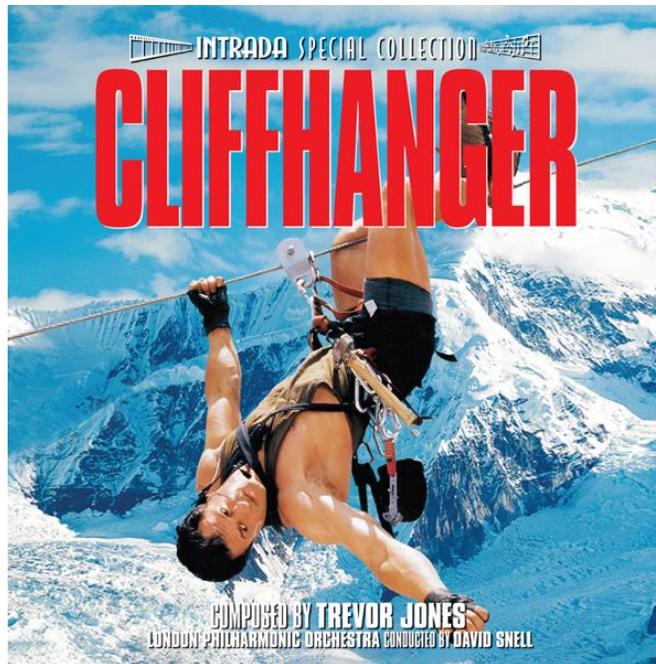




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CLIFFHANGER

Composed by **TREVOR JONES**

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Trevor Jones' thrilling score for the 1993 Carolco action thriller *Cliffhanger* is now available on a complete 2-CD set from Intrada. This epic, sweeping score runs more than 90 minutes, and director Renny Harlin allowed the music to play an uncommonly prominent role in the film — especially unusual for a big-budget action picture. The music maintains a solid presence at the forefront of the drama rather than being pushed into the background of the mix; a remarkable feat for a film filled with helicopters, gunfire, explosions, and avalanches. Jones' score displays two diverse components — rich melody and ferocious action. The main theme is broadly drawn, characterized by wide intervals and a steady feel of forward motion. The first portion is often heard on solo trumpet while the less frequently heard second portion features strings. Jones uses the entire theme to bookend his score.

The original 1993 CD release on the Scotti Bros. label offered a little over half of the score, with emphasis on melody and suspense. But the real stars of this score are the lengthy, aggressive action cues, many of which appear on this new Intrada release for the first time. Remixed from the original 48-track elements, this release features a crisp, dynamic state-of-the-art sound.

Cliffhanger tells the story of Gabe Walker (Sylvester Stallone), a mountain-climber and rescue operative who is broken by his failure to save the girlfriend (Michelle Joyner) of his best friend Hal (Michael Rooker). One year later, a team of mercenaries, led by the sadistic Qualen (John Lithgow), enlists the cooperation of rogue government agent Travers (Rex Linn) to hijack a plane shipment of \$100 million in uncirculated bills from the U.S. Treasury. When the mercs' plane crashes into the mountains, Gabe and Hal are dispatched on a rescue mission—and subsequently forced to participate in a hunt for the cash, which has been dispersed across the landscape in three beacon-equipped suitcases. Gabe escapes, of course, and a dramatic cat-and-mouse game plays out amidst murder, treachery, and dizzying action.

This release is limited to 2000 units.

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