

# Music Page



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## MUSIC REVIEW

### VARIOUS ARTISTS: MONSTER BALLADS

If you are just not into R& B, Soft Rock, Country, or "Boy Bands," but are looking for some good ballads to listen to with your significant other this Valentine's Day, this 16-track collection that can be found in just about any CD store might be the way to go. I give this one very high marks, because if you can overlook a few weak tracks, such as Mr. Big's "To Be With You," and Kix's "Don't Close Your Eyes," there is one classic power ballad after another: "Wind Of Change," "When I See You Smile," "Is This Love," "Headed For A Heartbreak," "Heaven," "Something To Believe In," and more. If you have even the slightest interest in the power ballads of yesteryear (they never get old), this album is essential listening. Remember girls, "every boy has his soft side." So, be sure to pick this one up, and enjoy SNUGGLING as the MUSIC plays.

**Note:** Avoid the 35-track collection offered on television. The cream of the crop is right here, and you save lots of \$\$\$!

#### Rating System:

**F:** Don't Waist Your Time & \$\$\$

**D:** Below Average, A Snoozer

**C:** Average, But Not Essential For Your Collection

**B:** Above Average, A Must Buy

**A:** A Timeless Classic That You Need To Buy Now!



## THE TOP 5 CD'S OF 1999

- 1: LIMP BIZKIT : SIGNIFICANT OTHER
- 2: THE RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS : CALIFORNICATION
- 3: TIM MCGRAW : PLACE IN THE SUN
- 4: BRITNEY SPEARS : ...BABY ONE MORE TIME
- 5: EMINEM : THE SLIM SHADY LP

## COUGAR CRY'S TOP 12 CD'S OF THE MONTH

- 1: VARIOUS ARTISTS: NOW 3
- 2: METALLICA: S & M
- 3: LIVE: THE DISTANCE TO HERE
- 4: LED ZEPPELIN: EARLY DAYS: THE BEST OF LED ZEPPELIN, VOL. ONE
- 5: CHRISTINA AGUILERA: CHRISTINA AGUILERA
- 6: TRACY BYRD: IT'S ABOUT TIME
- 7: VARIOUS ARTISTS: MONSTER BALLADS
- 8: STAINED: DYSFUNCTION
- 9: GUNS N' ROSES: 1987-1993: THE LIVE ERA
- 10: 2PAC & OUTLAWZ: STILL I RISE
- 11: POWERMAN 5000: TONIGHT THE STARS REVOLT!
- 12: TYPE O NEGATIVE: WORLD COMING DOWN

