

Christmas Songs by Sinatra

78 RPM Albums

Label 39D

Mono

C-167

Red label with Columbia notes and CBS microphone at top.

Under COLUMBIA is written a two-line patent and trademark statement. Reference to the patent number has been removed.

First appearance in *Billboard*: October 30, 1948



CHRISTMAS SONGS BY SINATRA (4-10") **80**
 Frank Sinatra
 (Axel Stordahl Ork)
 (Columbia C-167)

Silent Night; Adeste Fideles; O Little Town of Bethlehem; It Came Upon the Midnight Clear; Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas; Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town; White Christmas; Jingle Bells. There should be a brisk sale of this presentation come holiday time, what with the highly salable combination of Sinatra and Christmas. The mixture of carols and pops offers a well-rounded assortment, with Frankie doing the latter type in top form, and the former only passably. The note-bending and special inflections that are his style make pretty things out of "White Christmas," "Santa Claus" and "Have Yourself." The "Jingle Bells" is done at an unusually slow tempo, ballad style, to incongruous effect. The carols, which he does gravely and with legit phrasing and intonation come out shy in forcefulness and penetration. This figure to be only a small drawback sales-wise, naturally.

JUKES
 Pop sides may figure for a brief, seasonal flurry.

JOCKS
 Album will be a perennial holiday asset for spinners.



10" LP Albums

Label 48

Mono

CL-6019

Red label with "long playing" and "microgroove" at the bottom



At the end of 1962, when Columbia began to press extended play 45's, their artists redesigned the cover to this record – using the same design for both the LP and EP formats. The LP was available through 1954.



Label 55

Mono

CL-2542

Red and black label with six camera/eye logos.
Issued 1955.



Columbia deleted their ten-inch LP lines in 1955, but they issued a new "House Party" series. This release contains six of the eight songs that were on the earlier album.

12" LP Albums

Label 55

Mono

CL-1032

Red and black label with six camera/eye logos.
Billboard: October 7, 1957.



For the new twelve-incher, Columbia reassembled the entire Christmas Songs set and added two singles sides: "Christmas Dreaming" (Columbia 37809) and "Let it Snow" (Columbia 39069).

Harmony Label 66

Mono

HL-7400

Black label.

Billboard: October 29, 1966.



For the budget-line record, Columbia reduced the number of songs from twelve to nine. The cover indicates a title change from *Christmas Dreaming*.

Harmony Label 66

Rechanneled Stereo

HS-11200

Black label.

Billboard: October 29, 1966.



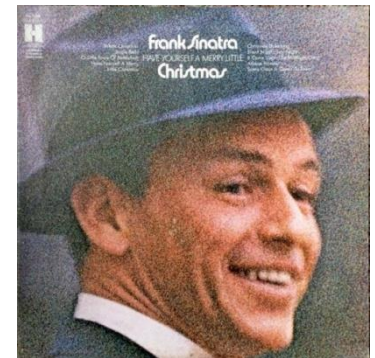
Harmony Label 68

Rechanneled Stereo

HS-11200

Brown label.

Issued 1968.



Label 70

Rechanneled Stereo

C-40707

Red label with COLUMBIA around the perimeter.

Issued 1987 with 11 songs.

