

DJ Music List  
*Essentials*

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## Complete the Set

This book is one of three different sized editions, all of which are available at [djmusiclist.com](http://djmusiclist.com) or your favorite book seller:

DJ Music List *Essentials* – about 2,000 of the most requested DJ songs.

DJ Music List *Greatest Hits* – about 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 [bpm1ist.com](http://bpm1ist.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 250 DJ Songs are printed in bold. In the *Greatest Hits* and *Complete* editions, the Top 250 DJ Songs are printed in thick bold italic and underlined, and the remaining DJ Essentials are printed in bold.

## Music Categories

<b>Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Years</b>
AR	Alternative Rock / New Wave	1976-today
BA	Bachata	Any
CH	Christian	Any
CJ	Classic Jazz	1930-1959
CO	Country	Any
CR	Classic Rock	1963-1980
CU	Cumbia	Any
DA	Dance / Disco / Club	1972-today
DW	Doo Wop / Vocal	1948-1999
EV	Event / Holiday Theme	Any
FR	Freestyle	1983-1996
HI	Historic	pre-1930
HP	Hit Parade / Big Band	1930-1959
IT	Italian	Any
JZ	Jazz / Modern Jazz	1960-today
LD	Latin Dance	Any
LT	Light / Adult Contemporary	1960-today
ME	Merengue	Any
MX	Mexican / Nortena / Ranchera	Any
NV	Novelty / Comedy	Any
OL	Oldies / Rock & Roll	1954-1987
OS	Old School / Party Rap / Booty	1980-1999
PA	Participation Dance	Any
PO	Pop / Current Teen	1995-today
RB	Classic R&B / Soul / Motown	1950-1999
RE	Reggae / Dancehall / Ska	Any
RK	Rock / Mainstream / Modern	1981-today
RT	Reggaeton / Latin Hip Hop	Any
SA	Salsa / Tropical / Latin Pop	Any
SO	Soca / Calypso / Steel Band	Any
SW	New Swing	1960-today
UR	Urban / Rap / Hip-Hop / R&B	2000-today
WD	World / Miscellaneous Ethnic	Any
XM	Christmas	Any

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## Alternative Rock / New Wave

### A-Ha

- 1985 **Take On Me**

### ABC

- 1983 Look Of Love

### After the Fire

- 1983 Der Kommissar

### Ant, Adam

- 1983 Goody Two Shoes

### B-52's

- 1980 Rock Lobster
- 1989 **Love Shack**

### Bananarama

- 1984 Cruel Summer
- 1986 Venus

### Bangles

- 1986 **Walk Like An Egyptian**
- 1989 Eternal Flame

### Basil, Toni

- 1982 **Mickey**

### Beastie Boys

- 1998 Intergalactic

### Big Country

- 1983 In A Big Country

### Blondie

- 1979 Heart Of Glass
- 1980 Call Me
- 1981 Rapture
- 1981 Tide Is High

### Bowie, David

- 1983 Let's Dance
- 1983 Modern Love

### Buggles

- 1979 Video Killed The Radio Star

### Caesars

- 2005 Jerk It Out

### Chumbawamba

- 1997 Tubthumping / I Get Knocked Down

### Clash

- 1983 Rock The Casbah

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## Alternative Rock / New Wave

### Coldplay

- 2003 Clocks
- 2008 Viva La Vida

### Crazy Town

- 2001 Butterfly

### Culture Club

- 1983 Do You Really Want To Hurt Me
- 1983 I'll Tumble For You
- 1984 Karma Chameleon

### Cure

- 1988 Just Like Heaven
- 1989 Love Song
- 1992 Friday I'm In Love

### Daft Punk

- 2001 One More Time

### Dead or Alive

- 1985 You Spin Me Round

### Depeche Mode

- 1982 Just Can't Get Enough
- 1990 Personal Jesus

### Devo

- 1980 Whip It

### Dexy's Midnight Runners

- 1983 **Come On Eileen**

### Duran Duran

- 1983 Hungry Like The Wolf
- 1984 Reflex

### EMF

- 1991 Unbelievable

### Enigma

- 1994 Return To Innocence

### Erasure

- 1988 Chains Of Love
- 1989 Little Respect

### Escape Club

- 1988 Wild, Wild West

### Eurythmics

- 1983 Sweet Dreams

### Fatboy Slim

- 2000 Rockafeller Skank

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## Alternative Rock / New Wave

Fine Young Cannibals

- 1989 She Drives Me Crazy

Flock of Seagulls

- 1982 I Ran

Frankie Goes to Hollywood

- 1985 Relax

Gabriel, Peter

- 1986 Sledgehammer

Gnarls Barkley

- 2006 **Crazy**

Go-Go's

- 1981 Our Lips Are Sealed
- 1982 Vacation
- 1982 We Got The Beat

Gorillaz

- 2005 Feel Good Inc [w/ De La Soul]

Grant, Eddy

- 1983 Electric Avenue

Hooters

- 1985 And We Danced

Human League

- 1982 Don't You Want Me

INXS

- 1986 What You Need
- 1988 Need You Tonight
- 1988 New Sensation

Jamiroquai

- 1999 Canned Heat

Jesus Jones

- 1991 Right Here, Right Now

Kajagoogoo

- 1983 Too Shy

Katrina and the Waves

- 1985 Walking On Sunshine

Knack

- 1979 My Sharona

Lauper, Cyndi

- 1984 **Girls Just Want To Have Fun**
- 1984 Time After Time

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## Alternative Rock / New Wave

### Madness

- 1983 Our House

### Men At Work

- 1982 Who Can It Be Now
- 1983 Down Under

### Men Without Hats

- 1983 Safety Dance

### Metro Station

- 2008 **Shake It**

### Moby

- 2001 South Side [w/ Gwen Stefani]

### Modern English

- 1983 I Melt With You

### Nena

- 1984 Ninety-Nine Luftballons

### New Order

- 1986 Bizarre Love Triangle

### No Doubt

- 1996 Just A Girl
- 2002 Hella Good
- 2004 It's My Life

### Pet Shop Boys

- 1986 West End Girls

### Police

- 1983 Every Breath You Take

### Pseudo Echo

- 1987 Funky Town

### REM

- 1987 One I Love
- 1988 It's The End Of The World As We Know It
- 1988 Orange Crush
- 1991 Losing My Religion

### Ramones

- 1978 I Want To Be Sedated

### Re-Flex

- 1984 Politics Of Dancing

### Red Hot Chili Peppers

- 1992 Give It Away
- 1997 Love Rollercoaster
- 2006 Dani California

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## Alternative Rock / New Wave

### Romantics

- 1980 **What I Like About You**

### Simple Minds

- 1985 Don't You

### Smiths

- 1984 This Charming Man

### Snow Patrol

- 2006 Chasing Cars

### Soft Cell

- 1982 **Tainted Love**

### Soho

- 1990 Hippy Chick

### Spandau Ballet

- 1983 True

### Sublime

- 1996 What I Got
- 1997 Santeria

### Talking Heads

- 1983 Burning Down The House

### Tommy Tutone

- 1982 Jenny / 867-5309

### U2

- 1987 With Or Without You
- 1989 All I Want Is You
- 1992 Mysterious Ways
- 1992 One
- 1998 Sweetest Thing
- 2001 **Beautiful Day**

### Vapors

- 1980 Turning Japanese

### Violent Femmes

- 1982 **Blister In The Sun**

### Wang Chung

- 1984 Dance Hall Days
- 1986 **Everybody Have Fun Tonight**

### Wiseguys

- 2001 Start The Commotion

### Yaz

- 1982 Situation

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## Country

### Bon Jovi

- 2006 Who Says You Can't Go Home [w/ Jennifer Nettles]
- 2007 Make A Memory

### Brandt, Paul

- 1996 I Do

### Brooks & Dunn

- 1991 Brand New Man
- 1992 Neon Moon
- 1994 Rock My World
- 1995 Little Miss Honky Tonk
- 1996 My Maria

### Brooks, Garth

- 1989 If Tomorrow Never Comes
- 1990 Dance
- 1990 **Friends In Low Places**
- 1991 Shameless
- 1991 Unanswered Prayers
- 1992 Papa Loved Mama
- 1992 River
- 1993 Ain't Going Down
- 1993 American Honky-Tonk Bar Association
- 1998 To Make You Feel My Love

### Brown, Zac

- 2008 Chicken Fried
- 2009 Whatever It Is

### Byrd, Tracy

- 1994 Watermelon Crawl
- 1995 Keeper Of The Stars
- 1998 I'm From The Country

### Carpenter, Mary-Chapin

- 1991 Down At The Twist And Shout
- 1992 I Feel Lucky

### Carter, Deana

- 1996 Strawberry Wine

### Cash, Johnny

- 1956 I Walk The Line
- 1963 **Ring Of Fire**
- 1967 Jackson [w/ June Carter Cash]

### Chesney, Kenny

- 1996 Me And You
- 1999 How Forever Feels
- 1999 You Had Me From Hello
- 2000 She Thinks My Tractor's Sexy

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## Light / Adult Contemporary

### Adele

- 2008 Make You Feel My Love

### Air Supply

- 1980 Lost In Love
- 1981 One That You Love
- 1983 Two Less Lonely People In The World

### Alias

- 1990 More Than Words Can Say

### Allaire, Ray

- 1991 Song For My Daughter

### Anka, Paul

- 1976 Times Of Your Life

### Anthony, Marc

- 2000 My Baby You
- 2000 You Sang To Me

### Association

- 1966 Cherish
- 1967 Never My Love

### Astley, Rick

- 1988 Never Gonna Give You Up

### Atlantic Starr

- 1987 Always

### Austin, Patti

- 1983 Baby, Come To Me [w/ James Ingram]

### Baker, Anita

- 1986 Sweet Love
- 1987 Caught Up In The Rapture

### Beach Boys

- 1963 Surfer Girl
- 1988 **Kokomo**

### Bee Gees

- 1977 How Deep Is Your Love

### Bennett, Tony

- 1962 I Left My Heart In San Francisco
- 1997 Way You Look Tonight

### Benton, Brook

- 1970 Rainy Night In Georgia

### Berlin

- 1986 Take My Breath Away

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## Rock / Mainstream / Modern

### AC/DC

- 1981 Back In Black
- 1990 Thunderstruck

### Adams, Bryan

- 1985 Heaven
- 1985 **Summer Of Sixty-Nine**
- 1991 **I Do It For You**
- 1994 All For Love [w/ RodStewart/Sting]
- 1995 Have You Ever Really Loved A Woman
- 1997 I'll Always Be Right There

### Aerosmith

- 1987 Dude
- 1988 Angel
- 1988 Rag Doll
- 1994 Crazy
- 1998 **I Don't Want To Miss A Thing**

### All-American Rejects

- 2006 Dirty Little Secret
- 2009 Gives You Hell

### Aqualung

- 2005 Brighter Than Sunshine

### Ataris

- 2003 Boys Of Summer

### Bad English

- 1989 When I See You Smile

### 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

### 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