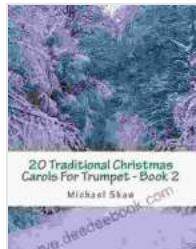


# 20 Traditional Christmas Carols for Trumpet: A Symphony of Joy and Festivity

As the festive season approaches, the air fills with the cheerful sounds of Christmas carols. These beloved melodies evoke a sense of nostalgia, warmth, and the spirit of togetherness. Among the many instruments that grace the Christmas ensemble, the trumpet holds a special place, its vibrant tones adding a touch of grandeur and celebration.

In this article, we present a curated collection of 20 traditional Christmas carols meticulously arranged for the trumpet. These timeless classics, adorned with the trumpet's distinctive sound, will elevate your holiday celebrations and create unforgettable moments.



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### 1. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

This joyous carol, often attributed to Charles Wesley, heralds the birth of the Savior. The trumpet's resonant notes proclaim the angelic chorus's jubilant message, inviting us to join in the heavenly celebration.

**HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING**

(KELMERS)

Music by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy  
Arranged by William H. Cowper

Trumpet

Trumpet

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## 2. O Come, All Ye Faithful

This Latin hymn, originally titled "Adeste Fideles," has become a cherished Christmas staple. The trumpet's majestic tones echo the call to gather and

adore the newborn King, inviting us to share in the spirit of love and unity.



### **3. The First Noel**

This ancient English carol recounts the angels' announcement of Jesus' birth to the shepherds. The trumpet's gentle melody evokes the wonder and awe of that holy night, capturing the essence of the season.

Trumpet Bb

The First Noel  
English carol

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#### 4. Silent Night

This beloved carol, composed in 1818 by Franz Xaver Gruber, paints a serene and peaceful scene of the Holy Family. The trumpet's ethereal notes add a touch of reverence, capturing the tranquility and hope of that sacred night.

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Trumpet in B♭      **Silent Night**      F. Gruber

**Andante.**

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18

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## 5. Joy to the World

This exuberant carol, written by Isaac Watts in 1719, proclaims the joy and wonder of Christ's birth. The trumpet's triumphant fanfare adds to the celebratory spirit, conveying the message of salvation and hope.

## Joy to the World

With energy = c.100

Trumpet in B♭      Piano

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## 6. Away in a Manger

This gentle lullaby, popularized in the 19th century, depicts the humble beginnings of Jesus' birth. The trumpet's tender notes cradle the melody, adding a touch of warmth and intimacy to this timeless classic.

Trumpet Bb

Away In A Manger

James R. Minsey

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## 7. We Three Kings of Orient Are

This traditional Epiphany carol tells the story of the three wise men who followed the star to Bethlehem. The trumpet's regal tones echo the grandeur of their journey, adding a touch of mystery and excitement to the narrative.

**We Three Kings of Orient Are**

One in a bar feels, = c.54

Trumpet in B♭

Piano

This musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the Trumpet in B♭, which begins with a single note followed by a series of eighth-note chords. The bottom staff is for the Piano, featuring a steady eighth-note bass line and eighth-note chords in the treble clef. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is indicated as one feel per bar, equivalent to approximately 54 beats per minute.

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## 8. It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

This beautiful carol, written by Edmund Sears in 1849, reflects on the peace and harmony brought by Jesus' birth. The trumpet's soaring melody adds a touch of ethereal beauty, conveying the celestial nature of the event.

## *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

In the key of F  
(one flat E flat)

Music by Richard Storck  
Lyrics by Edmund Sears

Trumpet Arrangement  
Lower voices  
by Kyle Coughlin

The musical score consists of six staves of music for trumpet and lower voices. The trumpet part is in the upper staff, and the lower voices are in the remaining five staves. The music is in common time. The trumpet part features sustained notes and occasional grace notes. The lower voices provide harmonic support with chords and melodic lines. The key signature is one flat (E flat), and the tempo is indicated as "P" (piano).

## **9. God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen**

This traditional English carol, dating back to the 16th century, invites us to celebrate the birth of the Savior with joy and merriment. The trumpet's festive tones add to the celebratory atmosphere, creating a sense of camaraderie and goodwill.

Trumpet in B<sup>b</sup>    God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

Traditional

Brightly

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fp

mf

f

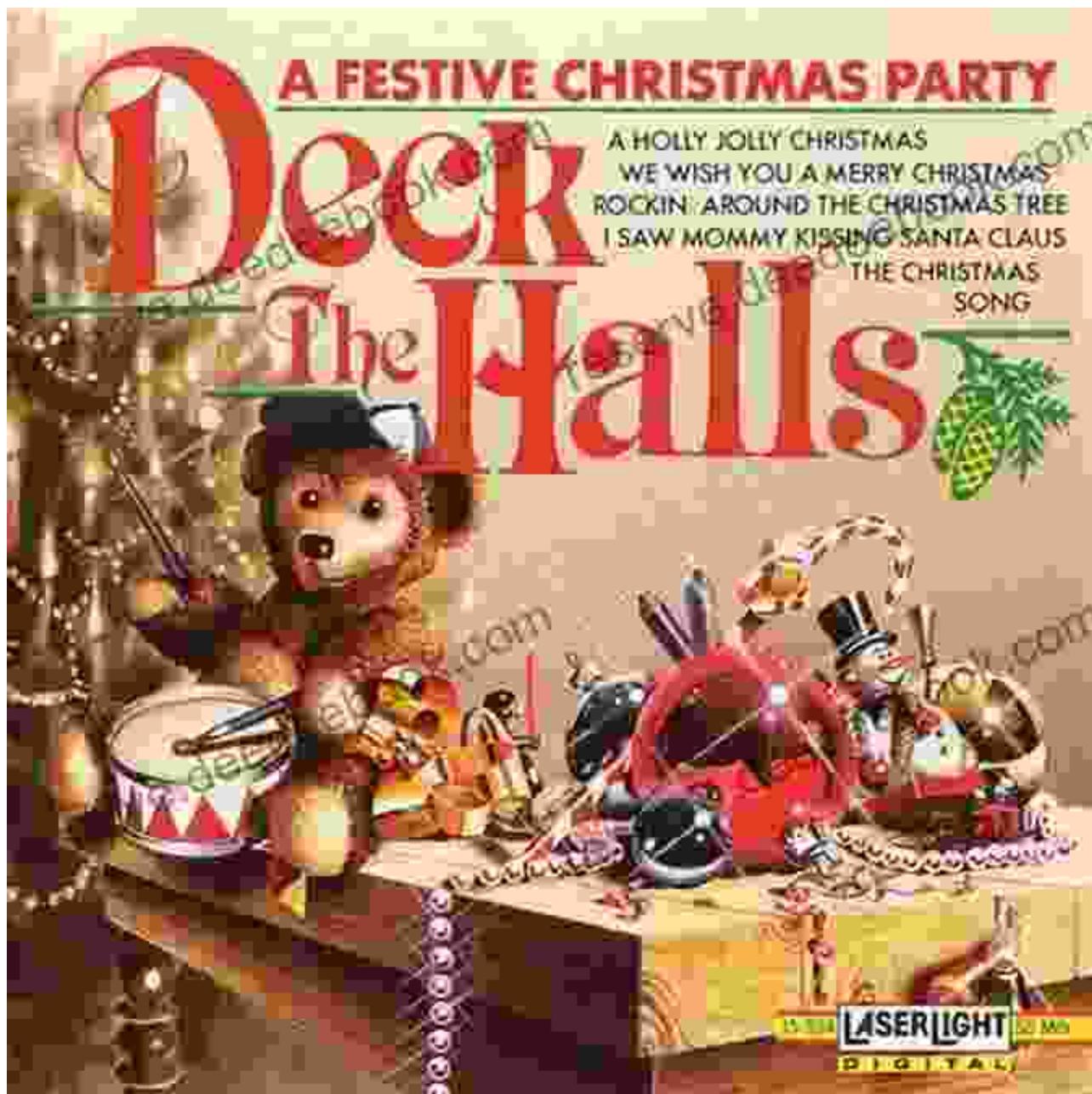
p

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## 10. Deck the Halls

This lively Welsh carol, originally known as "Nos Galan," invites us to decorate our homes and hearts for the festive season. The trumpet's playful melody adds to the merriment, capturing the anticipation and excitement of the holiday.



## 11. The Holly and the Ivy

This traditional English carol celebrates the symbols of Christmas, including the holly and the ivy. The trumpet's graceful melody adds a touch of elegance, capturing the beauty and symbolism of the season.

**The Holly and the Ivy**  
for Piano and Trumpets

Traditional  
Arranged by G.D.J.

**Allegretto**

Trumpet in B♭  
Trumpet in E♭  
Piano

A  
B  
C  
D  
G

## 12. I Saw Three Ships

This traditional English carol tells the story of three ships sailing to Bethlehem to witness the birth of Jesus. The trumpet's nautical tones add a touch of adventure and excitement to the tale.

**Trumpet I**  
(in C)

*The Master's Brain Quintet with Percussion (C Instruments)*

## I Saw Three Ships

Lightly (♩ = 68)

Arranged by Jeff D. Anderson

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### 13. Good King Wenceslas

This traditional English carol tells the story of a generous king who ventured out on a cold winter's day to help the poor. The trumpet's stately melody adds a touch of nobility and compassion to the narrative.



## 14. The Twelve Days of Christmas

This cumulative carol, beloved by children and adults alike, lists the twelve gifts given on each day of Christmas. The trumpet's playful melody adds to the sense of anticipation and excitement as the gifts accumulate.

Twelve Days of Christmas

Hilary Hahn/CM

Allegro

Trumpet in B<sub>b</sub>

Piano

On the first day of Christmas my true love sent to me A Partridge in a pear tree

[2]

On the second day of Christmas my true love sent to me Two turtle doves and a

[3]

partridge in a pear tree On the third day of Christmas my true love sent to me

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A musical score for 'The Twelve Days of Christmas' for trumpet and piano. The score consists of three staves. The top staff is for the trumpet in B-flat, starting with an Allegro tempo. The middle staff is for the piano, providing harmonic support. The bottom staff continues the piano part. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing between the staves. Measure 1 (trumpet part) starts with a eighth-note pattern. Measure 2 (trumpet part) starts with a sixteenth-note pattern. Measure 3 (trumpet part) starts with a eighth-note pattern.

## 15. The Coventry Carol

This traditional English carol recounts the legend of the slaughter of the innocents by King Herod. The trumpet's somber melody adds a touch of poignancy and reflection to this powerful narrative.



## The Coventry Carol

performed and recorded by Tom Bruton

[jaemusdowning@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jaemusdowning@hotmail.co.uk)

### 16. What Child Is This?

This traditional English carol, also known as "Greensleeves," reflects on the identity of the newborn Savior. The trumpet's lyrical melody adds a touch of reverence and wonder, inviting us to contemplate the mystery of the incarnation.



## 17. Ding Dong Merrily on High

This 16th-century English carol celebrates the joy and merriment of the Christmas season. The trumpet's joyful melody adds to the festive atmosphere, creating a sense of celebration and unity.

Ding Dong! Merrily on High

16th Century French Melody

Trumpet 1 in B<sub>b</sub>

Trumpet 2 in B<sub>b</sub>

p dynamic

ff

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## 18. O Little Town of Bethlehem

This beloved American carol, written by Phillips Brooks in 1868, depicts the peaceful and humble surroundings of Jesus' birth. The trumpet's gentle melody adds a touch of tranquility and reverence, evoking the simplicity and beauty of the Holy Night.

Violin

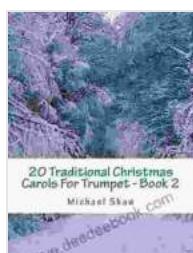
## O Little Town of Bethlehem

Traditional

Andantino

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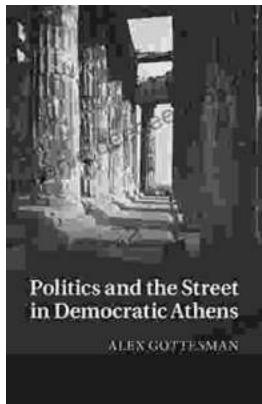
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