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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Intermeditate to advanced arrangements By Brent Butler This book has a nice selection of everyone's Christmas favorites, even including such "pop Christmas" songs as Blue Christmas. The arrangements as written are for a somewhat advanced player. Some of the songs are in "advanced" keys, and the bass as arranged is pretty complicated in most of the arrangements. However, even if you can just play the melody along with the listed chords, these songs come out sounding the way you'd expect them too. The music has not been transposed into simpler keys just so every beginner can look at the left side of the staff and be comforted by the presence of no more than one sharp or flat. LOLEven an advanced beginner who knows his chords can find some very enjoyable music to play in this book ... even by sight reading. And if you want to put some real effort into

learning the left hand side of the arrangements, you'll be even further rewarded. If you are an advanced or professional player who for some reason still needs a compilation of all the classic hymns and pop Christmas music in one book, you have it here, and in arrangements and keys which will show off your skill to good purpose. (PS, though they aren't written in the music, I play "Blue Christmas" - noted above - with the "Elvis flourishes" - the little stutters he introduced into his singing. For some reason I just can't hear that music without those in there, so I play them as well. LOL) There are sixty-nine pieces of music here, including some that I'm not familiar with, and I'm pretty much of an old pro when it comes to knowing a lot of Christmas songs. Included are a few "seasonal songs" which aren't truly Christmas songs, such as: Auld Lang Syne, Frosty the Snow Man, Home for the Holidays, Let it Snow, My Favorite Things, and Suzy Snowflake. You get a lot of the new "fun" songs that became popular in the mid 1900s: The Chipmunk Song, Grandma got Run Over by a Reindeer, I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus, Jingle-Bell Rock, Pretty Paper, The Christmas Song, Santa Baby, Happy Holiday. And of course all the old standards/hymns are there too, including: Angels we have Heard on High, Away in a Manger, Deck the Hall, The First Noel, Hark the Herald Angels Sing, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, O Holy Night, and MANY more. As I write this in late July, it's about time to start brushing up to play these for Christmas. My mistake is always waiting for Thanksgiving to start doing that, and then I never feel ready by the time Christmas shows up. I'm starting early this year .. I PROMISE!!! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Unnecessarily hard By NunyaBidness If you want a guitar book that takes simple songs and re-writes them into the most complicated chord combinations you've ever seen, this book is for you. Want to have chord after chord of things like F#m9? This is the book for you. Christmas songs I already know how to play are re-written in the absolutely most complicated chords I've ever seen. SUCKS! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Simple, yet fun and interesting arrangements By D. Alexander I love this book! I originally borrowed this book to play for an informal sing-along. What a wonderful surprise! It has music written at a level that I could easily play after a few readings, but with arrangements that have interesting chord progressions that sound beautiful. Even The Twelve Days of Christmas wasn't boring to play. This is one that I will use for years to come.

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.com The range of styles here is wide enough to include the old religious chestnut "He" alongside John and Yoko's "Happy Christmas (War Is Over)." There is only one instrumental ("The March of the Toys"). The keys are generally chosen for the convenience of the pianist, but you will find some examples of four sharps or four flats. In this collection, the guitar chord names always come with fingering diagrams. Margins are helpfully large, though sometimes the print is light. There are 72 selections. --William R. Braun About the Author Founded in 1947, Hal Leonard Corporation has become the world's largest print music publisher, representing some of the greatest songwriters and artists of all time. We are proud to publish titles of interest to all musicians as well as music lovers, from songbooks and instructional titles to artist biographies and instrument price guides to books about the music industry and all the performing arts.