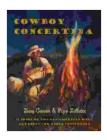
# Cowboy Concertina: 75 Songs of the Old American West

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The concertina is a relatively new instrument, having been invented in the early 19th century. However, it quickly became popular in the American West, where it was used by cowboys, miners, and other frontiersmen to play music and entertain themselves. The concertina is a versatile instrument that can be used to play a variety of musical styles, from traditional folk songs to popular tunes. It is also a relatively easy instrument to learn to play, making it a good choice for beginners.

#### The Concertina

The concertina is a small, handheld instrument that is played by pressing buttons with the fingers. The buttons are arranged in a hexagonal pattern, and each button plays a different note. The concertina has a bellows that is used to pump air through the instrument, and the sound is produced when the air passes over the reeds. The concertina is a relatively lightweight instrument, making it easy to carry around, and it is also relatively inexpensive, making it a good choice for musicians on a budget.

#### The Songs

The songs in Cowboy Concertina are a mix of traditional cowboy ballads and popular tunes of the era. The songs are arranged for concertina in a variety of keys and styles, making them accessible to players of all levels. The book also includes a glossary of terms and an index of songs, making it easy to find the songs you want to play.

#### **Playing the Songs**

The songs in Cowboy Concertina are relatively easy to play, making them a good choice for beginners. However, there are a few things to keep in mind when playing these songs. First, it is important to use a light touch when

pressing the buttons. This will help to prevent the reeds from sticking and will also produce a cleaner sound. Second, it is important to keep the bellows moving constantly. This will help to maintain a steady flow of air and will also help to prevent the instrument from overheating. Finally, it is important to practice regularly. The more you practice, the better you will become at playing these songs.

#### Glossary

The glossary in Cowboy Concertina provides definitions for a variety of terms that are used in the book. These terms include musical terms, as well as terms that are specific to the concertina. The glossary is a valuable resource for anyone who wants to learn more about the concertina or who wants to play the songs in the book.

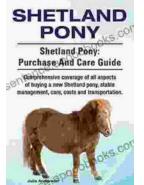
#### Index

The index in Cowboy Concertina lists all of the songs in the book by title. The index also includes the page number where each song can be found. The index is a valuable resource for anyone who wants to quickly find a specific song in the book.

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