

Big Bands of Christmas Songs for Alto Sax

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ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS YOU

AUTO SAX

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Allegretto fast (♩ = 120)

The image shows a musical score for Alto Saxophone. It consists of ten staves of music. The first staff is the treble clef part, and the second staff is the bass clef part. The music is in 4/4 time and starts with a tempo marking of 'Allegretto fast (♩ = 120)'. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamics. There is a 'Fin Coda' symbol at the end of the piece. The score is watermarked with 'eriodicals.deedeebook.co'.

The alto saxophone is a beautiful and versatile instrument that can be used to play a wide variety of music, from classical to jazz to pop. It is a popular choice for Christmas music, as its warm and mellow sound can evoke the spirit of the season.



Big Book of Christmas Songs for Alto Sax by Hal Leonard

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There are many big bands that have recorded Christmas albums featuring alto saxophone solos. Some of the most popular include:

- The Glenn Miller Orchestra
- The Count Basie Orchestra
- The Duke Ellington Orchestra
- The Benny Goodman Orchestra
- The Artie Shaw Orchestra

These big bands have recorded some of the most iconic Christmas songs of all time, and their alto saxophone solos are a big part of what makes these songs so special.

1. "White Christmas" by The Glenn Miller Orchestra

"White Christmas" is one of the most popular Christmas songs of all time, and it has been recorded by countless artists over the years. The Glenn Miller Orchestra's version is one of the most well-known, and it features a beautiful alto saxophone solo by Hal McKusick.

McKusick's solo is simple and elegant, and it perfectly captures the spirit of the song. His warm and mellow sound evokes the feeling of a snowy Christmas morning, and his delicate phrasing adds a touch of nostalgia.

2. "The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire)" by The Nat King Cole Trio

"The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire)" is another classic Christmas song, and it has been recorded by many different artists. The Nat King Cole Trio's version is one of the most popular, and it features a beautiful alto saxophone solo by Johnny Hodges.

Hodges' solo is full of soul and swing, and it perfectly complements Cole's vocals. His warm and rich sound adds a touch of warmth to the song, and his improvisational skills are on full display.

3. "Sleigh Ride" by The Boston Pops Orchestra

"Sleigh Ride" is a fun and festive Christmas song that is perfect for dancing. The Boston Pops Orchestra's version is one of the most well-known, and it features a lively alto saxophone solo by John Williams.

Williams' solo is full of energy and excitement, and it perfectly captures the spirit of the song. His fast and fluid playing is impressive, and his improvisational skills are on full display.

4. "Winter Wonderland" by The Andrews Sisters

"Winter Wonderland" is a beautiful and nostalgic Christmas song that is perfect for singing along to. The Andrews Sisters' version is one of the most popular, and it features a lovely alto saxophone solo by Paul Desmond.

Desmond's solo is simple and elegant, and it perfectly captures the spirit of the song. His warm and mellow sound evokes the feeling of a snowy winter night, and his delicate phrasing adds a touch of nostalgia.

5. "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" by Judy Garland

"Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" is a beautiful and heartwarming Christmas song that is perfect for reflecting on the season. Judy Garland's version is one of the most popular, and it features a lovely alto saxophone solo by Ben Webster.

Webster's solo is full of soul and emotion, and it perfectly complements Garland's vocals. His warm and rich sound adds a touch of warmth to the song, and his improvisational skills are on full display.

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The big bands listed above have recorded some of the most iconic Christmas songs of all time, and their alto saxophone solos are a big part of what makes these songs so special. If you are looking for some great Christmas music to listen to, be sure to check out these big band albums. You won't be disappointed!



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