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# The Easy Country Fake Book: Over 100 Songs In The Key Of "C" (Melody, Lyrics And Simplified Chords)





## Synopsis

(Easy Fake Book). More than 100 country favorites all in the key of C, arranged with simplified harmonies and melodies and complete lyrics: All My Ex's Live in Texas \* Blue \* Breathe \* Cold, Cold Heart \* Crazy \* Daddy Sang Bass \* Forever and Ever, Amen \* Friends in Low Places \* The Gambler \* God Bless the U.S.A. \* He Stopped Loving Her Today \* Here You Come Again \* I Fall to Pieces \* I Love a Rainy Night \* Jolene \* Okie from Muskogee \* Ring of Fire \* Tennessee Waltz \* Walkin' After Midnight \* You Decorated My Life \* Your Cheatin' Heart \* and many more.

## **Book Information**

Paperback: 179 pages Publisher: Hal Leonard (November 1, 2008) Language: English ISBN-10: 1423435672 ISBN-13: 978-1423435679 Product Dimensions: 9 x 0.4 x 12 inches Shipping Weight: 1.3 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.4 out of 5 stars 31 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #492,847 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #92 inà Â Books > Arts & Photography > Music > Songbooks > Mixed Collections #575 inà Â Books > Humor & Entertainment > Sheet Music & Scores > Forms & Genres > Lieder & Art Songs #1787 inà Â Books > Arts & Photography > Music > Songbooks > Piano

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Hal Leonard has a series of "Easy" fake books. These have the treble clef in notation with the chord information along the top of the staff. The "easy" series books have all arrangements converted to the Key of C. (This key conversion is helpful to the relatively inexperienced, but some songs actually might have been better if presented in the key of G or F (one sharp/flat) which most less experienced musicians should be able to deal with. The arrangements are also somewhat simplified

(though less so than Hal Leonard's E-Z Play arrangements). This is a nice selection of country tunes that can be the core of someone's collection. Minor complaint is that there are a few duplications in the "country" book with some other books in the series -- but I'll have to admit that some songs/musicians crossover between country and pop, so that isn't entirely unexpected. (However, if the complete list of songs isn't available online, I tend to not want to buy one of the books in this series.) As with any collection, some of the less popular pieces do not get included ... it's frustrating

This is a very good "easy" book. If you are into country music, chances are you will be familiar with most of the selections (about 80% of them have received more than one million views on youTube, and many in the tens of millions). The selections are all in the key of C, though more than 40% have one or more accidentals not in this key, a problem for "pure" diatonic instruments, but not for such chromatic instruments as the guitar and piano. Some diatonic folk and country instruments, such as Hohner double-row accordions (melodeons), can include several accidentals, and allow nearly 90% of the selections here to be played as written. I also like the larger than normal print. I'll end with a couple of minor negatives. First, some selections are missing one or more popular lyric verses, and a couple are missing parts of the music. Second, although many Hal Leonard music books come with spriral or ring spines, allowing pages to lie flat on a music stand, this book does not. Otherwise very well done.

I really love this book! I can play some of these songs already. (I am just beginning to play a piano keyboard.) And I feel certain that I will be able to master most of these songs in the near future. These arrangements are ideal for a beginner piano/keyboard player!

I'm a beginner musician in my 60s. The entire Fake Book series has helped me learn more about music and given me a leg up. This particular book has a slightly larger typeface so it's easier to read the musical notation. The music itself is a little easier for me to play with my limited, beginner skills. It's more fun learning and practicing when you can actually play the music! I would recommend this book to anybody. The more experienced musicians I've met like them, too. Some of them have been playing longer than I have been alive. This book says guitar and piano but I'm playing the music on an accordion.Bill

I am having a ball with this book, it is the 5th of these fake books that I have purchased. The only reason I am giving it 4 stars is because of the bindings. I have had to take 4 of these books apart,

cut the pages down to fit in plastic sheet protectors and put them into binders, then they work great. I read music, but like to play by ear, mostly in the key of C. With the chords I can do my own fills and make the songs into my own arrangements.

#### Everything as advertised. Very nice

This is the best Fake Book. At first I could only play a few songs. Now I can play all the songs and put my own spin on some of them. I have 4 books and I always go back to this one.

#### easy to read and plays well

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