

## 50 Classic First Dance Songs

You can't go wrong with one of these romantic, foolproof first-dance songs. From tried and true oldies, like Etta James's "At Last," to more modern hits, this list is the perfect starting point for your first-dance song search.

by The Knot

### 1. "Amazed," Lonestar

Lyrics You'll Love: "I don't know how you do what you do/I'm so in love with you/It just keeps getting better"

### 2. "As," Stevie Wonder

Lyrics You'll Love: "As around the sun the earth knows she's revolving/And the rosebuds know to bloom in early May/Just as hate knows love's the cure/You can rest your mind assure/That I'll be loving you always"

### 3. "As Time Goes By," Dooley Wilson (from Casablanca)

Lyrics you'll love: "And when two lovers woo/They still say, 'I love you.'/On that you can rely/No matter what the future brings/As time goes by."

### 4. "A Thousand Years," Christina Perri (from Twilight: Breaking Dawn)

Lyrics you'll love: "Darling, don't be afraid/I have loved you/For a thousand years/I'll love you for a thousand more"

### 5. "At Last," Etta James

Lyrics you'll love: "And here we are in heaven/for you are mine/at last"

### 6. "Better Together," Jack Johnson

Lyrics you'll love: "It's not always easy and/Sometimes life can be deceiving/I'll tell you one thing, it's always better when we're together"

### 7. "By Your Side," Sade

Lyrics you'll love: "When you're on the outside baby and you can't get in/I will show you you're so much better than you know"

## 8. "Can't Help Falling In Love," Elvis Presley

Lyrics you'll love: "Like a river flows surely to the sea/Darling so it goes/some things are meant to be"

## 9. "Can't Take My Eyes Off of You," Frankie Valli or Lauryn Hill

Lyrics you'll love: "I love you baby and if it's quite all right/I need you baby to warm the lonely nights/I love you baby, trust in me when I say"

## 10. "Come Rain or Come Shine," Ray Charles

Lyrics you'll love: "I'm gonna love you, like nobody's loved you/Come rain or come shine"

## 11. "Crazy Love," Van Morrison

Lyrics you'll love: "I can hear her heart beat for a thousand miles/And the heavens open every time she smiles"

## 12. "Everything," Michael Bublé

Lyrics you'll love: "And in this crazy life, and through these crazy times/It's you, it's you, you make me sing/You're every line, you're every word, you're everything"

## 13. "First Day of My Life," Bright Eyes

Lyrics you'll love: "Yours is the first face that I saw/I think I was blind before I met you/Now I don't know where I am/ I don't know where I've been/But I know where I want to go"

## 14. "Fly Me to the Moon," Frank Sinatra

Lyrics you'll love: "Fill my heart with song/Let me sing forever more/You are all I long for/All I worship and adore"

## 15. "Grow Old With Me," Mary Chapin Carpenter

Lyrics you'll love: "Grow old along with me/Whatever fate decrees/We will see it through"

## 16. "Here and Now," Luther Vandross

Lyrics you'll love: "When I look in your eyes, there I'll see/All that a love should really be/And I need you more and more each day"

## 17. "How Sweet It Is (to Be Loved by You)," James Taylor

Lyrics you'll love: "With sweet love and devotion, deeply touching my emotion/I want to stop and thank you baby"

## 18. "If I Ain't Got You," Alicia Keys featuring Usher

lyrics you'll love: "Some people want diamond rings/Some just want everything/But everything means nothing/If I ain't got you"

## 19. "In My Life," The Beatles

Lyrics you'll love: "Though I know I'll never lose affection/for people and things that went before/I know I'll often stop and think about them/In my life I love you more"

## 20. "I Only Have Eyes for You," The Flamingos

Lyrics you'll love: "Are the stars out tonight?/I don't know if it's cloudy or bright/I only have eyes for you, dear"

## 21. "It Had to Be You," Dooley Wilson (from Casablanca)

Lyrics you'll love: "And it had to be you, it just had to be you/It had to be you"

## 22. "I Will," The Beatles

Lyrics you'll love: "Love you forever and forever/Love you with all my heart/Love you whenever we're together/Love you when we're apart"

## 23. "I Won't Give Up," Jason Mraz

Lyrics you'll love: "I won't give up on us/Even if the skies get rough/I'm giving you all my love/I'm still looking up"

## 24. "Just the Way You Are," Billy Joel

Lyrics you'll love: "I said I love you and that's forever/And this I promise from my heart/I couldn't love you any better/I love you just the way you are"

## 25. "La Vie en Rose," Edith Piaf (French), Louis Armstrong (English)

Lyrics you'll love: "And when you speak angels sing from above/Everyday words seem/To turn into love songs"

## 26. "Let's Stay Together," Al Green

Lyrics you'll love: "Let's stay together/Love you whether, whether/Times are good or bad, happy or sad/"

## 27. "L-O-V-E," Nat King Cole

Lyrics you'll love: "Love is all that I can give to you/Love is more than just a game for two/Two in love can make it"

## 28. "Lucky," Colbie Caillat and Jason Mraz

Lyrics you'll love: "Lucky I'm in love with my best friend/Lucky to have been where I have been/Lucky to be coming home again"

## 29. "Make You Feel My Love," Adele

Lyrics you'll love: "Nothing that I wouldn't do/Go to the ends of the Earth for you/To make you feel my love"

## 30. "Marry Me," Train

Lyrics you'll love: "Together can never be close enough for me/To feel like I am close enough to you/You wear white and I'll wear out the words, 'I love you' "

## 31. "Maybe I'm Amazed," Paul McCartney

Lyrics you'll love: "Maybe I'm amazed at the way you help me sing my song,/Right me when I'm wrong/Maybe I'm amazed at the way I really need you."

### 32. "Our Love Is Here to Stay," Billie Holiday

Lyrics you'll love: "It's very clear/Our love is here to stay/Not for a year/But ever and a day"

### 33. "Sparks," Coldplay

Lyrics you'll love: "But I promise you this/I'll always look out for you/That's what I'll do"

### 34. "Stand by Me," Ben E. King

Lyrics you'll love: "No I won't be afraid/Oh, I won't be afraid/Just as long as you stand, stand by me"

### 35. "Steady As We Go," Dave Matthews Band

Lyrics you'll love: "In the darkest times/You shine on me/You set me free/And keep me steady as we go"

### 36. "Such Great Heights," The Postal Service or Iron and Wine

Lyrics you'll love: "And I have to speculate/That God himself did make us/Into corresponding shapes/Like puzzle pieces from the clay"

### 37. "That's How Strong My Love Is," Otis Redding

Lyrics you'll love: "I'll be the rainbow after the tears are gone/Wrap you in my colors and keep you warm/That's how strong my love is"

### 38. "That's Where It's At," Sam Cooke

Lyrics you'll love: "Lights turned way down low/Music soft and slow/With someone you love so/That's where it's at, yeah"

### 39. "The Best Is Yet to Come," Frank Sinatra

Lyrics you'll love: "Come the day you're mine/I'm gonna teach you to fly/We've only tasted the wine/We're gonna drain the cup dry"

### 40. "The Luckiest," Ben Folds

Lyrics you'll love: "And where was I before the day/That I first saw your lovely face?/Now I see it every day/And I know/That I am/I am/I am/The luckiest"

#### 41. "Then," Brad Paisley

Lyrics you'll love: "Now you're my whole life/Now you're my whole world/I just can't believe/The way I feel about you girl/Like a river meets the sea/Stronger than it's ever been"

#### 42. "Unforgettable," Nat King Cole

Lyrics you'll love: "That's why, darling, it's incredible/That someone so unforgettable/Thinks that I am/unforgettable too"

#### 43. "Up Where We Belong," Joe Cocker and Jennifer Warnes

Lyrics you'll love: "Love lifts us up where we belong/Where the eagles cry on a mountain high"

#### 44. "We've Only Just Begun," The Carpenters

Lyrics you'll love: "And when the evening comes we smile,/So much life ahead/We'll find a place where there's room to grow/And yes, we've just begun"

#### 45. "Wild Horses," The Rolling Stones

Lyrics you'll love: "No sweeping exits or offstage lines/Could make me feel bitter or treat you unkind/Wild horses couldn't drag me away"

#### 46. "Wonderwall," Oasis

Lyrics you'll love: "I said maybe/You're gonna be the one that saves me/And after all/You're my wonderwall"

#### 47. "You Are the Best Thing," Ray LaMontagne

Lyrics you'll love: "The way you move me, it's crazy/It's like you see right through me/And make it easier/Believe me, you don't even have to try"

#### 48. "You Are So Beautiful," Joe Cocker

Lyrics you'll love: "You're everything I hoped for/You're everything I need/You are so beautiful to me"

#### 49. "Your Song," Elton John

Lyrics you'll love: "I hope you don't mind that I put down in words/How wonderful life is while you're in the world"

#### 50. "You're My Best Friend," Queen

Lyrics you'll love: "You're the best friend that I ever had/I've been with you such a long time/You're my sunshine/And I want you to know"