

DJ Music List
Essentials

2nd Edition
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Dedication

In memory of our cat, Wally.

Complete the Set

This book is one of four different sized editions, all of which are available at djmusiclist.com or your favorite book seller:

DJ Music List *Top 500* – the top 500 most requested DJ songs.

DJ Music List *Essentials* – over 2,000 songs that every DJ should have.

DJ Music List *Greatest Hits* – over 10,000 of the most popular charted hits.

DJ Music List *Complete* – over 20,000 charted titles.

Donny Brusca is also the author of the annually updated BPM List, which features the beats-per-minute of songs and is indexed by BPM, Artist, Style and Title. More information about the BPM List is available at bpmlist.com.

Printing Conventions

Spelling of Titles

Songs titles are spelled properly, when possible, to facilitate searching. For examples, "Hollaback Girl" is spelled out as "Holler Back Girl" and "C'mon N' Ride It" is spelled out as "Come On And Ride It". Leading articles and trailing punctuation marks are omitted.

Numerals in Artists' Names and Titles

Numbers at the beginning of an artist's name or song title are spelled out, so 112 becomes One Twelve and appears in proper alphabetical order under O.

Parentheses, Alternate Titles, and Medleys

When parentheses in a song title represent an alternate title, both are included and separated by a slash. For example, "Banana Boat (Day-O)" by Harry Belafonte is listed as "Banana Boat / Day-O". However, when parentheses are used to complete a song title, as in "(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction" by the Rolling Stones, the words in parentheses are omitted, as "Satisfaction." The slash is also used for medleys, as in "Aquarius / Let The Sunshine In" by the Fifth Dimension.

Multiple Artists

For songs performed by (or featuring) more than one artist, additional artists are listed within square brackets. When there are more than one additional artist, their names are abbreviated.

Multiple Categories

Any song titles which appear in more than one category (particularly Dance) represent alternate remixes which have each charted in their own right.

Chart Years

The song's year specifies the year in which the song peaked on the charts, with the pop charts given highest priority.

Emphasized Text

In the *Essentials* edition, the Top 500 DJ Songs are printed in bold. In the *Greatest Hits* and *Complete* editions, the Top 500 DJ Songs are printed in thick bold italic and underlined, and the remaining DJ Essentials are printed in bold.

Music Styles

<u>Style</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Songs</u>
Alternative Rock / New Wave	1976-today	127
Bachata		1
Christian		10
Classic Jazz	1930-1959	9
Classic R&B / Soul / Motown	1950-1999	186
Classic Rock	1963-1980	137
Country		192
Dance / Disco / Club	1972-today	306
Doo Wop / Vocal	1948-1999	31
Event / Holiday Theme		23
Freestyle	1983-1996	9
Hit Parade / Big Band	1930-1959	52
Italian		5
Jazz / Modern Jazz	1960-today	16
Latin Dance		10
Light / Adult Contemporary	1960-today	272
Merengue		3
New Swing	1960-today	6
Novelty / Comedy		7
Old School / Party/Booty Rap	1980-1999	63
Oldies / Rock & Roll	1954-1987	85
Participation Dance		32
Pop / Current Teen	1995-today	129
Reggae / Dancehall / Ska		51
Reggaeton / Latin Hip Hop		5
Rock / Mainstream / Modern	1981-today	249
Salsa / Tropical / Latin Pop/Rock		4
Soca / Calypso / Steel Band		2
Urban / Rap / Hip-Hop / R&B	2000-today	268

Classic Rock

Bad Company

- 1974 Can't Get Enough

Bay City Rollers

- 1976 Saturday Night

Beatles

- 1964 Can't Buy Me Love
- 1964 Hard Day's Night
- 1964 **I Saw Her Standing There**
- 1964 **I Want To Hold Your Hand**
- 1964 She Loves You
- 1964 **Twist And Shout**
- 1965 **In My Life**
- 1965 Yesterday
- 1966 Day Tripper
- 1967 **All You Need Is Love**
- 1967 When I'm 64
- 1968 Hey Jude
- 1969 Here Comes The Sun
- 1969 Something
- 1976 Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da
- 1978 With A Little Help From My Friends

Benatar, Pat

- 1980 Hit Me With Your Best Shot

Blue Swede

- 1974 Hooked On A Feeling

Blues Brothers

- 1979 **Soul Man**

Boston

- 1976 More Than A Feeling

Brownsville Station

- 1974 Smoking In The Boys' Room

Cars

- 1978 Just What I Needed

Cheap Trick

- 1979 **I Want You To Want Me**

Chicago

- 1971 Beginnings
- 1971 Color My World

Clapton, Eric

- 1978 **Wonderful Tonight**

Dance / Disco / Club

Melanie C

- 2001 I Turn To You

Michael, George

- 1984 Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go [w/ Wham]

Midnight Star

- 1984 No Parking

Milli Vanilli

- 1989 Baby Don't Forget My Number
- 1989 Blame It On The Rain
- 1989 Girl You Know It's True

Minogue, Kylie

- 1988 **Locomotion**
- 2002 **Can't Get You Out Of My Head**
- 2002 Love At First Sight

Miracles

- 1976 Love Machine

Modjo

- 2001 **Lady**

Movement

- 1992 Jump

N-Trance

- 1996 Staying Alive

Nightingale, Maxine

- 1976 Right Back Where We Started From

O'Jays

- 1973 Love Train
- 1976 I Love Music

Odyssey

- 1978 Native New Yorker

Peaches & Herb

- 1979 **Shake Your Groove Thing**

Peniston, CeCe

- 1992 **Finally**

Perry, Katy

- 2010 **California Girls**
- 2010 Teenage Dream

Pitbull

- 2009 **I Know You Want Me / Calle Ocho**

Light / Adult Contemporary

Newton-John, Olivia

- 1974 I Honestly Love You
- 1978 Hopelessly Devoted To You

Nilsson, Harry / Nilsson

- 1972 Coconut

Paige, Jennifer

- 1998 Crush

Paul & Paula

- 1963 Hey Paula

Preston, Billy

- 1980 With You I'm Born Again [w/ Syreeta]

Reno, Mike

- 1984 Almost Paradise [w/ Anne Wilson]

Richie, Lionel

- 1982 Truly
- 1983 All Night Long
- 1984 Hello

Righteous Brothers

- 1965 **Unchained Melody**
- 1965 You've Lost That Loving Feeling
- 1966 Ebb Tide
- 1966 **Soul And Inspiration**

Riperton, Minnie

- 1975 Loving You

Ronstadt, Linda

- 1987 Somewhere Out There [w/ James Ingram]
- 1989 Don't Know Much [w/ Aaron Neville]
- 1990 All My Life [w/ Aaron Neville]

Roselli, Jimmy

- 1967 When Your Old Wedding Ring Was New

Roxette

- 1990 It Must Have Been Love

Ruby & Romantics

- 1963 Our Day Will Come

Script

- 2009 Breakeven

Seal

- 1995 Kiss From A Rose
- 2007 Wedding Day [w/ Heidi Klum]

Rock / Mainstream / Modern

Barenaked Ladies

- 1998 One Week
- 1999 It's All Been Done
- 2000 If I Had A Million Dollars
- 2000 Pinch Me

Beastie Boys

- 1987 Fight For Your Right
- 1987 Girls

Better Than Ezra

- 1995 Good

Black Crowes

- 1991 Hard To Handle

Blind Melon

- 1993 No Rain

Blink 182

- 1999 What's My Age Again
- 2000 All The Small Things

Blues Traveler

- 1995 Runaround

Bon Jovi

- 1986 You Give Love A Bad Name
- 1987 **Living On A Prayer**
- 1989 I'll Be There For You
- 1994 Always
- 2000 It's My Life
- 2001 Thank You For Loving Me

Boston

- 1986 Amanda

Calling

- 2002 Wherever You Will Go

Carlisle, Belinda

- 1987 Heaven Is A Place On Earth

Carnes, Kim

- 1981 Bette Davis Eyes

Cars

- 1982 Shake It Up
- 1984 Drive

Chapman, Tracy

- 1996 Give Me One Reason