is the Standard Search Page. This page allows you to browse through all Naxos AudioBooks CDs sorted by category.

Category

The collection is divided into five main categories, namely [Fiction](#), [Non-fiction](#), [Plays](#), [Poetry](#) and [General](#). Click on a category you wish to browse through from the menu on the left. A list of all titles in that category will appear.

Alphabetical

You may browse through the titles by clicking on the letters of the alphabet above. Most titles are arranged by the author's surname. Samplers and some Anthologies, Collections, Children's Classics, Music Education, Poetry, and Religion CDs are arranged by CD title, not author.

Playing a CD

⇒ To play a title, click on the title you want to play. The CD cover and Windows Media Player will appear on the right. All tracks

will automatically be selected and played from the beginning.

- ⇒ You can click on [Clear All](#) below the CD cover and select the track(s) you want to listen by clicking on the box(es) next to the track name(s). Then click on [Play Selections](#).
- ⇒ The buttons on the media player are similar to a CD player: play, pause, stop, previous track, next track, rewind, fast forward, mute. The volume can be adjusted by dragging the indicator in the centre of the player while holding down the mouse button.

Selecting the Sound Quality

The highest streaming quality is the default setting when playing a track (highlighted in red under [Select Sound Quality](#)). You may change the quality by stopping the CD and then clicking on the preferred sound quality which will turn to red. Then click on [Play Selections](#).

Texts on Screen

The full text of titles marked with a red asterisk "*" can be followed on screen as it is being read. More texts are added regularly.

About this Recording

While listening, you may access information on the recording by clicking on [About this Recording](#) under the CD cover if available. A pop-up window containing the CD booklet notes will appear. The notes include information on the author, composer, works as well as artists. You may print the notes by clicking on [Print](#) at the top right corner.

◇ *Advanced Search*

The Advanced Search mode enables you to search for audiobooks in a more sophisticated way. To access the search engine, click on [Advanced Search](#) in the menu bar along the top of the page.

The page is in the shape of a form, with several sections to fill in. You can fill in as much information as you can to limit your search.

1. Catalogue Number
Each Naxos AudioBooks title has a catalogue number. If you know the catalogue number of the title you are looking for, enter it in this section then click on Search Now. Since each catalogue number is unique, there is no need to enter additional information.
2. Disc Title
If you know the title of the disc, enter it here. If you don't know the full title, enter as many words as you know. The search results will include all titles containing these words.
3. Title
In this field, enter the name of the work you are looking for.
4. Author
Enter the name of the author of the work here. The last name is usually sufficient. To view a complete list of authors sorted by surname, click on the letters of the alphabet below the search field. You may click on any author's name and it will automatically be entered in the field.
5. Spoken Word Categories
Enter the spoken word category of the work here. Click on browse to view a complete list of categories.

Playing a CD in Advanced Search

- ⇒ On the results page, click on the title you want to play.
- ⇒ Select the track(s) you want to play by clicking on the box(es) to the left of the track names(s). If you wish to listen to the entire CD, click on [Select All](#) under the CD cover.
- ⇒ Click on [Play Selections](#) under the CD cover.

New Releases

The New Releases section allows you to browse through all Naxos AudioBooks new releases of the current and previous months. These releases can also be found through Standard or Advanced Search as they have already been added to the library.

In the menu bar along the top of the page, click on [New Releases](#). A page of all new releases of the current month categorized into [Naxos Educational](#) and [Naxos AudioBooks](#) will appear. To view a different month, click on the arrow of the drop down menu on the left, then click on the month.

To play a title, click on its catalogue number on the right to access to the page of tracks list. You may then [Select All](#) or [Play Selections](#) of your choice.

✧ Text Search

This search mode allows you to search for text strings available in the database.

- ♦ The search is not case sensitive, and search for numbers is supported.
- ♦ The search for more than one strings, link the strings with “.and.”, separated by spaces.
- ♦ To search for the appearance of one string or another, link the strings with “.or.”, separated by spaces.
- ♦ Single character search is not supported.
- ♦ Up to 70 characters can be put in the query box, including dots and spaces.

On the search result, click a catalogue number to view the full text. The text strings you entered for the search will be highlighted in yellow.

Cambridge Dictionaries Online

The database has a link to the “Cambridge Dictionaries Online”. You can input words in the search box to check definition and phonetics at any point of the search and play mode.

Printing

The texts of all public domain titles can be printed out, track by track. Just click on Print the AudioBook Content and then the print function of the browser. Then follow the standard procedures to pay for and collect the printouts.

Exiting the Database

Click on the red “Log out” tag at the top right corner to exit the system.

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