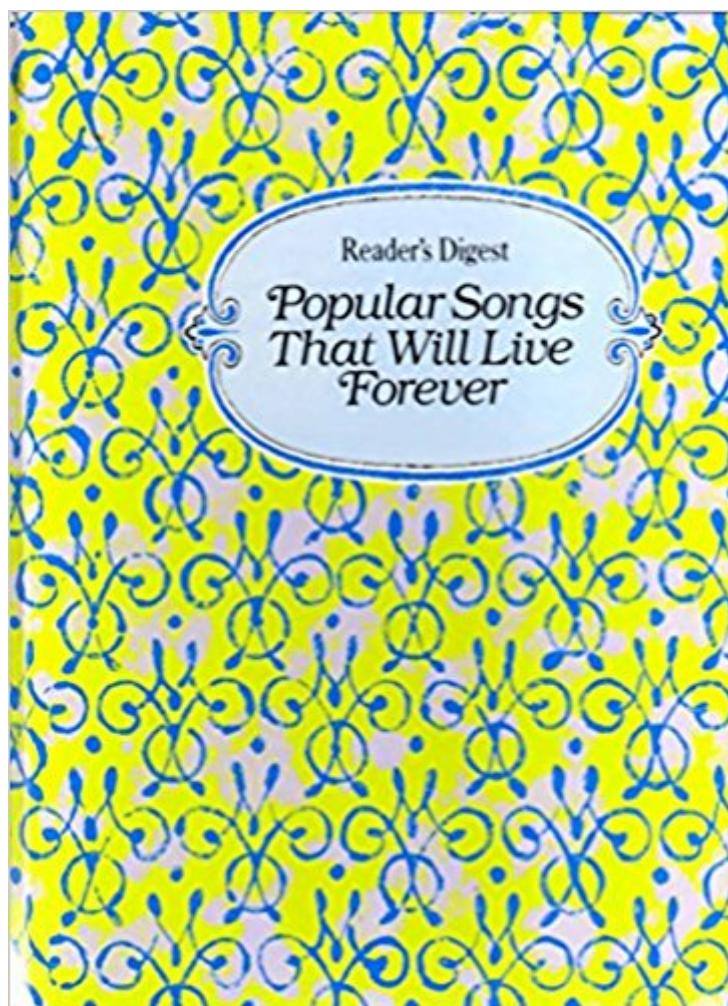


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Here is a list of the songs contained in this book. I believe this list is complete, but I haven't double-checked.

After the ball -- After you've gone -- Ain't misbehavin' -- Ain't we got fun -- All of me -- Almost like being in love -- Among my souvenirs -- Baby face -- Ballin' the Jack -- Besame mucho -- Beyond the sea (la mer) -- Bidin' my time -- Boo-hoo! -- The boy next door -- California, here I come -- Cecilia -- Charmaine -- Cocktails for two -- Coquette -- Daddy's little girl -- The Darktown Strutters' ball -- Don't blame me -- Down by the O-HI-O -- Far away places -- Feelings -- Harbor lights -- I don't want to set the world on fire -- I want a girl -- If -- If ever I would leave you -- I'll never smile again -- Isle of Capri -- It might as well be spring -- It's all in the game -- It's been a long, long time -- Just one of those things -- Just the way you are -- Kiss me again -- K-K-K-Katy -- La mer (Beyond the sea) -- La Seine (The river Seine) -- Let's fall in love -- Linda -- The Lord's prayer --

Love and marriage -- Love is here to stay -- Love letters -- Lovely to look at -- Lover, come back to me -- Mary's a grand old name -- Merry widow waltz -- Moments to remember -- My melancholy baby -- My melody of love -- The nearness of you -- Nel blu, dipinto di blu (Volare) -- Never my love -- Oh lady, be good -- People will say we're in love -- Perfidia -- Pick yourself up -- Rosalie -- Rose-Marie -- School days -- Seems like old times -- Send in the clowns -- Sentimental journey -- Seventy-six trombones -- Shine on, harvest moon -- Singin' in the rain -- Some day my prince will come -- Some enchanted evening -- Song of the islands (Na lei o Hawaii) -- Spinning wheel -- Stars fell on Alabama -- Take me out to the ball game -- Tangerine -- Theme from A summer place -- Three coins in the fountain -- Tie a yellow ribbon round the ole oak tree -- Till there was you -- To each his own -- Together -- Tonight -- Too young -- True love -- Try to remember -- Twelfth Street rag -- The very thought of you -- Vienna, my city of dreams (Wien, du Stadt meiner Traume) -- Waltzing Matilda -- What are you doing the rest of your life? -- When I grow too old to dream -- When you were sweet sixteen -- While we're young.

Quite simply all the Readers Digest published volumes of piano music are terrific in every way. Easy enough for just about any player, but also satisfying arrangements that really hit the important chords, notes, and signature elements of a great song. Ingenious work, these books. Your only regret will be having waited so long to add these to your library. If you're a professional who needs a lot of repertoire and need to be able to sight read, these are essential tools of the trade. You'll probably have to augment the arrangements on the fly if you're truly a professional entertaining in a bar or reception,, but for the average home-parlor player, these books are essential for hours of great moments at the piano.

The song selections include lots of old classics, arranged into sections including show tunes, film, international hits, and various decades (20s to 70s). Tons of favorites and crowd pleasers by the old greats -- Gershwins, Cole Porter, etc. Easy to play and the great arrangements sound great!

I now own two of the Readers Digest song books and I like the arrangements, especially the 30s and 40s songs. This book had many songs I didn't like, especially 50-s and 60s.

If you love having music for standards on hand, these Reader's Digest books are great. The only other option for sheet music hoarders was "Sheet Music Magazine," but I just received notice this week that they have stopped publication. So grab these books while you can at these great prices.

Many of these "Popular Songs that will live forever" haven't reached my "Popular Songs" level - but the ones that I DO KNOW I am very grateful that I now have the music and guitar chord diagrams to "keep them alive" in my "Treasured Songs" memory. This is a good addition to my music library.

Love these books. Not for beginners! The music is a broad range and very enjoyable.

I use this book to play songs at a nursing home. The residents love it.

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