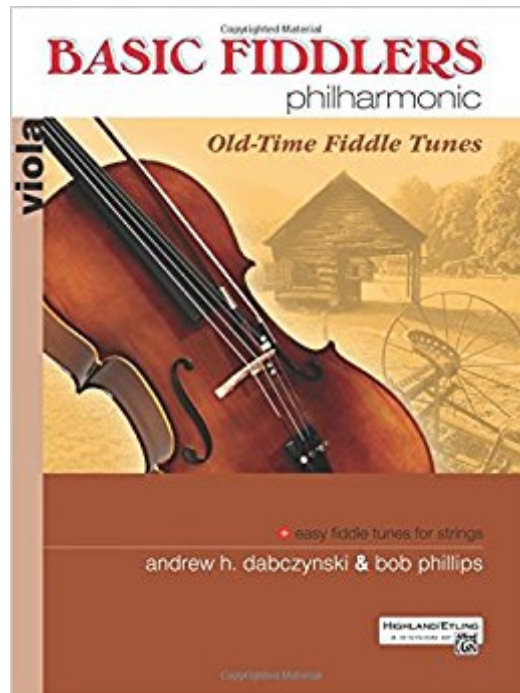




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Synopsis

Basic Fiddlers Philharmonic: Old-Time Fiddle Tunes is absolutely perfect for introducing fiddling to your youngest string players. Eleven tunes from the old-time American fiddling tradition are presented first in a simplified, "basic" version of the tune printed with note names in the note heads. Following the Philharmonic format, the tune is then presented in an "advanced," but still accessible version of the tune. Several options for simple back-ups and very basic improvisation tips are provided for each instrument. Basic Fiddlers Philharmonic keeps each version on its own staff to avoid confusing young readers and lyrics are included where applicable. The accompaniment CD features recordings of both versions as well as a back-up track for play-along at home or in class.

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Customer Reviews

My students and I like all the options offered for each song, a basic tune, an advanced tune, and back-up part with suggestions for improvisation, plus chords. We also like the historical background and lyrics. Our group is able to incorporate beginners and more advanced players of not only violin, but also flute, guitar, banjo and accordion. Have used this series for decades and my beginning students are excited to be able to play real songs with a group.

Even though both the Product Description and the Product Features indicate that there is a CD, neither mentions that the CD is NOT included in this product! Very misleading.

Somehow I missed that this is a book for viola, maybe because of the way the title is printed and it was with fiddle books when I was looking online. Not much in it and it's the same simple songs you could get anywhere.

I like that I have this book on my Kindle. I don't have to carry books around anymore.

This is an excellent collection of basic fiddle tunes, appropriate for beginning to advanced level players. Great material for small ensembles and/or solo fiddlers.

My son has been taking Suzuki violin lesson for about 3 years now and has an interest in fiddling. This is perfect for him to get started.

I'm in my 40s re-starting the violin and although I am learning classically, I need some other fun music to give me a break, in a sense, from the rigidity of the minuets and other forms I am learning. I like fiddle music and this book is full of fun songs that are easy to play! The basic tune is great for really new violinists, and advanced tunes are a nice challenge without being impossible. I play these daily as a warm-up for my harder studies.

I use this book in my lessons with my teacher and in a small ensemble group I play with. Each song has three parts, a very basic part (just half notes), a basic part (with a simple melody) and an advanced part (also with a simple melody). It is great to play the pieces as solos, duets, or with larger groups. There are also chords listed so a guitar or piano can accompany. The music is very easy. I am adult who has been playing violin for less than a year and I can play the music easily. Some kids in my studio use this book too and some of them are as young as 6 or 7.

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