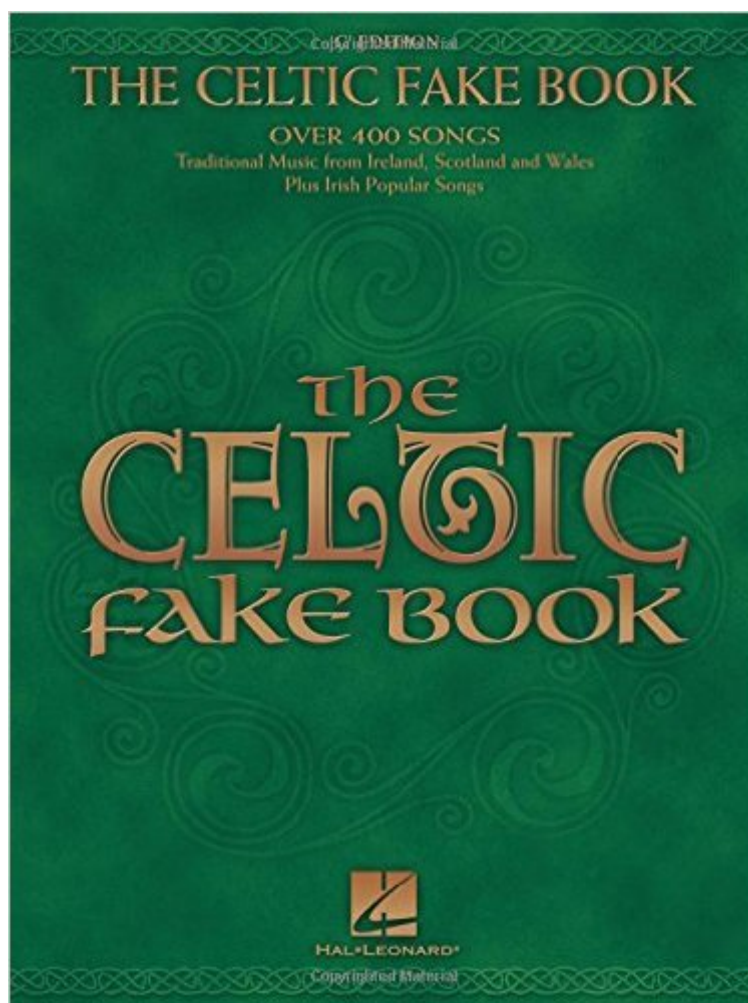


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# The Celtic Fake Book (Fake Books) C Edition



## Synopsis

(Fake Book). The popularity of Celtic music has soared over the last decade due to the resurgence of folk instruments, Celtic dancing, and Irish culture overall. This amazing collection assembles over 400 songs from Ireland, Scotland and Wales complete with Gaelic lyrics where applicable and a pronunciation guide. Titles include: Across the Western Ocean \* Along with My Love I'll Go \* Altar Isle O' the Sea \* Auld Lang Syne \* Avondale \* The Band Played On \* Barbara Allen \* Blessing of the Road \* The Blue Bells of Scotland \* The Bonniest Lass \* A Bunch of Thyme \* The Chanty That Beguiled the Witch \* Columbus Was an Irishman \* Danny Boy \* Duffy's Blunders \* Erin! Oh Erin! \* Father Murphy \* Finnegan's Wake \* The Galway Piper \* The Girl I Left Behind Me \* Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly \* I Know Where I'm Goin' \* Irish Rover \* Loch Lomond \* Molly Malone \* My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean \* My Wild Irish Rose \* The Shores of Amerikay \* The Sons of Liberty \* That's an Irish Lullaby \* When Irish Eyes Are Smiling \* Who Threw the Overalls in Mistress Murphy's Chowder \* and hundreds more. Also includes many Irish popular songs as a bonus.

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## Customer Reviews

I just got this book and I can't believe how many songs there are. They are also listed by their nationality (Irish, Scottish, Welsh). I play a little guitar and I was looking for an Irish song book I could just play the chords with. This book has simple chord charts in the back and tells you which to play during the song. It doesn't give any type of strumming pattern, which would be helpful for me the beginner, it shows just the melody notations. Being in the SCA, it's nice to have so many

traditional songs at my fingertips. It also DOES give a few instrumental pieces, the ubiquitous "Irish Washerwoman" being one of them. I would have liked to have seen a little bit about each song, although I know this is not a history book, but would have settled for a general time frame each song was created in. Other than that, a wonderful resource.

This book is one of the best. I have many, but I always return to this one when I want to play for fun. I play the accordion, and the guitar cords allow me to make music out of the simple melody. It's a great choice, with many songs I never knew existed before I bought this book, and I heard a few. Warmly recommended!

It is a very nice book containing over 400 tunes and songs from Ireland Scotland and Wales. I particularly liked the Hebrides folksongs section, as I have recently listened to some of them and I liked them very much. The book contains sheet music in simple form and simple chords even for someone who is still a beginner in music studies.

This is a great fake book. I play the harp and have found this book extremely useful. It has many pieces of music that I simply couldn't find anywhere else! As far as fake books go (and I own a number of them), this is one of the very best.

First off, I play a 12-string acoustic electric and am more of a strummer than a picker. Due to some hand injuries, I am limited in the keys I can play, so bar chords are out and reaching to play some of the more difficult chords is simply not going to happen. I play mostly, in the major chords like G, C and D. I love Celtic music, but playing it was near impossible until I found this most excellent Fake Book. I can now easily play the songs I enjoy listening too. So if you're like me, have a limited chord repertoire and love celtic music, then this is the book for you.

This book looks great if you're wanting Celtic "songs" to sing. You know, like "My Wild Irish Rose" or "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean." I actually was looking for instrumental music like is heard in Celtic sessions with fiddles, etc... There are a few of those, but not very many so only get the book if you want mostly songs to sing. If you want fiddle tunes, I'd recommend "The Fiddler's Fakebook." There is an alphabetical index as well as an index by country. I use it mostly as a reference.

The book is great and I give it five stars. I love the songs, but I wish I had bought the hard copy. My issue is really with Kindle--I wanted the digital copy to put on my tablet and play from my music stand, but you can't enlarge or zoom the sheet music because it isn't text. What is normally an 8.5" x11" sheet music only measures 4.5"x6" wide on my 14" tablet in portrait mode. I would guess the lyrics to be in font size 6, which is way, way too small to read on a music stand an arm's length away. For my purposes, buying any sheet music through Kindle doesn't work. But the hard copy on the music stand would have been great! Addendum: I just read the reviews of people who bought the hard copy--I didn't realize it also was too small to read from a music stand. I have reduced the stars from 4 to 2.

I am a professional musician. Occasionally my friends and I like to get together and play different types of music for fun. These fake books are great for that and the Celtic one in particular is very nice. It give contents alphabetically and by region (Irish, Scottish, etc.) Anyone who plays a C instrument can play along and there are chord symbols as well as melody line and verses. There are tons of tunes in here including very popular ones as well as ones that aren't as common. This book is a great value for the price if you are looking to have a little fun with Celtic music and have it on hand in case you need it.

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