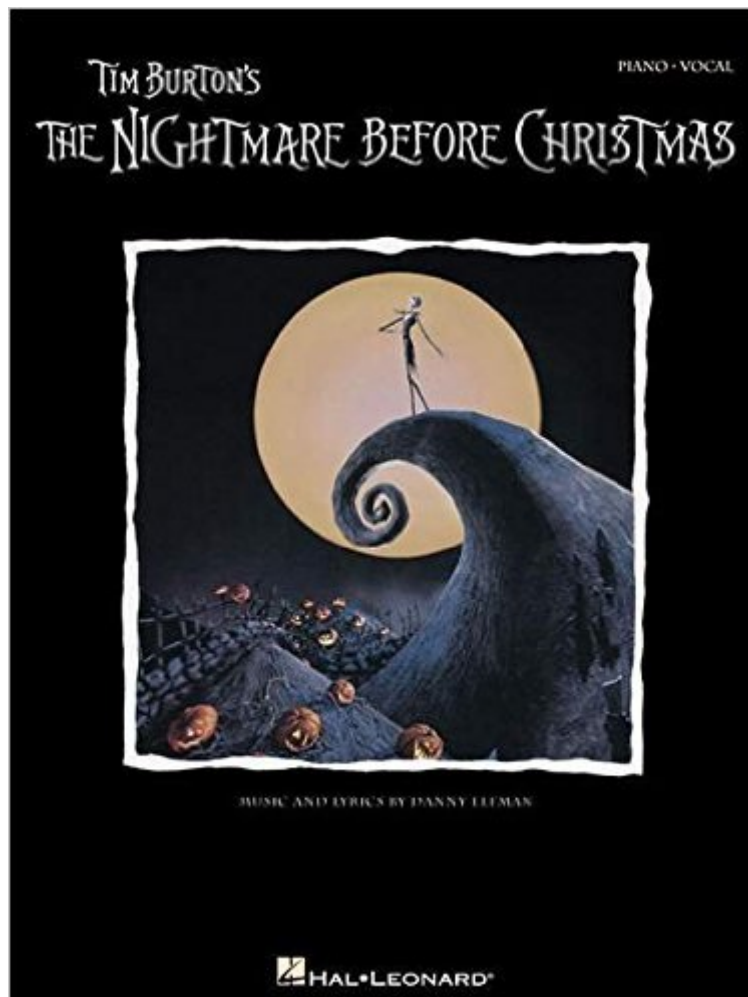


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# Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas: P/V/G (Piano Vocal Series)



## Synopsis

(Piano/Vocal/Guitar Songbook). The revised edition of this book features 11 songs from Tim Burton's creepy animated classic, with music and lyrics by Danny Elfman. Songs include: Jack's Lament \* Jack's Obsession \* Kidnap the Sandy Claws \* Making Christmas \* Oogie Boogie's Song \* Poor Jack \* Sally's Song \* This Is Halloween \* Town Meeting Song \* What's This? \* Finale/Reprise. Now Back in Print!

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## Customer Reviews

I bought this sheet music a few years back (because I could play the piano, and I LOVED the movie), but I found that it was WAY too advanced for my level. I still liked to pretend that I could play it and finger through the easiest songs (like Sally's song). but more recently I pulled it out and decided I would try it again...I thought I improved a little, but it was still SO hard! Then one day I decided I was going to play the entire song of "This is Halloween." So I sat down and began to play...20 minute later I was so frustrated that I had to stop halfway through. Every note in the piece has a different sharp or flat than the one before it, I'm NOT joking. Even though this music is very hard to play (for me, anyway) I gave it 5 stars because I have heard it played by someone who COULD play it, and it was amazing! Even if you're not a master at the piano, I would still recommend it, if only because the music is so great, but it really is hard to play

There's a lot of stuff in this tiny cheap book. It's obviously not aimed at orchestrators but more at the movie fans who expect some nice evenings, singing these excellent tunes. I give this book a 5 because of the guitar chords which are systematically drawn each time they occur. It wasn't expected, especially as we're dealing with a piano vocal song book, so: 2 thumbs up=5 stars !

This is definitely not for beginners, intermediate and up. It's really fun and I think the arrangement is great. Tons of flats and accidentals on many songs, so get ready, but it's worth it if you love this soundtrack.

If you are searching for piano sheet music exactly like what's in the movie, look no further! Some of the songs are fairly simple and straightforward, others are advanced and complex, all of them are fun. Sally's Song and Jack's Lament are easiest for me to play, all of the others are so uptempo and sporadic (curse you and your brilliance Danny Elfman!) that I have a difficult time playing them. I'm sure an advanced piano player could handle it with some degree of ease, but as a self-taught pianist, I struggle with the more difficult pieces. All in all, I would recommend this book to a serious pianist who wants to play something fun.

Jack's Lament  
Jack's Obsession  
All songs should be playable by the intermediate pianist.  
Song List: Making Christmas  
Oogie Boogie's Song  
Poor Jack  
Sally's Song  
Finale/reprise  
Kidnap The Sandy Claws  
This Is Halloween  
Town Meeting Song  
What's This?

I love all things Tim Burton, especially the soundtracks to his movies. Danny Elfman is possibly the most talented composer in Hollywood and it baffles me that not all his music is sold as a piano vocal series, since it is so very suitable for just that. Consequently I was thrilled to find this little book, and I was not disappointed. It is simple enough for a novice to play along based on the chords, and yet sophisticated enough for the more experienced pianist to get a lot out of the instrument. As has been noted elsewhere, the guitar chords are indeed systematically drawn every time they occur, which to me is a fantastic idea. Every Tim Burton/Danny Elfman fan who likes singing and playing the piano should own a copy of this! The second I got my hands on it, I went directly to my piano and did not get up for the next four hours. That's how great it is to be your very own nightmare before Christmas soundtrack!

Great music, however, I do have one complaint: The sheet music isn't for guitar, it's for piano. There

are chords written above the music, but that's a pain. Otherwise, a great book. Mint condition, excellent packaging.

What's This? What's This? A Fantastic Piano Book? Yes. It's the perfect level for me - an intermediate piano player. Some of the songs are a bit challenging, but they are very well arranged and let's face it, The Nightmare Before Christmas is just plain awesome as it is.

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