

Rough Guide Music

The Rough Guide to World Music is the unchallenged work on sounds from around the globe. This third edition is even more comprehensive than ever- updated and expanded including playlists for all countries and new chapters on Bangladesh, Burma, Corsica, French chanson, Malta, Slovenia and New Zealand. Volume 2: Europe, Asia and the Pacific has full coverage of genres from Balkan brass to Bollywood song and from fado and flamenco to Filipino fusion. The guide includes articles on more than 60 countries from Albania to Wales and Afghanistan to Vietnam written by expert contributors, focusing on popular and roots music. You'll find discographies for each article, with biographical notes on thousands of musicians and reviews of their best CDs. The Rough Guide to World Music is packed with playlists of the greatest tracks from each country for your iPod and MP3 player.

Sporting shades and a feedback-heavy sounds, the Velvet straddled art and rock, changing popular music forever, and sowing the seeds for punk, grunge and thousands of countercultural four-chord wonders. The Rough Guide to The Velvet Underground explores: The Velvet Story: How Lou Reed, Sterling Morrison, John Cale and the others emerged from the New York scene, their successes and excesses and what happened to each in their solo years. Velvet Music: From their 1967 debut with Nico to their 1993 reunion with all the tales behind the tunes. Velvet Universe: Everybody who was anybody in the Velvet's world, taking in Andy Warhol, Edie Sedgwick, David Bowie, Delmore, Schwartz and Brian Eno. Velvet Goldmine: The "Underground" on screen, the Velvet's New York, clubs, influences, covers, websites and more.

Describes the musical heritage of the United States and the development of styles such as jazz, rock, pop, country, folk, and blues Irish traditional music remains one of the richest musical cultures in the western world, kept alive by a combination of historical, political, and cultural forces. Ireland goes worldwide in the Rough Guide to Irish Music, with the help of Clannad, Altan, Dolores Keane, and more. From the traditional songs and dances that are the heart of Ireland's music, to the pop and rock interpretations of new Celtic groups, this CD showcases the music that bridges Ireland's past and future.

Sketches of opera composers, opera synopses, and CD reviews.

The Rolling Stones are one of the ultimate rock band. This guide explores various aspects of the music, and charts how Mick, Keith and the boys invented rock stardom. It includes their story: from the blues clubs of 60s Chelsea to the world tours and millionaire mansions.

Offers 16,000 critical biographies of jazz musicians and album reviews

Divided by region and subregion, this volume examines the indigenous music of different countries, its current status, major performers, and special instruments

The Beatles are the ultimate band - the most popular, the most respected, the most influential. The Rough Guide to the Beatles covers every aspect of the Fab Four, delving deep into the Beatles music, lyrics, movies and the Beatles solo careers. Features include: The Story: from Liverpool clubs to Beatlemania. The Music: incisive reviews of every Beatles and solo album and new

Beatle Music from George Martin's son Giles. The Canon: the inside track on the 50 greatest songs. On Screen: the movies, the promos and the TV appearances and new coverage of the upcoming Rock Band-style video game of Beatle music. The Fifth Beatle: George Martin, Yoko Ono, Magic Alex and other contenders as well as the resignation and death of Neil Aspinall. Beatleology: the best books, the weirdest covers, the most obsessive websites, the obscurest trivia. This updated edition includes new material on Cirque Du Soleil 's acclaimed Love Show - the only officially endorsed Beatles theatrical presentation, Paul McCartney's albums Memory Almost Full, Ecce Cor Meum and Electric Arguments and the media circus surrounding the McCartney/ Mills divorce. All you need is this!

This pocket handbook to the world's most incessant dancefloor grooves features all the key players and hottest labels, and includes career biographies of more than 160 producers, artists, and DJs, and discographies for each reviewing the best on vinyl and CD. Photos.

Compiles career biographies of over 1,200 artists and rock music reviews written by fans covering every phase of rock from R&B through punk and rap.

This second edition of the Rough Guide Book of Playlists contains more than 500 lists of which 50 are new to this edition. The lists are recommendations of ten songs (sometimes a couple more, sometimes a couple less), covering artists (Rufus Wainwright to Thelonius Monk, Al Green to Manu Chao, Glenn Gould to Julie Andrews), genres (Bebop Classics to Reggae Toasters to Punk Originals to Hot Club jazz), songs (10 best Dylan covers; 8 classic versions of Summertime; 10 love songs that don't cloy), quirks and silliness (Songs about Chickens and Insects; Who let the frogs out?; Big Pizza Pie crooners; Take this Job and Shove it!). There's even a literary edge with playlists like '10 songs raved about in Murakami novels'. Each of the Playlists has a nugget about the song (why you want it on your iPod), and a listings of where it's from (remember CDs?).

This expanded and completely revised fourth edition is a unique handbook, spanning a thousand years of music from Gregorian chant via Bach and Beethoven to current leading lights such as Thomas Adès and Kaija Saariaho. There are concise biographical profiles of more than 200 composers and informative summaries of the major compositions in all genres, from chamber works to operatic epics. Topics such as the influence of jazz, notation, conducting, the madrigal, and why Stradivarius made such great violins are covered fully in feature boxes. The Rough Guide has been praised for its mix of well-known composers with more obscure, but interesting, figures (like Antoine Brumel and Barbara Strozzi), and for the way it takes contemporary music seriously. Identifies and offers brief profiles of more than a thousand jazz singers, songwriters, and musicians and includes entries about record labels, and types of jazz

Sketches of classical composers and CD reviews.

The Rough Guide to Portugal is the essential travel guide with clear maps and coverage of the country's unique attractions. The Rough Guide to Portugal guides you around the fashionable cities of Lisbon and Porto, takes you hiking in the hills of central and northern Portugal, and covers every beach along the Algarve making it the ideal companion

whether you're on a city break, beach holiday, walking or driving. The guide unearths the best sites, hotels, restaurants, and nightlife across every price range- from backpacker hostels to beachfront villas and boutique hotels. You'll find specialist coverage of Portuguese history, art and literature and detailed information on the best markets and shopping for each region. The locally-based Rough Guide author team introduce the best vineyards, country taverns and fado clubs and provide reliable insider tips from driving Portugal's roads to shopping for linen and lace. Explore all corners of Portugal with authoritative background on everything from Porto's architecture to surfing at Peniche, relying on handy language tips and the clearest maps of any guide. Make the most of your holiday with The Rough Guide to Portugal. 1,000 travel adventures across all seven continents, gorgeous full-bleed images throughout, and short summaries of each adventure: With more than 500,000 copies sold, Make the Most of Your Time on Earth is truly the ultimate inspirational guide for world travelers and those who dream of hitting the road. The third edition has been fully revised, with stunning, brand-new color photos throughout and a wealth of new writing and new adventures, from sleeping in a baobab tree in Senegal to breakfasting in a Burmese teahouse. Entries are divided into regions, so it's easy to go straight to the part of the world you're interested in, and all the nitty-gritty practical information you'll need to find out more is contained in the "Need to Know" sections at the end of each chapter. Make the Most of Your Time on Earth is the product of the combined travel experience of Rough Guides' authors over the last 30 years, each an expert in his or her own territory. Our authors have chosen their favorite experiences from their travels to inspire yours - making this the perfect book for planning your next big adventure, or just dreaming of future travels.

Presents a collection of twenty-nine lullabies and rhymes that include lyrics reproduced in the original African language and translated into English.

This guide gives you the lowdown on all the grittiest singers, bottleneck guitarists, belt-it-out divas and wailing harmonica players that made the most influential music of last century. From music legend B.B. King to folk hero Robert Johnson, profiles are included of hundreds of artists and reviews of their best albums.

This definitive guide covers the entire spectrum of hip-hop, including MCs, DJs, producers, labels, graffiti taggers, poppers, lockers and body-rockers.

This expanded and completely revised fifth edition is a unique ebook, spanning a thousand years of music from Gregorian chant via Bach and Beethoven to current leading lights such as Thomas Adès and Kaija Saariaho. There are concise biographical profiles of more than 200 composers and informative summaries of the major compositions in all genres, from chamber works to operatic epics. Topics such as the influence of jazz, notation, conducting, the madrigal, and why Stradivarius made such great violins are covered fully in feature boxes. The Rough Guide to Classical Music in

a new ebook (PDF) format has been praised for its mix of well-known composers with more obscure, but interesting, figures (like Antoine Brumel and Barbara Strozzi), and for the way it takes contemporary music seriously.

Cuba is home to some of the world's most vibrant popular music in the world, from son and rumba to salsa and chachacha. The Rough Guide to Cuban Music introduces the full range of Cuba's varied musical traditions and tells the story of their greatest performers, legends like Beny More, Celina Gonzalea alongside more recent stars such as Carlos Varela. Includes features on the origins and development of the various musical genres, a biographical directory of over 100 key artists, with dozens of photographs. Also draws up some critical discographies, recommending the pick of each artist's output.

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Lists and describes one hundred of the best rock compact discs, from the Rolling Stones' "Exile on Main Street" to the Cure's "Mixed Up"

Traces the growth of country music as an industry, and includes biographies of hundreds of performers, album reviews, and background stories of songs.

Through your computer you can listen to thousands of stations your radio cannot reach, and with The Rough Guide to Internet Radio you can begin to explore this astoundingly varied world. The Rough Guide gives you

The Rough Guide to Pink Floyd is the ultimate companion to the band that changed the sound and scale of pop music forever. Features include: The Story: from the Syd Barrett era, the Dark Side Of The Moon phenomenon to their transformation into one of the world's biggest bands, The Music: 50 essential Floyd songs and the stories behind them, plus all the albums and recording sessions, side-projects and solo careers, Floyd On Film: the movies and film soundtracks from The Wall and More to Zabriskie Point and Pink Floyd at Pompeii, Floydology file: the cover versions, rarities, DVDs, books and websites. From the psychedelic "happenings" of 60s London to the arena gigs, world tours and Live 8 reunion – it's all here.

The Rough Guide to Mexico is the ultimate travel guide to this fascinating nation. Discover Mexico's highlights with stunning photography and information on everything from Baja California's beaches and the silver towns of the Bajío to the jungle-smothered ruins of Oaxaca and Yucatán. Find detailed practical advice on what to see and do in Mexico City, relying on up-to-date descriptions of the best hotels, bars, clubs, shops, and restaurants for all budgets. The Rough Guide to Mexico also includes detailed itineraries covering the best of the country, as well as things not to miss and regional highlights detailing the most unforgettable experiences. Make the most of your time with The Rough Guide to Mexico.

The Rough Guide to Classical Music is the ideal handbook, spanning a thousand years of music from Gregorian chant via Bach and Beethoven to contemporaries such as Thomas Adès and Kaija Saariaho. Both a CD buyer's guide and a who's who, the guide includes concise biographical profiles of more than 200 composers and informative summaries of the major compositions in all genres, from chamber works to operatic epics. For novices and experts alike, the fully updated fifth edition features contemporary composer Helmut Lachenmann and Widor, the 19th century organ composer of 'Toccata' wedding fame, as well as dozens more works added for existing composers. You'll find a new 'Top 10's' section with accessible introductory listings including the Top 10 operas and the Top 10 symphonies plus new essay boxes on topics such as "Baroque - a style or a period?" and "The clarinet comes of age". The Rough Guide to Classical Music features fresh and incisive reviews of hundreds of CDs, selecting the very best of the latest recordings and reissues as well as more than 150 illustrations of composers and performers, including a rare archive of photos.

The perfect companion to cinema's most spectacular genre, The Rough Guide to Film Musicals reveals how an escapist entertainment became Hollywood's most ingenious art form. From such enduring classics as Singin' In The Rain and West Side Story to recent successes like Evita and Chicago, this book reviews 50 essential musicals, including several forgotten gems. There are profiles of musical icons such as Fred Astaire, Judy Garland and George Gershwin and details of musicals from around the world. Complete with a list of the best soundtracks, websites and books for further reading, this Rough Guide takes a behind the scenes look at this magical movie genre.

A guide to unknown music provides recommendations on over two hundred recordings that represent such genres as indie, soul, folk, jazz, and techno.

The new Rough Guide to England is the definitive insider's guide to a country rich in history, heritage and culture. Now in full colour throughout, this fully updated guide has clear maps, detailed itineraries and regional highlights. Now available in PDF format. There's practical information and advice on visiting England's beautiful countryside and coastline, as well as the many diverse cities, towns and picture-postcard villages. Don't miss a thing with up-to-date reviews of the best places to stay, from boutique hotels to budget hostels, the most authentic pubs and new-on-the-scene restaurants, and the most exciting activities and experiences. Whether you're camping on a remote Cornish peninsula, hiking in the Peak District, being pampered in a spa town or browsing markets in London's East End, explore every corner of this superb country with easy-to-use maps and detailed sights information. Make the most of your time on Earth™ with The Rough Guide to England.

This new Rough Guide is devoted to pop music, the tacky, catchy yet enduring music we grew up listening to when we should have been listening to something more profound. We celebrate the hits, the singers, the impresarios and the songs which have made up the soundtrack to our lives. So come along pop pickers, put on your blue suede shoes (or your tartan trousers or puffball skirt, it's your call) and take a stroll down Electric Avenue. Not aarf! Features include: bull; The Stars A celebration of those performers, from Robbie Williams to Andy Williams (and Madonna to Mungo Jerry), who have had us singing along or, in the case

of Dean Friedman and Kajagoogoo, left us wondering what the world is coming to.

The complete guide to one of the most influential forms of music in the world, "The Rough Guide to Reggae" leaves no stone unturned when it comes to profiling such stars as Buju Banton, Lee "Scratch" Perry, and, of course, Bob Marley. From Ragga to Dub to Ska, all forms of the genre are covered. Photos.

The Rough Guide to Reggae is the only book of its kind available. The first two editions of the Rough Guide to Reggae were the top-selling books on the subject, and widely acclaimed by the music press and fans alike. Illustrated throughout with over 400 pictures, many of them exclusive photos, the book also features exclusive interviews with reggae's top stars, and reviews over 500 albums. 2003 and 2004 have been the most successful years for reggae music on a global scale since the heyday of Bob Marley, with singers such as Sean Paul and Wayne Wonder regularly topping the UK and US pop charts. The new third edition of Rough Guide to Reggae is fully updated to cover this latest wave of Jamaican musicians, while not stinting on newly discovered recordings and reissues of classic albums of the past.

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