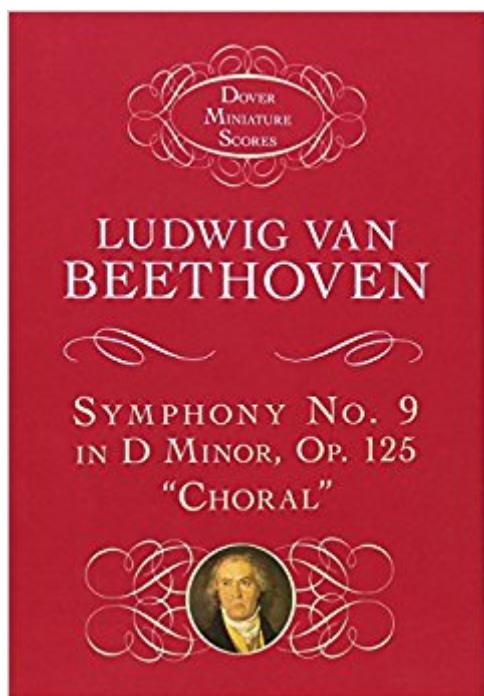


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Came quickly and is easy to read. I do not agree that this pocket version is too small, it is no different than any other pocket score.

Clear, easy to read, the complete score...

The real flaw with this edition is the ridiculously small size that attempts to encompass a large symphony orchestra, solo quartet and choir. The result is almost complete illegibility. The notes tend to run into each other most of the time, and you would need a magnifying glass to properly study the score. My personal advice is to go for the full size version, despite the additional expense. At least, you can get to READ the notes in the score!! (The two stars are for the admirable translation of the Schiller poem "Ode to Joy" and explanation of the evolution of the recitative preceding it in the introduction)

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