Subject: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by Ricardo on Thu, 10 May 2007 10:58:22 GMT

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I read today that major stores will no longer be stocking cassette tapes. I guess it's time to stop, but I do have some nostalgia for cassettes. I used to store digital memory on them from a Sequential Circuits Prophet 600 synthesizer and Drumtrak drum machine, too. Is everybody here ready to say goodbye to the format?

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by colinhester on Thu, 10 May 2007 12:04:10 GMT

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You'll always be able to find cassettes. I wouldn't worry too much. I just bought my first reel-to-reel yesterday for \$15 at an auction. Too bad I didn't know the r2rs were going so cheaply. I could have had pre-recorded tapes for pennies apiece - and there were about 1000!

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by Ricardo on Thu, 10 May 2007 13:39:12 GMT

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That sounds like a great price, colinhester. I'm curious - What do you plan to do with it? I'm sure it would be useful for some audio effects with another system, if nothing else.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by colinhester on Fri, 11 May 2007 05:04:19 GMT

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Haven't the first clue what I'm going to do with it. I have about 1000 78s that I might transfer to r2r, but that would take forever. I just couldn't pass it up at that priceColin

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by Ricardo on Mon, 14 May 2007 11:41:25 GMT

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I agree. You can't walk away from that price. You must have a lot of music that's out of print on those 78s! Have you thought about transferring them to digital recordings? I know it would be very time consuming.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 14 May 2007 16:42:24 GMT

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I've got lots of cassettes because I use them in my Olds. I wanted to keep the stock dashboard, which meant I couldn't use a CD faceplate. I have a nice casette recorder that makes very high quality recordings, so it's pretty good. I also keep a Panasonic reel-to-reel deck in good shape because I think it sounds great.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by Ricardo on Tue, 15 May 2007 13:35:27 GMT

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Hey Wayne. Keeping the vintage tunes in the Olds is definitely a nice touch, and I think cassettes are already nostalgic so that will just get more interesting. I used to have a four track Akai deck but I traded it in years ago before I got into using it much.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by colinhester on Wed, 16 May 2007 12:39:48 GMT

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Do you know a good source for R2R music? All the ones I've heard in recent years were muddy sounding and/or the highs seriously rolled off......C

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 16 May 2007 16:09:34 GMT

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I've never purchased prerecorded music on reels. I always record my own. I record my favorite

vinyl albums on reel-to-reel tape, then can play them often without wearing out the records.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 16 May 2007 16:13:34 GMT

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The tape deck really sounds pretty good too. I just didn't want to butcher the dash.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by randle on Wed, 16 May 2007 22:19:48 GMT

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I have considered going to reel to reel, but space is a problem. I always loved the older things. I waited years before going to CD from Vinyl, making the switch from 8-track to Cassette. I guess I will always be a little bit retro!

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

Posted by busybeehelpers on Fri, 18 May 2007 13:25:31 GMT

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I do not mind so much because it has been so long since I have even purchased or listened to a cassette tape.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by randle on Tue, 26 Jun 2007 15:21:54 GMT

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It actually makes sense to me because for the most part, no one uses casset players so why sale them. They are a waste of space. Everything is either digital and or put on cds so whats the point?

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked?

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I don't see why they would actually sale them anymore. I mean not sale them but stock them like they would cd players. Alot of things work off cds now. So what would be the point. Don't get me wrong, I still listen to tapes every once in a while so they are still being used by someone. But the demand for them is very low.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by sacback on Sun, 16 Sep 2007 19:14:05 GMT

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There isn't too many people who is doing that right now so I think still the demand for cassettes is very low.

Subject: Re: Cassettes No Longer Being Stocked? Posted by sacback on Wed, 26 Sep 2007 17:21:47 GMT

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Wow are you serious? I don't think I could even go back to the whole tape deck thing. I would rather stick with what I know. Plus I don't think I would get much use out of it anyway.