



### 1 - Red Sovine - Here It Is, Christmas

From The King of the Bummer Christmas, this has to be the most depressing one yet.

# 2 - The Ebineezer Scrooge Appreciation Society - Hang On Rudolph From Double Crown Records "Seasonal Favorites, Vol. 1". I know nothing more.

3 - The Donnas - Up On The House Top

From a 2009 WalMart-only compilation, apparently.

4 - The Marx Brothers - Sanity Clause

# ${\bf 5}$ - Wild Billy Childish & the Musicians of the British Empire - Santa Claus

From the best garage rock Xmas album ever, 2007's "Christmas 1979". Dig it!

## 6 - Hanoi Rocks - Dead By Xmas

A seasonal death wish from the world's last hard rock band. From 1982's "Self Destruction Blues".

#### 7 - Blondie - We Three Kings

Debbie and the gang gave this one away to fans in 2009.

## 8 - The Cats & The Fiddle - Hep Cat Holiday

Maybe our oldest track ever. From 1940!

#### 9 - David Myles - Santa Never Brings Me A Banjo

From Classified's "Inner Ninia" co-hort's new "It's Christmas with..." album.

#### 10 - Rhett Miller & Sydney Waysef - Chistmas Is Coming

Rhett's put out a number of Xmas ditties over the years with the Old 97's. Here's one from last year.

#### 11 - Shinyribs - TwangTrust Xmas Greeting

#### 12 - Sarah Harmer - Country Christmas

From a new comp benefitting a music program for Kingston, ON's Boys & Girls Club, "Christmas is for Boys & Girls". Do what's right - you still need to buy it for the Oh Susanna cut!

# 13 - J. W. Thompson & Little Betty Ashley - The Christmas Dolly Truly glorious sap.

#### 14 - Joseph Arthur - Please, Don't Get Drunk This Christmas

Featuring R.E.M.'s Mike Mills on bass and vocals, Joseph did this one last year for the A.V. Club.

# 15 - Bob Dorough/Miles Davis - Blue Xmas (To Whom It May Concern) A 1962 side from the guy who brought us School House Rock. And Miles Davis! Check out the full

A 1962 side from the guy who brought us School House Rock. And Miles Davis! Check out the fu story in a great new Xmas music film, "Jingle Bell Rocks!" at a theater or DVD retailer near you.

## 16 - Meiko - Maybe Next Year

2007. Big thanks for this (and at least four other cuts this year) to Rosie Supan!

## 17 - Tracy Bonham - Santa's Hungry

Part 2 of this song is on Tracy's "All I Wish Every Christmas" EP, but this one is way creepier.

# 18 - Josh Weller, Paloma Faith & the Arctic Circle Ensemble & the Puffin Voices - It's Christmas (& I Hate You)

From the 2008 Fuzzy Feeling EP. A bunch of Limey's I've never heard of. But it's great!

# 19 - The Both - Nothing Left To Do (Let's Make This Christmas Blue)

We were lucky to see Aimee Mann and Ted Leo at the Folk Fest this year. They're currently on a Christmas tour with John Hodgeman and Bangle Susanna Hoffs. Sigh.

# 20 - The Watson Twins - This Holiday

A sublime folk-pop ditty from 2013.

#### 21 - Mark Kozelek - I Believe In Father Christmas

Some thought Mark was in serious competition for jerk-of-the-year, but he still released one of the year's best albums (Sun Kil Moon's "Benji", did a brilliant show at the W.E.C.C. and even made a swell Christmas album, "M.K. Sings Christmas Carols". My copy is the first one he ever autographed.

## 22 - Charles Bradley - Every Day Is Christmas (When I'm Lovin' You)

A Dap-Tone side from 2010.

#### 23 - Mike Plume - Angels in the Snow

After treating us to many original Xmas songs over the years, Mike finally made a genuine Xmas record last year called "Back Home for Christmas".

#### 24 - John Entwistle - I Believe in Everything

One of the main songs that kindled my obsession for cool rockin' Christmas music. From the first solo album from a member of The Who, 1971's "Smash Your Head Against The Wall"

#### 25 - Blue Rodeo & Kathleen Edwards - Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

This song is on Blue Rodeo's new Christmas album but it doesn't have special guest Kathleen Edwards on it. This is live on Strombo's "The Hour" from a couple years back.

#### BONUS - The Smothers Brothers - The Christmas Bunny

TRACK A double-sided single from 1969. Thanks Dave!







# JOSEPH ARTHUR

PLEASE DADDY, DON'T GET DRUNK THIS CHRISTMAS



BLUE XMAS (TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

# MEIKO

MAYBE NEXT CHRISTMAS



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SPECTACULAR

# TRACY BONHAM

SANTA'S HUNGRY

### JOSH WELLER, PALOMA FAITH & FRIENDS

IT'S CHRISTMAS (AND I HATE YOU)

# THE BOTH

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MIKE PLUME

# ANGELS IN THE SNOW



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THE CHRISTMAS BUNNY