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Lyricist's Notebook



Synopsis

Here's a great new journal designed for the introspective poet or the accomplished singer-songwriter. Our musical journals have been strong sellers (The Musician's Notebook sold more than 100,000 copies), and this handsome parchment lyricist's diary promises to follow suit. There's plenty of space for penning soulful lyrics, with inspiration and commiseration in the form of quotes from artists, writers, and musicians, such as Leonard Bernstein, Gilda Radner, and Ernest Hemingway.

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Customer Reviews

I've been writing lyrics and notes in various notebooks that I use for multiple purposes so I liked the idea of having one just for lyrics. This notebook is a nice size, easy to carry with me on the go (in my work bag or in hand). The cover design is unique and fun. At the top of each left side page is a place for the Date & Location, Title, and Inspiration. The rest of the page and the following, right-hand page are lined for writing. Nothing fancy, but useful. At the bottom of each left-hand page is a quote from a musician/songwriter. I like that kind of thing in general, but I was little shocked when I first opened the notebook, the first quote I read was from Lou Reed and it included an F-bomb. I know that many people wouldn't be bothered by that, but I'd prefer not to have that kind of language on something I'm using for creative purposes. I had planned to send one of these to a friend of mine who writes contemporary Christian songs, for fun, so I'm really glad I got one for myself first and noticed that quote because, even though I knew the quotes were secular in nature, I

wouldn't want to send him something like that. Anyhow, for the price, it's a fun, neat little book to contain your musings. I can't vouch for the "clean-ness" of the other quotes because I haven't looked through them all, but if that matters to you, beware of at least that one quote.

I'm really very pleased with this notebook. It's a great size, though a bit large to keep in a guitar case, it will fit very nicely into a gig bag, backpack or purse. I don't think I'd really want it any smaller as it would be too hard to write in. It's nicely arranged with one side of the page for writing down some quick notes, such as the date, title and what inspired the lyrics and the other side is for the "finished" version. It also has guitar chord boxes long the top of the pages, though I don't know that I'll use them, as I like to write chords above the lyrics, but a nice touch none the less. I also like the quotes at the bottom of the pages, a nice bit of inspiration. The only thing that might have made this a little better would be if it was in a spiral form. But that in no way detracts from this nice, little book that I know will get a lot of use!

Love the concept, design, and content of this book. It's really great. However, as other reviewers noted, the glued binding is a poor design. The binding IS going to become a problem with use. The paperback book only stays open (kinda) if you fold the pages against the binding. It really should be spiral bound to be as functional as it should be. That said, the design is awesome - the inspirations inside are great. The publisher just might want to make some improvements on the functional features of it. I also wish there were more pages, because the 5" x 7" book is going to use up more pages than a larger one would, so you are going to run out of room fairly quickly.

I purchased this item as a gift for a young song writer. I was pleased with the professional-looking parchment pages for lyric idea notes, including the format for noting ideas for accompanying chords. Very pleasing are the page bottom notes from composers of all types of music sharing their personal feelings about writing songs.

I actually would've preferred if this book came in a hardcover because I fear the thin paper cover will not withstand an artist's abuse. Another reviewer mentioned swear words in the quotes, I haven't seen anything and I've scoured every page of this notebook. Maybe that was the case in previous releases, but in the 2014 addition there's no such thing. I think this notebook is perfect for guitar students who are learning to write songs and are experimenting with some original pieces. The blank guitar chord charts that adorn each page are perfect for beginners. I would recommend it for

my students, I just worry how well it will hold up.

I purchased this for a 12-yr-old aspiring lyricist, who is currently writing lyrics on everything and anything, when he is not playing computer games. He will love this dedicated notebook, which will allow him to add his inspirations to his lyrics and see the quotes of musical notables. A great little buy.

I gave this to my musician husband for Christmas and it has not left his side since!!! He has found it to be perfect for the song writing process - start to finish!! The presentation (the quotes, cover, etc.) are also really nice!!! Wonderful purchase!!!

This notebook was a gift to my niece for her birthday. She is a poet and a song writer and absolutely loved this! The pages are very simplistic, yet artistic and unique. It is a well composed and beautiful journal for any poet or song writer

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