

DISCOGRAPHY

There are more good records in circulation than there are hours in a lifetime! If I had to pare down the most bass-relevant records to a short must-have list, this would be it. Some of these bassists are not electric players, or play both acoustic and electric. But still they are masters of the bass and deserve your attention. I managed to resist listing any one bassist more than once... except Jaco, because he inspired me to start the instrument in the first place!

Even for the more prolific bassists, I have listed just one album which introduces their playing to you. I am not suggesting it is their “best” album - it is just listed to whet your appetite for further listening.

RECORD TITLE	LABEL	BASSIST	LEADER
Art of the Trio Vol.3	Warner	Larry Grenadier	Brad Mehldau
Bass Desires	ECM	Marc Johnson	Marc Johnson
Bent	Alchemy	Gary Willis	Gary Willis
Best of Medeski, Martin, Wood	Ryko	Chris Wood	Medeski, Martin, Wood
Black Codes	Sony	Charnett Moffett	Wynton Marsalis
Both Worlds	Dreyfus	Anthony Jackson	Michel Petrucciani
Bottom Lines	Milestone	George Mraz	George Mraz
Brand New Day	A&M	Sting	Sting
Brecker Brothers Live	JazzDoor	James Genius	Michael Brecker
Bright Size Life	ECM	Jaco Pastorius	Pat Metheny
ELB	ACT	Michel Benita	Erskine,Benita,Lê
Emergence	ECM	Miroslav Vitous	Miroslav Vitous
Everybody on the Bus	Lightyear	Rocco Prestia	Francis Rocco Prestia
Friends Forever	Milestone	Niels-henning-Ørsted	Pederson
Guitar & Bass	Sony	Alphonso Johnson	John McLaughlin
Heart of the Bass	Stretch	John Patitucci	John Patitucci
Influences	Polydor	Mark King	Mark King
Jaco Pastorius	CBS	Jaco Pastorius	Jaco Pastorius
Jing Chi	Tone Center	Jimmy Haslip	Vinnie Colaiuta
Kind of Blue	CBS	Paul Chambers	Miles Davis

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Live at Rocco	Fuzzy	Dave Carpenter	Peter Erskine
Live at the Royal Festival Hall	JMT	Kai Eckhardt	John McLaughlin
M2	Telarc	Marcus Miller	Marcus Miller
Maghreb and Friends	ACT	Michel Alibo	Nguyễn Lê
My Song	ECM	Palle Danielsson	Keith Jarrett
Nocturne	Universal	Charlie Haden	Charlie Haden
One of a Kind	EG	Jeff Berlin	Bill Bruford
Orchestra	ECM	Eberhard Weber	Eberhard Weber
Original Musiquarium	Polygram	Nathan LaMar Watts	Stevie Wonder
Personae	Bardo	Jonas Hellborg	Jonas Hellborg
Peter Erskine	Victor OJC	Eddie Gomez	Peter Erskine
Reach Out I'll Be There	Polygram	James Jamerson	The Four Tops
Return to Forever	BMG/ECM	Stanley Clarke	Chick Corea
Reverence	Sony	Richard Bona	Richard Bona
Secrets	Intima	Jimmy Johnson	Alan Holdsworth
Seeds of Time	ECM	Dave Holland	Dave Holland
Seremonie	Extreme	Skuli Sverrison	Skuli Sverrison
Standards Vol.2	ECM	Gary Peacock	Keith Jarrett
The Complete Columbia Rec.	Sony	Charles Mingus	Charles Mingus
The Sign and the Seal	BMG/RCA	Anthony Tidd	Steve Coleman
Time In Place	Atlantic	Jeff Andrews	Mike Stern

