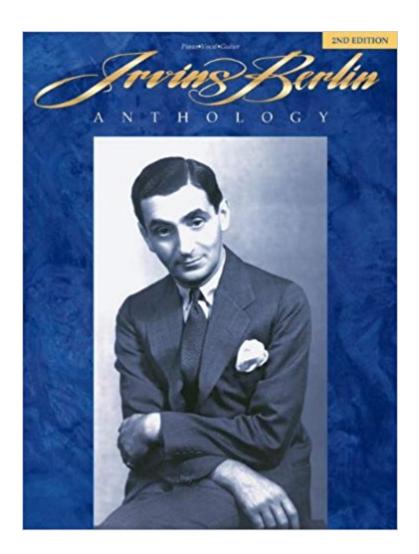
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Can't complain about the number of songs included in this anthology, but the arrangements lacked originality. Most of the pieces give the melody to the piano (often in the left hand) so they can be played as piano solos. I'd rather have seen a piano accompaniment for a vocal soloist.UPDATE: I upgraded my review to five stars because Irving Berlin is a genius, and this book reflects a wide array of his catchiest tunes. Great fun for your next impromptu sing-along with family and friends. If you don't already have a compendium of Berlin hits, this is an excellent place to start.

Irving Berlin is, of course, gold. He also founded ASCAP. His compositions are accessible, but varied enough to remain interesting. They're about right for an intermediate piano player who enjoys standards.

My mother is planning an Irving Berlin-themed Spring performance for her senior citizen choir (average age is 90!) and wanted an anthology to peruse in order to select the songs they will perform. She is over the moon about this book, which contains all of his important work. Perfect!

If you like Irving Berlin (and who doesn't) and you play piano or sing, then this collection will give you all of the most popular songs, as well as some that I did not know was written by Irving Berlin. Loved the first few pages of photos, and brief glimpses into Mr. Berlin's incredible life. I think of all my music books as treasures, but this one I know I will cherish...just so uniquely everything "American".

This seems to be a very comprehensive collection, and it is clearly printed and easy to read. However, the binding is stiff and the pages don't stay open; I will continue to sit on the book with the pages open, with time and persistence I'm hoping the pages won't keep closing on me.

Some of the songs I was looking for were not in this book. It would be great if the add would list the contents in full.

This is a nice group of Irving Berlin songs. Did not like the arrangement of Say it With Music, the piece for which it was purchased, but it is nice to have so many other Irving Berlin songs to try playing (on the organ)

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