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Traditional Irish Music For The Bagpipe



Synopsis

(Music Sales America). A breathtaking and unusual collection of traditional Irish tunes that have been arranged for the bagpipe by Dave Rickard. Fifty pieces are included, some are rare and others had never been used before in bagpipe bands, but all are familiar tunes or melodies which will delight and enthral performers and audiences alike. Pieces featured include: O Sullivan's March * An Mhaighdean Mhara * The Gravel Walk * The Lark in the Morning * and more.

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Customer Reviews

I'm having a lot of fun trying to play these tunes at the proper pace! Most are jig and reel at 127bpm or above, some reaching 200bpm! This isn't a book I'd recommend for the total beginner, more likely intermediate level or above, but everything in it is fun to play and fun to hear. This is the kind of stuff you'll love to play if you have a St. Patrick's Day gig at a local bar, or just with some pals who want to play along with drum and guitar. I did notice a typo or two, but once you spot them, it's the addition of a gracenote or a strike and it's fixed. I'd say that this book is worth it just to have a good copy of "Glass of Beer" alone -since it makes a great transition tune when going from one reel to another- but here's a full list of tunes in case you're on the fence: The Clare Jig, Bill Harte's Jig, Rakish Paddy, The Humors of Tulla, The First Slip, The Humors of Whiskey (1), The Cook in the Kitchen, Tear the Calico, Kevin's Polka, Sweeny's, The Langstern Pony, The Glass of Beer, Merrily Kiss the Quaker's Wife, The Hare in the Corn, The Humours of Whiskey (2), Fraher's Jig, Cis Ni Liathain, The Silver Spear, Johnny Mickey Barry's, Is maith le Nora, Where is the Cat, Pay the Reckoning, The

Swallow's Tail Johnnie Cope (Hornpipe) The Flags of Dublin Lord Ramsey's The Three Little
Drummers The Blarney Pilgrim O Dalaigh's All the Way to Galway The Lark in the Morning The Back of
the Haggard Petrie's Keeffe's Slide O the Britches Full of Stiches An Bhrosna Maggie Shanley's O
Sullivan's March Art O'Keefe's Mo Ghile Mear An Mhaighdean Mhara Eibhli Geal Ciuin Ni Cearhail O'
Dubhshlane's Jig The Eagle's Whistle Mairseail Ri Laoise The Boys of Malin Tiocfaidh tu Abhaile
liom The Gravel Walk Samhradh Samhradh Aoibheas Eilis Ni Cheallaigh Have Fun!

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This book was on my wish-list for a long time and I'm pleased to finally get it. There are many fantastic tunes sadly not in the mainstream of contemporary Highland piping including a few 'rule breaking' tunes with c-naturals. I was surprised to find a number of issues in the book that should have been caught & fixed in editing. These issues are not bad however; competent players/musicians will catch these and *most-of-the-time* be able to correct for them. Still, I'm pleased to further explore the music with an Irish focus and am sure it will prove to be a cherished book in my collection and the music book collections of pipers everywhere.

I am adding Irish tunes to my collection and this looked like a good book for the price !

A very interesting book. I still need to learn to play the whistle, but once I'm finished with that, I plan to move over to the bagpipe practice chanter. This is a very intriguing collection.

Pros: good collection of some faves and standards. Easy-to-read size notes. Cons: Not sorted by easy-to-hard. Not alphabetical. Not sorted by type of tune (reels, jigs, song tunes, marches). Grace-notes iffy in spots.

Great addition to collection.

I was somewhat disappointed when I first received this book because I was expecting many tunes that I had heard of, but after I had played several of them I quickly saw that this collection is a trove of wonderful celtic melodies that I will enjoy learning. Many of these tunes are written in the old style and are quite satisfying to play. Enjoy!

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