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THE BIG GAMBLE/TREASURE OF THE GOLDEN CONDOR

Composed by **MAURICE JARRE/SOL KAPLAN**

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Fasten your seatbelts and keep your hands inside the car at all times – Intrada unleashes upon the unsuspecting soundtrack world two colorful action adventure scores from the 20th Century Fox 1950s and 1960s archive. The first features multi-Oscar winning composer Maurice Jarre's score to *The Big Gamble* (1961). Stephen Boyd stars as an Irishman who sets out to start a trucking company in Africa's Ivory Coast, only to find that everything that can go wrong, does go wrong. Coming just a year before his Oscar-winning score to *Lawrence of Arabia*, *The Big Gamble* almost seems like a trial run for that sweeping epic and features flowing exotica conveyed through escalating, full-throated string passages backed by vibrant brass and percussion. Everything big, bold, and larger-than life from Maurice Jarre is heard here in this early work.

Going back earlier in time finds the second feature (from 1953), Sol Kaplan's score to *Treasure of the Golden Condor*. Cornel Wilde stars as a French aristocrat, cheated out of his inheritance and looking to refurbish his fortunes by searching for buried treasure in the jungles of Central America. Kaplan ignites his score with a prelude of sterling ferocity, the film's main theme layered with assertive and exciting percussion. It launches a score replete with moments of high adventure, romance, thrills, and exoticness, backed by lush string passages and driving percussion.

This Intrada release is the premiere for both scores. *The Big Gamble* is featured here from the original stereo elements. *Treasure of the Golden Condor* is presented from original mono elements. Both lend to a dynamite, adventure filled listen you won't want to miss.

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