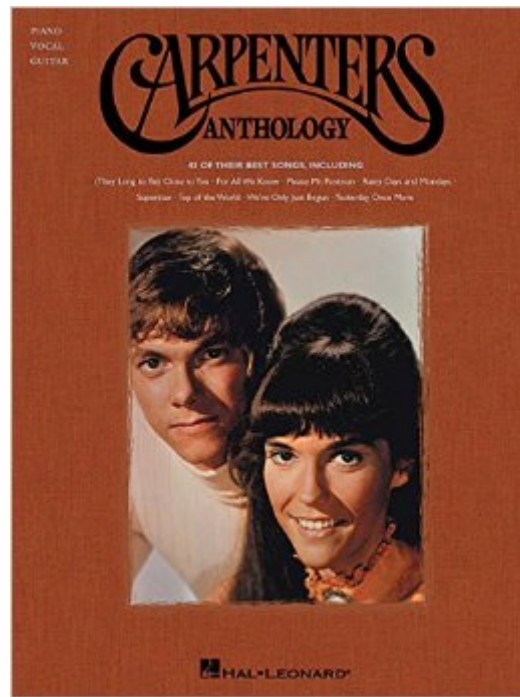


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# Carpenters Anthology



## Synopsis

(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

For the Carpenter fan who wants (nearly) every song they produced, this is the most comprehensive anthology available. The songs range from their debut album, "Offering/Ticket To Ride", to "Lovelines", 43 songs in all, and here they are (in chronological order): Ticket To Ride, Close To You, I Kept Loving You, We've Only Just Begun, Drucilla Penny, All We Know, Let Me Be The One, One Love, Rainy Days and Mondays, Saturday, Sometimes, Superstar, Bless the Beasts and the Children, Goodbye To Love, Hurting Each Other, I Won't Last A Day Witout You, It's Going To Take SOme Time This Time, A Song For You, Top of the World, The End of the World, Sing, This Masquerade, Yesterday Once More, Only Yesterday, Please Mr. Postman, Solitaire, Goofus, I Need to Be in Love, There's a Kind of Hush, All You Get From Love is a Love Song, Calling Occupants, I Just Fall in

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Merry Christmas Darling  
Want You Back in My Life Again  
Because We Are in Love  
Beechwood 4-5789  
Those Good Old Dreams  
Touch Me When We're Dancing  
Make Believe It's Your First Time  
When I Fall in Love  
Where Do I Go From Here  
You're the One I Love  
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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.[....]

This is a sheet music version of the famous album anthology put out by The Carpenters. I recommend having the audio version as well as this sheet music. You will want to know exactly how Karen and Richard made this music work so well. Obviously, most of us cannot reproduce what they did. But you won't even come close if you just play the simplified notes here. If you listen carefully you will hear how Karen never sings the notes strictly and you will notice how much richer the keyboard playing is under Richard's hands. You don't need to duplicate it, but you can seek the feel and use the sheet music as a basis for building your own take on this wonderful music. The price is great and the arrangements, even if played as is, are fine for people learning to play and of intermediate experience. However, if you are an experience musician, this is a launching pad for your version of the music. Great to have in your library and for exploring this music of the 1970s and 80s. Whenever I listen to their music and arrangements I realize what a treasure we lost with her passing. So sad. But the music lives on so beautifully and her rich alto voice is always there for us to hear again.

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.

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.

Simply an all-around terrific buy!! The Key is exactly the way Karen Carpenter sings. Sounds absolutely genius on the piano. Includes marvelous songs from their astounding career!! Must buy, and a good deal!!

I felt more like singing this book than playing it. Although I know it is a Carpenter book, to me it was a Karen Carpenter book -- I was buying it to remember her and her voice. I was surprised to find several Richard Carpenter songs; I'm not interested in any of those, neither do I remember those. I wish the arrangements were better for a pianist. But, such is life. So if you want to SING these melodies, this is the book for you.

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