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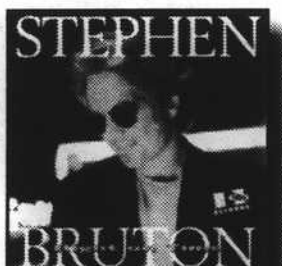
ERIC AMBEL
Loud & Lonesome
\$11.88 CDs

From the original line-up of Joan Jett's Blackhearts, to the Del Lords, and Roscoe's Gang, Eric Ambel's colorful career as musician and producer (Bottle Rockets, Blood Oranges, Blue Mountain), has made him a front-runner in contemporary roots music. Loud & Lonesome is the "messed up American muscle car guitar thing."



SPONGE
Rotting Pinata
\$11.88 CDs \$8.88 TP's

Bridging the space between emotion and intellect, Sponge's debut, Rotting Pinata, reflects the band's tightly coiled intensity. Produced by Sponge, co-produced by Tim Patalan and mixed by Tim Palmer (Mother Love Bone, Pearl Jam, Tears For Fears), the album's music was written collectively by the band with lyrics by Sponge's enigmatic lead singer, Vinnie.



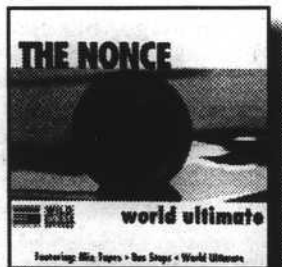
STEPHEN BRUTON
Right On Time
\$11.88 CDs

"Stephen Bruton writes new classics. Part country and part rhythm & blues and pretty much all rock & roll, he's a guitar player's guitar player, a songwriter's singer and the producer of some of the finest alternative country and R&B recordings in the last few years."
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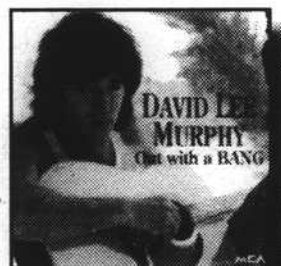
GOD LIVES UNDER WATER
God Lives Under Water
\$8.88 CDs \$5.88 TP's

Band founders Jeff Turzo and Daviv Reilly, both in their early twenties, are a new breed indeed — kids coming of age with McIntosh software, MIDI equipment, the Internet, all that — kids that have a way of looking at the craft of music-making that is fully juxtaposed to the ghost of rock music past. Under the guitar samples and techno, there are really good melodies.



THE NONCE
World Ultimate
\$11.88 CDs \$8.88 TP's

From the sweltering tarmac of Los Angeles comes the freewheelin' rap duo known as The Nonce. Part of L.A.'s "True School" movement, The Nonce specialize in the spontaneous invention of words and beats. In a world plagued by tired P-Funk samples, gangsta posturizing and Run-of-the-mill styles, The Nonce's singular approach to hip-hop is a refreshing blast of rich and ethereal funk vibes.



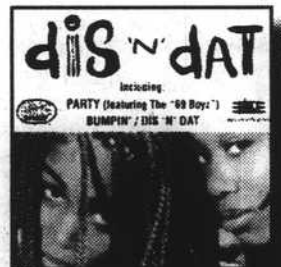
DAVID LEE MURPHY
Out With A Bang
\$11.88 CDs \$8.88 TP's

Honky tonks and pickup trucks provide the backdrops, but the songs run much deeper than the standard country fare. David Lee Murphy doesn't look like anyone else, he doesn't sound like anyone else. Yet, David Lee Murphy is as country as they come. This is an album for singing, for dancing — good time music from a guy who's gonna make some noise.



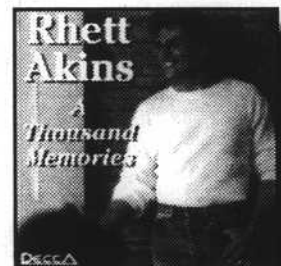
HUM
You'd Prefer An Astronaut
\$11.88 CDs \$7.88 TP's

No strangers to recording, the band has already put out two albums on Twelve Inch/Cargo Records; "Fillet Show" and 1993's critically acclaimed "Electra 2000." They are also dedicated road warriors having toured with the likes of Liz Phair, Smashing Pumpkins, and The Poster Children.



DIS 'N' DAT
Bumpin'
\$11.88 CDs \$7.88 TP's

Whoa! There It Is! has become a hip slogan for the NBA season, a one-liner of popular TV sitcoms and just regular conversation following the success of the musical versions by Tag Team and 95 South. In fact, this southern-fried "bass music" has become so popular, Epic decided to ride the "wave" too! It consists of heavy "bass" and classic music sampling from past hit records and is directly reminiscent of "fraternity Steppin'."



RHETT AKINS
A Thousand Memories
\$11.88 CDs \$8.88 TP's

It's difficult to avoid what may appear to be hype when introducing Rhett Akins to those not familiar with him or his music. He's a small town boy from Valdosta, Georgia who clearly has what it takes to be a star: both vocal and songwriting talent.



SILVERCHAIR
Frogstomp
\$11.88 CDs \$8.88 TP's

Silverchair are three young Australians who have literally turned their native county upside down in the wake of the recent massive success of their single and full-length releases. On this continent, the record is already showing signs of becoming the smash alternative rock record of the summer.

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