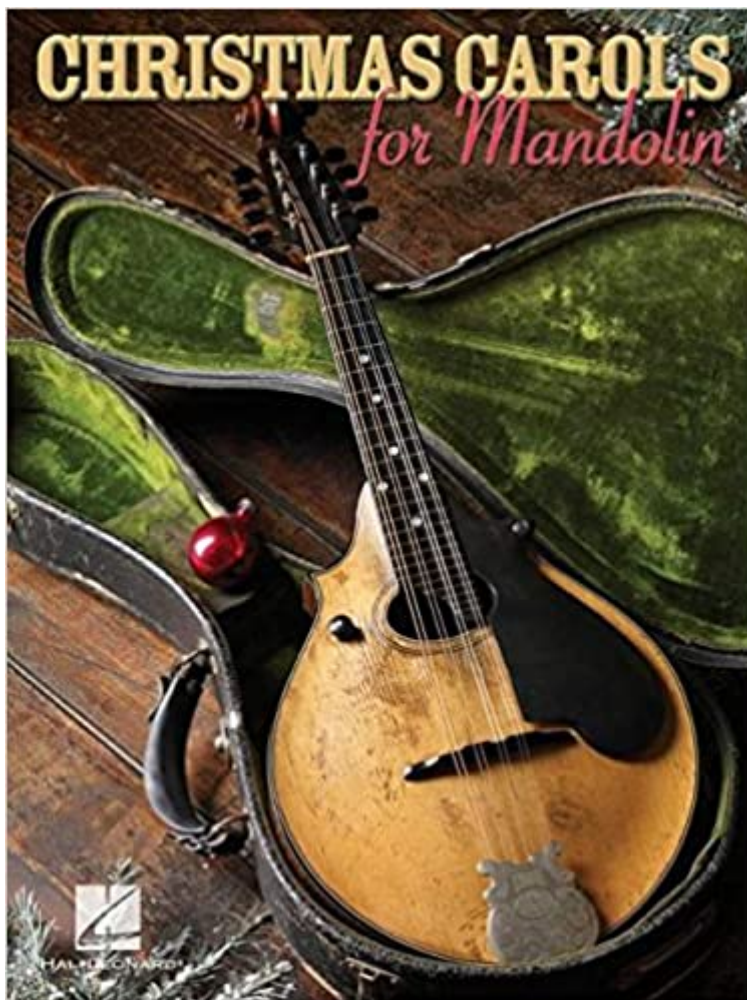


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# Christmas Carols For Mandolin



## Synopsis

(Mandolin). 23 Christmas songs arranged especially for mandolin, including: Away in a Manger \* The First Noel \* God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen \* Hark! the Herald Angels Sing \* It Came upon the Midnight Clear \* Jingle Bells \* O Christmas Tree \* O Holy Night \* Silent Night \* Up on the Housetop \* We Wish You a Merry Christmas \* What Child Is This? \* and more.

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I've played guitar for years but have been playing mandolin for a year or so. This book fits perfectly where I'm at in terms of my ability and continued fruitful practice. As others have said the arrangements are really mandolin arrangements, not simply fake book melodies. So as an intermediate player (+/-) its pushing me gently to improve. But the cool thing is these arrangements are not crazy difficult, requiring 6 months of dedication to master, and nerves of steel to play, for the holidays. A huge gripe of mine with holiday guitar arrangements: too simple or too hard considering the material. Don't get me wrong, I love xmas tunes, just not so much in July. This book strikes a

great balance for an intermediate player. The earlier pieces in the book would suit a beginner. Things get more difficult as you progress through the book. But the progression is fluid, if that makes sense. Its pretty obvious the pieces are arranged by a dyed in the wool, experienced instructor. Allot of material out there does not live up to obvious expectations. The biggest thing this book does for my playing is helping me get better tone from the instrument. I never thought xmas tunes were so suited to the mandolin. The mandolin techniques are very well applied to the material. So if your phrasing is right, the technique is there, and you apply the right touch, its really quite moving. Something about the mandolin. The selection and number of tunes suit me fine too. I see myself playing from this book for many christmases to come. Its good to have a music book for the holidays I can comfortably play with friends while not having to put my lessons on hold while I learn the material. For what it is and my stage in the game I really can't think of much that would improve this book.

These arrangements are almost all slightly beyond the simplest tune-only arrangements in most books. 23 different songs. Includes chords and lyrics. Nice back page reference of Mandolin Notation symbols. If you want a Christmas collection that's beyond the beginner books (but not terribly advanced), you will like this. Angels We Have Heard on High Away in a Manger Deck the Hall The First Noel Go, tell it on the Mountain God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen Good King Wenceslas Hark! the Herald Angels Sing I Saw three Ships It came upon the midnight Clear Jingle Bells Jolly Old St. Nicholas Joy to the World O Christmas Tree O Come, All Ye Faithful O Come, O Come, Emmanuel O Holy Night O Little Town of Bethlehem Silent Night Up on the Housetop We Three Kings of Orient Are We Wish you a Merry Christmas What Child is This?

Each of the songs seemed to be arranged to highlight one of (1) double-stops, (2) tremolos, or (3) arpeggiated chords. Experienced players might get better value / more selections for the price with straight "fake book"-melody and chord arrangements, but for beginners like myself, it's a nice study.

Love this book! As a self-taught beginner, I find myself easily sticking to a rigid schedule and am actually making sense of these songs! It is so much more exciting to learn to play when you can actually make music!!!!

Exactly what I was looking for. I am a beginner mando player and these songs are a great introduction to playing. You are introduced to the proper use of everything from tremolo picking to

slides. While not a tutorial, there is enough information in the book to answer most questions about the techniques used and if you need more answers, a quick internet search will provide them.

These are really quite beautiful and easy to play. Was pleasantly surprised! Have some good notations for beginning players, as well!

Great for learning christmas tunes on mandolin and chords for guitar.

Was a gift. I haven't heard how it was received.

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