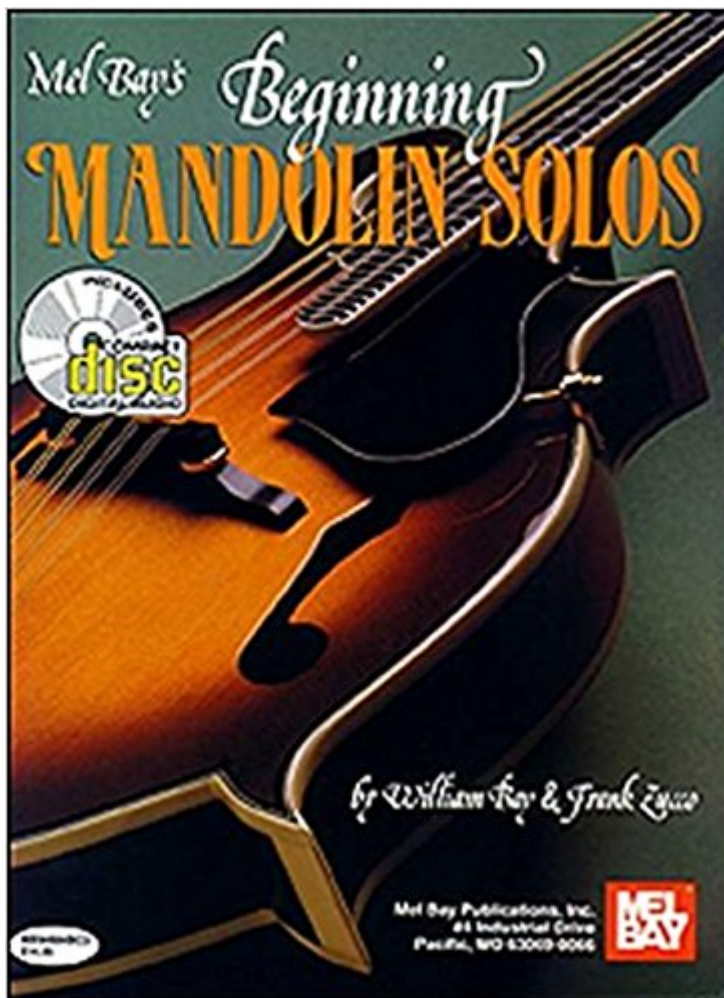


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Mel Bay Beginning Mandolin Solos



Synopsis

Here's a wonderfully diverse collection of 56 beginning mandolin solos in notation and tablature with suggested guitar chords. This book makes an excellent supplement to any introductory mandolin method. You'll notice your progress and gather sight-reading confidence as you read through this carefully graded series of pieces from various ethnic origins. Dix Bruce performs all of the tunes in the book on the companion CD.

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Mel Bay publishes some great music books for most string instruments. I have enjoyed this edition

for years. I needed another copy to keep in my travel trailer. Easy learning for beginners.

There are MANY anthologies of beginning mandolin solos out there, but this one, I submit, is better than the others for one simple reason: The CD that comes with it was done right! You can isolate the mandolin on the right track or the accompaniment on the left track. Many of these beginning solo books have CDs whose audio tracks do not have the lead melody and the accompaniment separated on their own tracks, so if you want to play along with the CD, you are forced to play with another mandolin player in the room. With this one, you can silence him and just have the guitar accompaniment (which is steel-string). Another plus is that this book indicates upstroke/downstroke patterns. One complaint, though, would be that the pace of many of these songs is much faster than you will find comfortable. The notes may be beginner, but the speed at which they're played on the CD is not. Nor is there any way to slow things down, as another reviewer claims. You can certainly slow down the tempo using certain playback software, but then you'd no longer be in key. Another complaint is that the guy on the CD starts his songs irregularly. Sometimes it's "1, 2, 3 and . . ." and other times it's "1 and 2 and let's go!" It's not professional. Also note: * It's almost all folk songs. No discussion of any of the songs is provided. * There are no doublestops anywhere: all treble melodies are one note. * TAB is provided below conventional notation. * It's only 42 pages, but there seems to be a lot of songs. * No dynamics or tempo indicated. * Chord names are provided above the melody, but not diagrams. * The book is arranged in order of difficulty, with the hardest piece, "Pizzicato Polka," bringing up the rear.

An excellent music book for the mandolin. The accompanying CD is essential for the beginner to play along to get the feel and rhythm of the solos and provides the necessary incentive to pick up speed with accuracy. The music is varied and suitably graded to give confidence and pleasure to the mandolin player. The number of solos in the book provides a wealth of material giving excellent value for money.

this book is a good one, but you will need another book to learn the fretboard. This book has songs only. Its cool how the cd has a fast and slow speed for each song.

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