Subject: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Malfoy on Wed, 21 Nov 2018 02:00:41 GMT
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I love listening to Christmas songs in the church and when the Christmas season is starting. However, during the month of December, I feel like I'm fed up with all the Christmas music that is being played everywhere. Do you also have this relationship with Christmas music?

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by gofar99 on Sat, 01 Dec 2018 22:30:21 GMT
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Hi, With all the commercialization of the holidays and the apparent need for every singer (regardless of how good) feeling the need to butcher the songs.....I don't listen to any of it if I can help it. I have considered even using my FIIO with phones in stores that play it. Sorry to be negative...but that is how I see it.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Rusty on Sun, 02 Dec 2018 16:38:33 GMT
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The soul of Christmas was co opted long ago for commercial purposes. And the tsunami of ads and phony xmas jingles do their part in making the season just something to get over with and done. That being said, there's some great music that has been made in the spirit of Christmas. One of my favorite yuletide movies, Christmas Vacation, theme song. Sung by Mavis Staples.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3tAydn_x3l8

And my personal favorite R&B Christmas tune, Amos Milburn's, Christmas Comes But Once A Year.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=izW2QB1k2LU

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Barryso on Sun, 02 Dec 2018 21:52:04 GMT
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Christmas music is special for quite a few reasons, none of which have anything to do with the holiday.

First, a Christmas tune that gets popular will outlive the rest of the artists library. The only time you hear any Bing Crosby these days is at Christmas. The Waitresses? Same thing. If it wasn't for their holiday tunes they wouldn't get airplay anymore.

The other thing about Christmas tunes is that it is often the only time the average person hears "traditional instruments". Trumpets, flutes, oboes, etc. aren't part of popular music anymore but

are still heard in many Christmas songs.

The holidays are the only time of year we don't disregard older music.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by TheWanderer on Sat, 08 Dec 2018 05:39:57 GMT
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I love the Christmas season, repetitive music included. Hearing the holiday music playing on all the speakers in public really makes it feel like the holidays for me. I like listening to a local radio station that plays Christmas music 24/7 for the month of December every year. It's fun to hum along to while driving.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by sawyer25 on Sun, 16 Dec 2018 11:51:19 GMT
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TheWanderer wrote on Fri, 07 December 2018 23:39I love the Christmas season, repetitive music included. Hearing the holiday music playing on all the speakers in public really makes it feel like the holidays for me. I like listening to a local radio station that plays Christmas music 24/7 for the month of December every year. It's fun to hum along to while driving.

This makes the two of us. Despite the obvious repetition and commercialization, what stands out for me is the merry making that comes with the Christmas season. I have particular classics that I can never have enough of.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Malfoy on Thu, 07 Mar 2019 15:44:14 GMT
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Barryso wrote on Sun, 02 December 2018 15:52The holidays are the only time of year we don't disregard older music.
I can go along with this one, but listening to it over and over again is like listening to a scratched CD. I respect how you guys love to listen to Christmas music, and I agree that Christmas time is the time when the oldies are the popular ones.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Blonk on Tue, 31 Dec 2024 21:00:52 GMT
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I too have this relationship. Even when I was a kid, I loved listening to the Christmas music and singing along, but by the end of the solid month of it I just wished it would end. One of the highlights of life after I switched to listening to heavy metal stations is I only had to deal with, like 3 songs.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by gofar99 on Wed, 01 Jan 2025 01:39:07 GMT
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Hi, this is what I said in 2018 and I still feel that way. Too commercialized and with little real meaning. I don't believe it is necessary to be a follower of any particular faith, but at least the stuff being spouted from all sources should at least be something respectful of the events sincere followers adhere to.

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Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Kingfish on Thu, 02 Jan 2025 18:10:28 GMT
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I get my Christmas music from YouTube, just like all other music, so I choose based on my tastes. I don't consider it commercialized if it's older and on YouTube, where artists might make .0001 per listen.

Little Drummer Boy with Bing Crosby and David Bowie is my favorite.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by The Noise on Tue, 11 Feb 2025 17:27:18 GMT
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I only listen to the Christmas music I save, and it's only during the week of Christmas. I don't want to overplay my favorites. Father Christmas by Greg Lake is my favorite.

Subject: Re: Love/Hate Relationship with Christmas Songs
Posted by Chloe on Wed, 19 Mar 2025 15:06:46 GMT
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Most of the Christmas music that my family and I listen to during the holidays are made by artists like Frank Sinatra and Bing Crosby. There are songs on our Christmas playlist that are more

modern, which I do get tired of, but overall, it's mostly jazz, which is a type of music that I can never dislike. So it depends on the type of Christmas music being played, but I usually enjoy it.