



# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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## ARTIST TITLE

**Ricky Nelson**  
**The Ballads Of Ricky Nelson**

LABEL  
CATALOG #  
PRICE-CODE  
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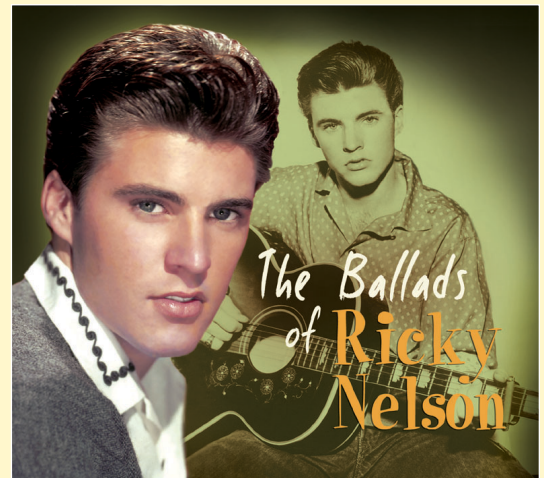
Bear Family Productions  
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FORMAT  
GENRE  
TRACKS  
PLAYING TIME

1 CD digipac with 36-page booklet  
Rock 'n' Roll / Teenager  
30  
72:12



- 30 essential tracks, recorded between 1957-62, for the VERVE and IMPERIAL labels.
- An eclectic compilation of Ricky Nelson's ballads, juxtaposing sixteen well-known hits alongside lesser-known B-sides and LP tracks.
- Includes the million-selling *Poor Little Fool*, *Lonesome Town*, *A Teenager's Romance*, *Never Be Anyone Else But You*, *Young World* and *Teen Age Idol*.
- Also features B-sides like *Have I Told You Lately That I Love You* and *Don't Leave Me This Way*, as well as killer album tracks like *Someday (You'll Want Me To Want You)*, which was also a UK hit single, *Half Breed*, *Unchained Melody*, *Honeycomb* and *Restless Kid*.
- The lavish, 36-page booklet comprises in-depth liner notes, rare photos and a detailed discography.

## INFORMATION

Ricky Nelson was just sixteen years old when he cut his first record in 1957. But his cover of Fats Domino's *I'm Walkin'* quickly outsold the original version and set Ricky up for a career which would see him become a major Teen Idol, second only to Elvis during the 50s.

Whilst he was known predominantly as a rocker, this unique compilation presents thirty of Ricky's most memorable R&R ballads, recorded between 1957-62. Included are sixteen US hits, including his first #1 *Poor Little Fool*, alongside a carefully-chosen selection of B-sides and album tracks.

Although he was a massive R&R star himself, Ricky remained a lifelong fan of artists like Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis, and his LPs often reflected this, frequently including cover versions of their material. The pick of Ricky's cover versions can be found on this compilation.

'The Ballads of Ricky Nelson' is presented in digipac format and features all the usual high standard BEAR FAMILY trademarks; a 36-page booklet with abundant photographs, biographical information and full discographical and session details of the featured tracks.

Check our website for more releases in the 'Ballads' series!  
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## TRACK LISTING

Poor Little Fool • I'll Walk Alone • Lonesome Town • I'm Feelin' Sorry • A Teenager's Romance • Someday (You'll Want Me To Want You) • You're My One And Only Love • Don't Leave Me This Way • Have I Told You Lately That I Love You (single version) • Trying To Get To You • Never Be Anyone Else But You • I Can't Help It • Sweeter Than You • Honeycomb • I Wanna Be Loved • Young Emotions • Unchained Melody • I'm Not Afraid • I'm Confessin' • You Are The Only One • Half Breed • A Wonder Like You • True Love • Everlovin' • Restless Kid • Young World • Proving My Love • Teen Age Idol • Everybody But Me • It's Up To You

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