

Recommendations for Your Music Collection

Expert picks in the classical, Latin, and world genres, plus *Real Simple's* recommended playlist of sounds classic and new.

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Folk

“Boots of Spanish Leather,” Bob Dylan

“Highway Song,” Aztec Two Step

“Box of Rain,” Sloan Wainwright

“Requiem,” Eliza Gilkyson

Folk Music Picks

Classic Albums

Bob Dylan, *The Times They Are A-Changin'*: Dylan's last fully acoustic album of the 60s captured the tumult of an era

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Judy Collins, *Fifth Album*: Grace, beauty, and enduring songs

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Tom Rush, *The Circle Game*: A deep, resonant voice matches the depth of emotion on this collection

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Phil Ochs, *Pleasures of the Harbor*: Ochs tackled politics with exquisite, simple music

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Aztec Two Step, *Aztec Two Step*: The duo surpasses Simon & Garfunkel for exquisite harmonies, musicianship, and emotion

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New Albums to Try

Dave Carter and Tracy Grammer, *When I Go*: Brilliant and masterful, influenced by everyone from Buddhists to cowboys

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Lowen & Navarro, *Live Radio*: Provocative and spellbinding songs of self-discovery

.

Crooked Still, *Hop High*: Conservatory-trained musicians let loose on traditional bluegrass

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Sloan Wainwright, *Sloan Wainwright*: Her expansive, resonant voice merges with rich folk-rock arrangements

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Eliza Gilkyson, *Paradise Hotel*: Biting and poignant songs on the human condition

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