Instrumental Music: Geographical Samplers

Virtually every region of Canada has its own distinctive instrumental traditions. The albums listed here give but a glimpse of the richness and breadth of these. The first sub-section deals with sampler albums, while the later segments are arranged geographically from east to west

Canadian traditions favour instrumental music, so there are many more possible entries in this part of the catalogue. We intend to continue chasing down appropriate albums and will be publishing periodic updates in the Canadian Folk Music Bulletin. Any suggestions of other titles will be warmly received.



Le violin with Graham Townsend

If you are interested in seeing how Canadian fiddle styles compare to other styles (e.g. Southern US, Irish, Cajun) then this album is for you. It is a delightful cross-section of a number of styles, played very well.

Stock number:

Cost:

Member's price: \$10.00

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\$12.00

The Great Canadian Fiddle performed by Graham and Eleanor Townsend with Maurice Bolver

This album presents a geographical tutorial of the fiddle styles of Canada. There are tunes from across the country which demonstrate the various approaches to fiddling.

Stock number: S6

Cost: \$10.00

Member's price: \$ 8.00



Old Time Fiddle Tunes played by Jean Carignan

Tunes played by Ti-Jean, the dean of French-Canadian fiddlers. There is a Michael Coleman medley as well as other Irish tunes interspersed with French Canadian pieces. If you ever doubted the connection between French Canadian and Celtic musical styles this album will remove your reservations. Another special feature of this album is the back-up band which includes Marcel Roy (piano), Danny MacDougal (2nd fiddle) and Pete Seeger (banjo).

Stock number: FG3531

Cost: \$11.00

Member's price: \$ 9.00

A Tribute to the Late Ward Allen performed by Jim Allen

Ward Allen was one of Canada's best known fiddlers who composed a number of great tunes (e.g. Maple Sugar). This cassette has been made in his tribute and provides some fine performances of some of Ward's finest songs, as well as some of the more traditional tunes that were a part of his repertoire.

Stock number: RBS5-1253

Cost: \$10.00

Member's price: \$ 8.00