Subject: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Leot55 on Thu, 04 Mar 2021 19:20:34 GMT
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Like many folks, I've amassed a large collection of digital music. It's slowly become difficult to keep it organized. What type of software or personal system do you use for cataloging and tagging your music so that you can easily find what you're looking for? How do you weed out duplicates? What do you use for storing backups?

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Strum Drum on Mon, 08 Mar 2021 02:53:07 GMT
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I used to spend hours sorting my music and movie files and everything would be perfect until the software went out of date, my laptop failed, or something needed to be updated which made things incompatible. Eventually I stopped bothering with it, partially because it was frustrating and partially because I find it unnecessary thanks to smart tech and AI. I store my backups in the cloud. I no longer keep physical copies of digital music.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Vaiger on Wed, 10 Mar 2021 17:43:34 GMT
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I catalog my music by genre and then make sub-categories for some genres. Like country. Slow country versus dark country. Same with rock music. Hair bands..... blues-based, etc....

As far as duplicating selections, the only times I do that is with something like Poison Girl by Chris Whitley which goes well with both my blue-based songs and general country music.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Miami on Mon, 05 Apr 2021 03:37:49 GMT
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You Tube's algorithms do the organizing for me. They are good at suggestions too. I have found good, quality music that way that I might not have found otherwise.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Concorde on Sun, 31 Oct 2021 12:27:01 GMT
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AI is good Miami, but don't become too dependant on it. YouTube is my go-to for music as well, but sometimes they will throw in a suggestion that doesn't make any sense. I can listen to Bruce Springsteen all day, then all of a sudden I'll see a one-hit-wonder song from the 70's. Like.....What? Where did that come from?

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by gofar99 on Mon, 01 Nov 2021 02:13:17 GMT
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Hi, I may be different (my wife thinks so :lol:) anyhow I just use shuffle play most of the time. With a large digital library it works OK as they are songs I wanted to hear in the first place. If I get to one I don't want to hear at the time I just hit skip.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Echo on Mon, 06 Dec 2021 09:48:28 GMT
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I am a bit old school, so I keep everything on my computer in different folders. I use a folder for the artist name, then subfolders for each album etc.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Kingfish on Fri, 10 Dec 2021 13:51:57 GMT
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One of the most effective ways I keep it organized is by going back and seeing which ones I don't want anymore, and trash them. After that, it's easier to re-organize because there aren't as many songs anymore.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by LoveJB on Tue, 21 Dec 2021 21:08:00 GMT
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Wow, different folders for every musician - that's fantastic. I will admit that I have major OCD issues, but organizing music isn't one of my issues. I store it on the cloud, and it's a hot mess.

Subject: Re: Digital music hoarding
Posted by Cole on Fri, 13 Feb 2026 04:59:26 GMT
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Cloud storage has made a lot of things easier in the world. One thing that is also pretty good is that you can also buy extra storage once the one allocated to you gets filled, which is a lovely concept as far as I am concerned.
