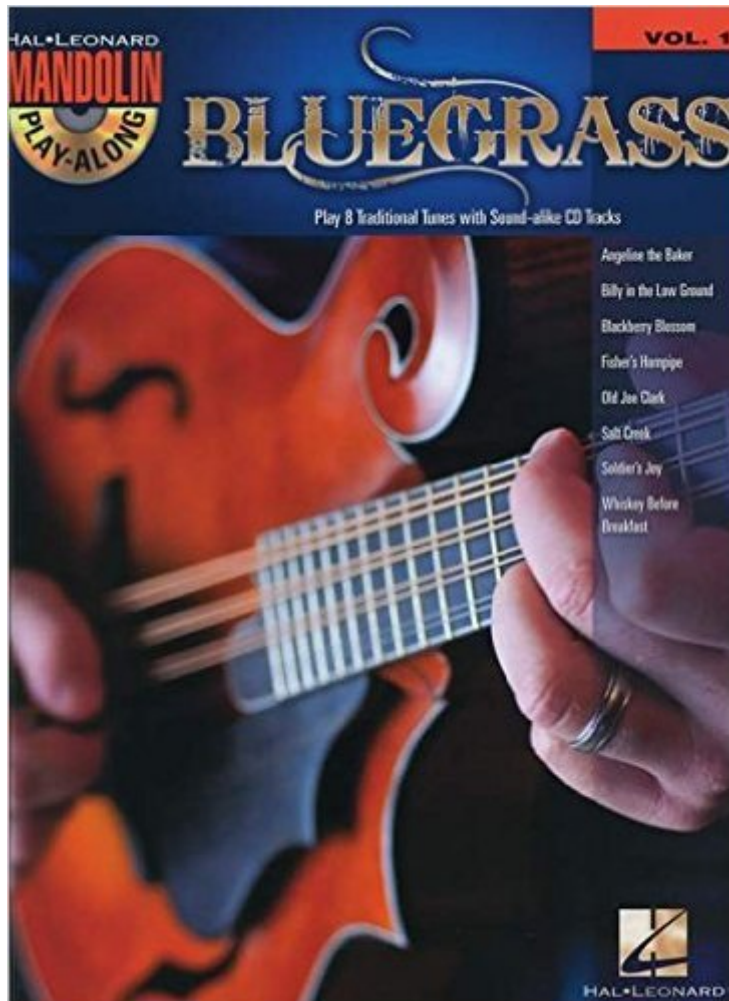


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# Bluegrass - Mandolin Play-Along Vol. 1 (Book/CD)



## Synopsis

The Mandolin Play-Along Series will help you play your favorite songs quickly and easily. Just follow the written music listen to the CD to hear how the mandolin should sound and then play along using the separate backing tracks. Standard notation and tablature are both included in the book. The CD is playable on any CD player and is also enhanced so Mac and PC users can adjust the recording to any tempo without changing the pitch] Songs include: Angeline the Baker \* Billy in the Low Ground \* Blackberry Blossom \* Fisher's Hornpipe \* Old Joe Clark \* Salt Creek \* Soldier's Joy \* Whiskey Before Breakfast.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

My first reaction at this was, oh, another list of standard fiddle tunes with simple CD tracks to learn from. But this modest collection of tunes was actually really fun to play along with. It's not just the simple tune and then a backing track. It's the tune, with interesting accompaniment, sometimes with a cool different slow beautiful intro, then several times played through a little differently each time, then the same thing in a separate track with just the accompanying instruments. Sort of like a jam with a roomful of really good musicians. Not much explanation in the book. Standard musical notation and tablature. Tablature appears to include all of the variances they play on the CD. Print is a bit small but 4-5 pages apiece on several of the tunes (32 pages total) tells you they're showing you how to do all the variances they play on the CD. Each tune has a Demo track and then a

play-along track. I played along with both. The demo track gave me ideas for different takes on the tune, then the play-along track left out the mando part for me to solo. The "changing the tempo" feature means that a "lite" copy of "The Amazing Slow Downer" is included on the CD. I have only tried the Mac version, but I've used a trial version of "The Amazing Slow Downer" in the past, I'm familiar with it, and it does a great job of changing the tempo and the key, if you're interested. The trial version available from the website will only play the first two tracks on a CD. The Lite version that comes with this Mandolin play-along CD will play (and slow down) all the tracks on \*this\* CD, but doesn't seem to want to play anything else. That's fair. Note that you can only slow down the play-along on your computer, not on your CD player.1.

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