

Essential Jazz Recording Shopping List

If you are starting a jazz collection, consider these recordings as your first list. They are some of the most influential small group jazz recordings. This is not a comprehensive list, but a great start for your collection.

Cannonball Adderley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Mercy, Mercy, Mercy 	Dave Brubeck <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Time Out
Clifford Brown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Study In Brown <input type="checkbox"/> Clifford Brown & Max Roach 	Ornette Coleman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Free Jazz <input type="checkbox"/> The Shape of Jazz to Come
John Coltrane <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A Love Supreme <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Train <input type="checkbox"/> Giant Steps <input type="checkbox"/> Impressions 	Miles Davis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Kind of Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Steamin' With the Miles Davis Quintet <input type="checkbox"/> Miles Smiles <input type="checkbox"/> Round Midnight <input type="checkbox"/> Sketches of Spain
Dave Liebman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Live at the Lighthouse <input type="checkbox"/> Quest <input type="checkbox"/> Quest II <input type="checkbox"/> Tribute to John Coltrane <input type="checkbox"/> Pendulum 	Steve Davis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Explorations and Impressions <input type="checkbox"/> Lynne Arriale Trio – Live at Montreux
Bill Evans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Village Vanguard Sessions <input type="checkbox"/> Conversations with Myself 	Stan Getz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Getz/Gilberto
Herbie Hancock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Maiden Voyage <input type="checkbox"/> Empyrean Isles 	Thelonius Monk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Brilliant Corners <input type="checkbox"/> Misterioso
Charlie Parker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Essential Charlie Parker 	Bud Powell <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Genius of Bud Powell
Sonny Rollins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Saxophone Colossus <input type="checkbox"/> A night at the Village Vanguard 	Wayne Shorter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Speak No Evil <input type="checkbox"/> Ju Ju
McCoy Tyner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Real McCoy <input type="checkbox"/> Tender Moments 	Joe Henderson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Inner Urge <input type="checkbox"/> State of the Tenor
Eric Dolphy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Out There 	Lee Morgan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Sidewinder
Keith Jarrett <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Standards Vol. 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Standards Vol. 2 <input type="checkbox"/> The Cure 	Michael Brecker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Brecker <input type="checkbox"/> Pilgrimage