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#### **From Library Journal**

If you own a harpsichord, by all means wade into this book: reading it is like learning to swim, with the book there to encourage and guide you. It's a cheerful, practical, clear, concise, up-to-date guide to buying, maintaining, and tuning this instrument that includes a short history and discussion of the different types of harpsichord and their use in different kinds of music. Its only drawback is the absence of labeled diagrams showing instrument parts under scrutiny, though the copious photographs and drawings help. Highly recommended for anyone owning or thinking of owning a harpsichord. Philippa Kiraly, Cleveland

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#### **From the Back Cover**

The revival of interest in harpsichords has motivated thousands of people to buy, build, and learn how to care for these instruments. Yet few have any idea how the harpsichord operates, how to keep it in good working order, how to make simple repairs, or how to tune it. Edward Kottick, an experienced harpsichord builder, offers the first practical guide to buying, repairing, and maintaining a harpsichord.

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