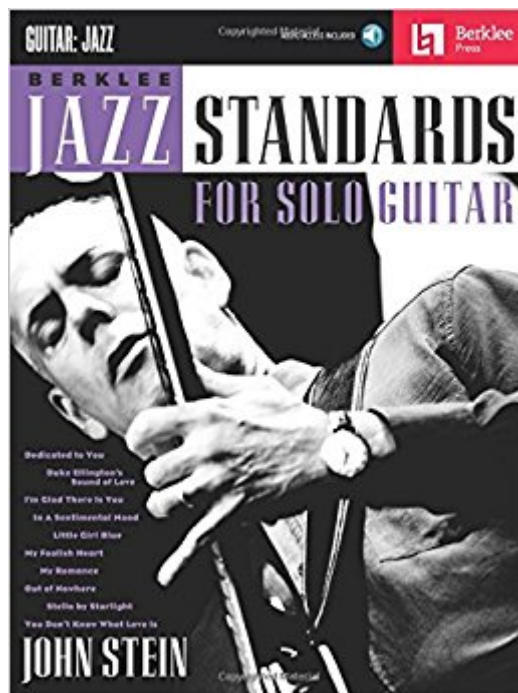




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With just a few listens you'll see these arrangements are second to none. Extremely musical without being "showy", John Stein has assembled 10 arrangements with which you will fall in love! these are arrangements you will be playing 10 years from now-they are that good. Highlights are many, but "My Foolish Heart" and "My Romance" are just as good as chord melody gets. Despite his formal music training there is no elitist jazz snobery here-just great, accessible music. The book is note for note as well-no sloppy auto-transcribing here.

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The tunes in this book are very musically arranged. They are not difficult for an intermediate guitarist. The CD has all the performances and are worth buying.

Excellent lesson material. Will look for more from Berklee pub.

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