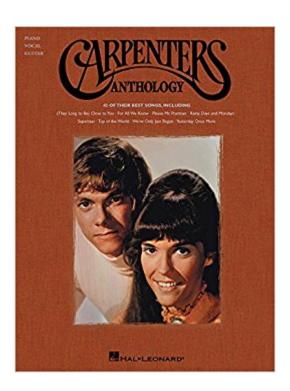


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Carpenters Anthology





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(Piano/Vocal/Guitar Artist Songbook). Features 43 of the best songs from this beloved sibling duo, including classics such as: Bless the Beasts and Children * (They Long to Be) Close to You * For All We Know * Goodbye to Love * Hurting Each Other * I Just Fall in Love Again * I Won't Last a Day Without You * It's Going to Take Some Time * Let Me Be the One * Merry Christmas, Darling * Please Mr. Postman * Rainy Days and Mondays * Sing * Solitaire * Superstar * There's a Kind of Hush (All Over the World) * This Masquerade * Ticket to Ride * Top of the World * We've Only Just Begun * When I Fall in Love * Yesterday Once More * and more. Includes two tables on contents: one alphabetically by song title, and one chronologically by album.

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Customer Reviews

Very odd collection. It's a complete jumble of songs from different parts of their career with no apparent organization. Likewise, the arrangements are all over the map. Some of them sound like the originals and are in the right key, but many have simplified arrangements and introductions that don't even resemble the recordings. Very disappointingly, some songs like "I need to be in love" are written as an accompaniment, so the piano doesn't actually play the melody! You would have to have somebody sing along if you want to hear the melody. There are annoying typos too: The song "I kept on loving you" is printed as "I kept loving you"! The original Carpenters Gold collection is much much better but doesn't have any of the later albums, as it only goes up to "A song for you" and doesn't include that song as this collection does.

Truly one of the best collections of THE CARPENTERS music out there in one book. I have several of the album's books, but these include some of the newer material released after Karen's death in 1983. Some of the best songs of the 1970s and early 80's here.

The songs in this book are the most popular songs that Carpenters did though I am also looking for their version of I'll Never Fall In Love Again. Anyway, if you love to sing, the keys are totally the same as what Karen used. Also the notes are accurate except for other instrument line like guitar, flute, etc. The book comes brand new, no folds, and yes, good smelling (new book smell). Here is a sample of one song I play using this book. [....]

I love it. The big hits sound really great, with some very nice arrangements. Close to You, Superstar, Rainy Days and Mondays...my faves, and they sound very nice. I like the difficulty...not too easy so that the songs sound so simple, but not so hard that I can't play, with some practice. There are some difficult keys and key changes, so if you're not fond of playing with 4 flats, for example, you might find it difficult.

Love playing all of the songs that Karen Carpenter sang! It's written in her key! I still remember her voice!

Great songs but fingers get tangled up in arrangements.

This book is a wonderful buy for Carpenters fans (especially Carpenters fans who play the piano). The songs are almost all in her original key (except for Merry Christmas, Darling). Overall, a great buy.

You should hear my wife singing this...she sounds just like Karen, thanks to this book!

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