

A Perfect DJ's List of
Rolling Stone Magazine's Top 500 Songs of All Time

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1. Like a Rolling Stone, Bob Dylan
2. Satisfaction, The Rolling Stones
3. Imagine, John Lennon
4. What's Going On, Marvin Gaye
5. Respect, Aretha Franklin
6. Good Vibrations, The Beach Boys
7. Johnny B. Goode, Chuck Berry
8. Hey Jude, The Beatles
9. Smells Like Teen Spirit, Nirvana
10. What'd I Say, Ray Charles
11. My Generation, The Who
12. A Change Is Gonna Come, Sam Cooke
13. Yesterday, The Beatles
14. Blowin' in the Wind, Bob Dylan
15. London Calling, The Clash
16. I Want to Hold Your Hand, The Beatles
17. Purple Haze, Jimi Hendrix
18. Maybellene, Chuck Berry
19. Hound Dog, Elvis Presley

20. Let It Be, The Beatles
21. Born to Run, Bruce Springsteen
22. Be My Baby, The Ronettes
23. In My Life, The Beatles
24. People Get Ready, The Impressions
25. God Only Knows, The Beach Boys
26. A Day in the Life, The Beatles
27. Layla, Derek and the Dominos
28. (Sittin on) the Dock of the Bay, Otis Redding
29. Help!, The Beatles
30. I Walk the Line, Johnny Cash
31. Stairway To Heaven, Led Zeppelin
32. Sympathy for the Devil, The Rolling Stones
33. River Deep - Mountain High, Ike and Tina Turner
34. You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin', The Righteous Brothers
35. Light My Fire, The Doors
36. One, U2
37. No Woman, No Cry, Bob Marley and the Wailers
38. Gimme Shelter, The Rolling Stones
39. That'll Be the Day, Buddy Holly and the Crickets
40. Dancing in the Street, Martha and the Vandellas

41. The Weight, The Band
42. Waterloo Sunset, The Kinks
43. Tutti-Frutti, Little Richard
44. Georgia on My Mind, Ray Charles
45. Heartbreak Hotel, Elvis Presley
46. Heroes, David Bowie
47. Bridge Over Troubled Water, Simon and Garfunkel
48. All Along the Watchtower, Jimi Hendrix
49. Hotel California, The Eagles
50. The Tracks of My Tears, Smokey Robinson and the Miracles
51. The Message, Grandmaster Flash and the Furious Five
52. When Doves Cry, Prince
53. Anarchy in the U.K., The Sex Pistols
54. When a Man Loves a Woman, Percy Sledge
55. Louie Louie, The Kingsmen
56. Long Tall Sally, Little Richard
57. Whiter Shade of Pale, Procol Harum
58. Billie Jean, Michael Jackson
59. The Times They Are A-Changin', Bob Dylan
60. Let's Stay Together, Al Green
61. Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin On, Jerry Lee Lewis

62. Bo Diddley, Bo Diddley
63. For What It's Worth, Buffalo Springfield
64. She Loves You, The Beatles
65. Sunshine of Your Love, Cream
66. Redemption Song, Bob Marley and the Wailers
67. Jailhouse Rock, Elvis Presley
68. Tangled Up in Blue, Bob Dylan
69. Crying, Roy Orbison
70. Walk On By, Dionne Warwick
71. California Girls, The Beach Boys
72. Papa's Got a Brand New Bag, James Brown
73. Summertime Blues, Eddie Cochran
74. Superstition, Stevie Wonder
75. Whole Lotta Love, Led Zeppelin
76. Strawberry Fields Forever, The Beatles
77. Mystery Train, Elvis Presley
78. I Got You (I Feel Good), James Brown
79. Mr. Tambourine Man, The Byrds
80. I Heard It Through the Grapevine, Marvin Gaye
81. Blueberry Hill, Fats Domino
82. You Really Got Me, The Kinks

83. Norwegian Wood (This Bird Has Flown), The Beatles
84. Every Breath You Take, The Police
85. Crazy, Patsy Cline
86. Thunder Road, Bruce Springsteen
87. Ring of Fire, Johnny Cash
88. My Girl, The Temptations
89. California Dreamin', The Mamas and The Papas
90. In the Still of the Nite, The Five Satins
91. Suspicious Minds, Elvis Presley
92. Blitzkrieg Bop, Ramones
93. I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For, U2
94. Good Golly, Miss Molly, Little Richard
95. Blue Suede Shoes, Carl Perkins
96. Great Balls of Fire, Jerry Lee Lewis
97. Roll Over Beethoven, Chuck Berry
98. Love and Happiness, Al Green
99. Fortunate Son, Creedence Clearwater Revival
100. You Can't Always Get What You Want, The Rolling Stones
101. Voodoo Child (Slight Return), Jimi Hendrix
102. Be-Bop-A-Lula, Gene Vincent and His Blue Caps
103. Hot Stuff, Donna Summer

104. Living for the City, Stevie Wonder
105. The Boxer, Simon and Garfunkel
106. Mr. Tambourine Man, Bob Dylan
107. Not Fade Away, Buddy Holly and the Crickets
108. Little Red Corvette, Prince
109. Brown Eyed Girl, Van Morrison
110. I've Been Loving You Too Long (to Stop Now), Otis Redding
111. I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry, Hank Williams
112. That's All Right, Elvis Presley
113. Up on the Roof, The Drifters
114. Da Doo Ron Ron (When He Walked Me Home), The Crystals
115. You Send Me, Sam Cooke
116. Honky Tonk Women, The Rolling Stones
117. Take Me to the River , Al Green
118. Shout (Parts 1 and 2)], The Isley Brothers
119. Go Your Own Way, Fleetwood Mac
120. I Want You Back, The Jackson 5
121. Stand By Me, Ben E. King
122. House of the Rising Sun, The Animals
123. It's a Man's Man's Man's World, James Brown
124. Jumpin' Jack Flash, The Rolling Stones

125. Will You Love Me Tomorrow, The Shirelles
126. Shake, Rattle & Roll, Big Joe Turner
127. Changes, David Bowie
128. Rock & Roll Music, Chuck Berry
129. Born to Be Wild, Steppenwolf
130. Maggie May, Rod Stewart
131. With or Without You, U2
132. Who Do You Love, Bo Diddley
133. Won't Get Fooled Again, The Who
134. In the Midnight Hour, Wilson Pickett
135. While My Guitar Gently Weeps, The Beatles
136. Your Song, Elton John
137. Eleanor Rigby, The Beatles
138. Family Affair, Sly and the Family Stone
139. I Saw Her Standing There, The Beatles
140. Kashmir, Led Zeppelin
141. All I Have to Do Is Dream, The Everly Brothers
142. Please, Please, Please, James Brown
143. Purple Rain, Prince
144. I Wanna Be Sedated, The Ramones
145. Everyday People, Sly and the Family Stone

146. Rock Lobster, The B-52's
147. Lust for Life, Iggy Pop
148. Me and Bobby McGee, Janis Joplin
149. Cathy's Clown, The Everly Brothers
150. Eight Miles High, The Byrds
151. Earth Angel, The Penguins
152. Foxey Lady, Jimi Hendrix
153. A Hard Day's Night, The Beatles
154. Rave On, Buddy Holly and the Crickets
155. Proud Mary, Creedence Clearwater Revival
156. The Sounds of Silence, Simon and Garfunkel
157. I Only Have Eyes for You, The Flamingos
158. (We're Gonna) Rock Around the Clock, Bill Haley and His Comets
159. I'm Waiting for the Man, The Velvet Underground
160. Bring the Noise, Public Enemy
161. I Can't Stop Loving You, Ray Charles
162. Nothing Compares 2 U, Sinéad O'Connor
163. Bohemian Rhapsody, Queen
164. Folsom Prison Blues, Johnny Cash
165. Fast Car, Tracy Chapman
166. Lose Yourself, Eminem

167. Let's Get It On, Marvin Gaye
168. Papa Was a Rollin' Stone, The Temptations
169. Losing My Religion, R.E.M.
170. Both Sides Now, Joni Mitchell
171. Dancing Queen, Abba
172. Dream On, Aerosmith
173. God Save the Queen, The Sex Pistols
174. Paint It, Black, The Rolling Stones
175. I Fought the Law, The Bobby Fuller Four
176. Don't Worry Baby, The Beach Boys
177. Free Fallin', Tom Petty
178. September Gurls, Big Star
179. Love Will Tear Us Apart, Joy Division
180. Hey Ya!, Outkast
181. Green Onions, Booker T. and the MG's
182. Save the Last Dance for Me, The Drifters
183. The Thrill Is Gone, B.B. King
184. Please Please Me, The Beatles
185. Desolation Row, Bob Dylan
186. I Never Loved a Man (The Way I Love You), Aretha Franklin
187. Back in Black, AC/DC

188. Who'll Stop the Rain, Creedence Clearwater Revival
189. Stayin' Alive, The Bee Gees
190. Knocking on Heaven's Door, Bob Dylan
191. Free Bird, Lynyrd Skynyrd
192. Wichita Lineman, Glen Campbell
193. There Goes My Baby, The Drifters
194. Peggy Sue, Buddy Holly
195. Maybe, The Chantels
196. Sweet Child O' Mine, Guns N' Roses
197. Don't Be Cruel, Elvis Presley
198. Hey Joe, Jimi Hendrix
199. Flash Light, Parliament
200. Loser, Beck
201. Bizarre Love Triangle, New Order
202. Come Together, The Beatles
203. Positively 4th Street, Bob Dylan
204. Try a Little Tenderness, Otis Redding
205. Lean On Me, Bill Withers
206. Reach Out, I'll Be There, The Four Tops
207. Bye Bye Love, The Everly Brothers
208. Gloria, Them

209. In My Room, The Beach Boys
210. 96 Tears, ? and the Mysterians
211. Caroline, No, The Beach Boys
212. 1999, Prince
213. Your Cheatin' Heart, Hank Williams
214. Rockin' in the Free World, Neil Young
215. Sh-Boom, The Chords
216. Do You Believe in Magic, The Lovin' Spoonful
217. Jolene, Dolly Parton
218. Boom Boom, John Lee Hooker
219. Spoonful, Howlin' Wolf
220. Walk Away Renee, he Left Banke
221. Walk on the Wild Side, Lou Reed
222. Oh, Pretty Woman, Roy Orbison
223. Dance to the Music, Sly and the Family Stone
224. Good Times, Chic
225. Hoochie Coochie Man, Muddy Waters
226. Moondance, Van Morrison
227. Fire and Rain, James Taylor
228. Should I Stay or Should I Go, The Clash
229. Mannish Boy, Muddy Waters

230. Just Like a Woman, Bob Dylan
231. Sexual Healing, Marvin Gaye
232. Only the Lonely, Roy Orbison
233. We Gotta Get Out of This Place, The Animals
234. I'll Feel a Whole Lot Better, The Byrds
235. I Got a Woman, Ray Charles
236. Everyday, Buddy Holly and the Crickets
237. Planet Rock, Afrika Bambaataa and the Soul Sonic Force
238. I Fall to Pieces, Patsy Cline
239. The Wanderer, Dion
240. Son of a Preacher Man, Dusty Springfield
241. Stand!, Sly and the Family Stone
242. Rocket Man, Elton John
243. Love Shack, The B-52's
244. Gimme Some Lovin', The Spencer Davis Group
245. The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down, The Band
246. (Your Love Keeps Lifting Me) Higher and Higher, Jackie Wilson
247. Hot Fun in the Summertime, Sly and the Family Stone
248. Rappers Delight, The Sugarhill Gang
249. Chain of Fools, Aretha Franklin
250. Paranoid, Black Sabbath

251. Mack the Knife, Bobby Darin
252. Money Honey, The Drifters
253. All the Young Dudes, Mott the Hoople
254. Highway to Hell, AC/DC
255. Heart of Glass, Blondie
256. Paranoid Android, Radiohead
257. Wild Thing, The Troggs
258. I Can See for Miles, The Who
259. Hallelujah, Jeff Buckley
260. Oh, What a Night, The Dells
261. Higher Ground, Stevie Wonder
262. Ooo Baby Baby, Smokey Robinson
263. He's a Rebel, The Crystals
264. Sail Away, Randy Newman
265. Tighten Up, Archie Bell and the Drells
266. Walking in the Rain, The Ronettes
267. Personality Crisis, New York Dolls
268. Sunday Bloody Sunday, U2
269. Roadrunner, The Modern Lovers
270. He Stopped Loving Her Today, George Jones
271. Sloop John B, The Beach Boys

272. Sweet Little Sixteen, Chuck Berry
273. Something, The Beatles
274. Somebody to Love, Jefferson Airplane
275. Born in the U.S.A., Bruce Springsteen
276. I'll Take You There, The Staple Singers
277. Ziggy Stardust, David Bowie
278. Pictures of You, The Cure
279. Chapel of Love, The Dixie Cups
280. Ain't No Sunshine, Bill Withers
281. You Are the Sunshine of My Life, Stevie Wonder
282. Help Me, Joni Mitchell
283. Call Me, Blondie
284. (What's So Funny 'Bout) Peace Love and Understanding?, Elvis Costello and the Attractions
285. Smoke Stack Lightning, Howlin' Wolf
286. Summer Babe, Pavement
287. Walk This Way, Run-DMC
288. Money (That's What I Want), Barrett Strong
289. Can't Buy Me Love, The Beatles
290. Stan, Eminem featuring Dido
291. She's Not There, The Zombies
292. Train in Vain, The Clash

293. Tired of Being Alone, Al Green
294. Black Dog, Led Zeppelin
295. Street Fighting Man, The Rolling Stones
296. Get Up, Stand Up, Bob Marley and the Wailers
297. Heart of Gold, Neil Young
298. One Way or Another, Blondie
299. Sign 'O' the Times, Prince
300. Like a Prayer, Madonna
301. Do Ya Think I'm Sexy?, Rod Stewart
302. Blue Eyes Crying In the Rain, Willie Nelson
303. Ruby Tuesday, The Rolling Stones
304. With a Little Help From My Friends, The Beatles
305. Say It Loud—I'm Black and Proud, James Brown
306. That's Entertainment, The Jam
307. Why Do Fools Fall In Love, Frankie Lymon and the Teenagers
308. Lonely Teardrops, Jackie Wilson
309. What's Love Got To Do With It, Tina Turner
310. Iron Man, Black Sabbath
311. Wake Up Little Susie, The Everly Brothers
312. In Dreams, Roy Orbison
313. I Put a Spell on You, Screamin' Jay Hawkins

314. Comfortably Numb, Pink Floyd
315. Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood, The Animals
316. Wish You Were Here, Pink Floyd
317. Many Rivers to Cross, Jimmy Cliff
318. Alison, Elvis Costello
319. School's Out, Alice Cooper
320. Heartbreaker, Led Zeppelin
321. Cortez the Killer, Neil Young
322. Fight the Power, Public Enemy
323. Dancing Barefoot, Patti Smith Group
324. Baby Love, The Supremes
325. Good Lovin', The Young Rascals
326. Get Up (I Feel Like Being a) Sex Machine, James Brown
327. For Your Precious Love, Jerry Butler and the Impressions
328. The End, The Doors
329. That's the Way of the World, Earth, Wind and Fire
330. We Will Rock You, Queen
331. I Can't Make You Love Me, Bonnie Raitt
332. Subterranean Homesick Blues, Bob Dylan
333. Spirit in the Sky, Norman Greenbaum
334. Wild Horses, The Rolling Stones

335. Sweet Jane, The Velvet Underground
336. Walk This Way, Aerosmith
337. Beat It, Michael Jackson
338. Maybe I'm Amazed, Paul McCartney
339. You Keep Me Hanging On, The Supremes
340. Baba O'Riley, The Who
341. The Harder They Come, Jimmy Cliff
342. Runaround Sue, Dion
343. Jim Dandy, Lavern Baker
344. Piece of My Heart, Big Brother and the Holding Company
345. La Bamba, Ritchie Valens
346. California Love, Dr. Dre and 2Pac
347. Candle in the Wind, Elton John
348. That Lady (Part 1 and 2), The Isley Brothers
349. Spanish Harlem, Ben E. King
350. The Locomotion, Little Eva
351. The Great Pretender, The Platters
352. All Shook Up, Elvis Presley
353. Tears in Heaven, Eric Clapton
354. Watching the Detectives, Elvis Costello
355. Bad Moon Rising, Creedence Clearwater Revival

356. Sweet Dreams (Are Made of This), Eurythmics
357. Little Wing, Jimi Hendrix
358. Nowhere to Run, Martha and the Vandellas
359. Got My Mojo Working, Muddy Waters
360. Killing Me Softly With His Song, Roberta Flack
361. Complete Control, The Clash
362. All You Need Is Love, The Beatles
363. The Letter, The Box Tops
364. Highway 61 Revisited, Bob Dylan
365. Unchained Melody, The Righteous Brothers
366. How Deep Is Your Love, The Bee Gees
367. White Room, Cream
368. Personal Jesus, Depeche Mode
369. I'm A Man, Bo Diddley
370. The Wind Cries Mary, Jimi Hendrix
371. I Can't Explain, The Who
372. Marquee Moon, Television
373. Wonderful World, Sam Cooke
374. Brown Eyed Handsome Man, Chuck Berry
375. Another Brick in the Wall Part 2, Pink Floyd
376. Fake Plastic Trees, Radiohead

377. Hit the Road Jack, Ray Charles
378. Pride (In The Name of Love), U2
379. Radio Free Europe, R.E.M.
380. Goodbye Yellow Brick Road, Elton John
381. Tell It Like It Is, Aaron Neville
382. Bitter Sweet Symphony, The Verve
383. Whipping Post, The Allman Brothers Band
384. Ticket to Ride, The Beatles
385. Ohio, Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young
386. I Know You Got Soul, Eric B and Rakim
387. Tiny Dancer, Elton John
388. Roxanne, The Police
389. Just My Imagination, The Temptations
390. Baby I Need Your Loving, The Four Tops
391. Band of Gold, Freda Payne
392. O-o-h Child, The Five Stairsteps
393. Summer in the City, The Lovin' Spoonful
394. Can't Help Falling in Love, Elvis Presley
395. Remember (Walkin' in the Sand), The Shangri-Las
396. Thirteen, Big Star
397. (Don't Fear) the Reaper, Blue Oyster Cult

398. Sweet Home Alabama, Lynyrd Skynyrd
399. Enter Sandman, Metallica
400. Kicks, Paul Revere and the Raiders
401. Tonight's the Night, The Shirelles
402. Thank You (Falettinme Be Mice Elf Agin), Sly & the Family Stone
403. C'mon Everybody, Eddie Cochran
404. Visions of Johanna, Bob Dylan
405. We've Only Just Begun, The Carpenters
406. I Believe I Can Fly, R. Kelly
407. In Bloom, Nirvana
408. Sweet Emotion, Aerosmith
409. Crossroads, Cream
410. Monkey Gone to Heaven, Pixies
411. I Feel Love, Donna Summer
412. Ode to Billie Joe, Bobbie Gentry
413. The Girl Can't Help It, Little Richard
414. Young Blood, The Coasters
415. I Can't Help Myself, The Four Tops
416. The Boys of Summer, Don Henley
417. Fuck tha Police, N.W.A.
418. Suite: Judy Blue Eyes, Crosby, Stills and Nash

419. Nuthin' But a 'G' Thang, Dr. Dre
420. It's Your Thing, The Isley Brothers
421. Piano Man, Billy Joel
422. Lola, The Kinks
423. Blue Suede Shoes, Elvis Presley
424. Tumbling Dice, The Rolling Stones
425. William, It Was Really Nothing, The Smiths
426. Smoke on the Water, Deep Purple
427. New Year's Day, U2
428. Devil With a Blue Dress On/Good Golly Miss Molly, Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels
429. Everybody Needs Somebody to Love, Solomon Burke
430. White Man in Hammersmith Palais, The Clash
431. Ain't It a Shame, Fats Domino
432. Midnight Train to Georgia, Gladys Knight and the Pips
433. Ramble On, Led Zeppelin
434. Mustang Sally, Wilson Pickett
435. Beast of Burden, The Rolling Stones
436. Alone Again Or, Love
437. Love Me Tender, Elvis Presley
438. I Wanna Be Your Dog, The Stooges
439. Pink Houses, John Cougar Mellencamp

440. Push It, Salt-n-Pepa
441. Come Go With Me, The Del-Vikings
442. Keep a Knockin', Little Richard
443. I Shot the Sheriff, Bob Marley and the Whailers
444. I Got You Babe, Sonny and Cher
445. Come As You Are, Nirvana
446. Pressure Drop, Toot and the Maytals
447. Leader of the Pack, The Shangri-Las
448. Heroin, The Velvet Underground
449. Penny Lane, The Beatles
450. By the Time I Get to Phoenix, Glem Campbell
451. The Twist, Chubby Checker
452. Cupid, Sam Cooke
453. Paradise City, Guns n' Roses
454. My Sweet Lord, George Harrison
455. All Apologies, Nirvana
456. Stagger Lee, Lloyd Price
457. Sheena Is a Punk Rocker, Ramones
458. Soul Man, Sam and Dave
459. Rollin' Stone, Muddy Waters
460. One Fine Day, The Chiffons

461. Kiss, Prince
462. Respect Yourself, The Staple Singers
463. Rain, The Beatles
464. Standing in the Shadows of Love, The Four Tops
465. Surrender, Cheap Trick
466. Runaway, Del Shannon
467. Welcome to the Jungle, Guns n' Roses
468. Search and Destroy, The Stooges
469. It's Too Late, Carole King
470. Free Man in Paris, Joni Mitchell
471. On the Road Again, Willie Nelson
472. Where Did Our Love Go, The Supremes
473. Do Right Woman, Do Right Man, Aretha Franklin
474. One Nation Under a Groove, Funkadelic
475. Sabotage, Beastie Boys
476. I Want to Know What Love Is, Foreigner
477. Super Freak, Rick James
478. White Rabbit, Jefferson Airplane
479. Lady Marmalade, Labelle
480. Into the Mystic, Van Morrison
481. Young Americans, David Bowie

482. I'm Eighteen, Alice Cooper
483. Just Like Heaven, The Cure
484. I Love Rock 'N Roll, Joan Jett
485. Graceland, Paul Simon
486. How Soon Is Now?, The Smiths
487. Under the Boardwalk, The Drifters
488. Rhiannon (Will You Ever Win), Fleetwood Mac
489. I Will Survive, Gloria Gaynor
490. Brown Sugar, The Rolling Stones
491. You Don't Have to Say You Love Me, Dusty Springfield
492. Running on Empty, Jackson Browne
493. Then He Kissed Me, The Crystals
494. Desperado, The Eagles
495. Shop Around, Smokey Robinson and the Miracles
496. Miss You, The Rolling Stones
497. Buddy Holly, Weezer
498. Rainy Night in Georgia, Brook Benton
499. The Boys Are Back in Town, Thin Lizzy
500. More Than a Feeling, Boston