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With its 25 ballads for piano, this tutorial will keep you pleasantly busy for quite a while. But there's more to it than that! Besides affording pleasure, these musical pieces give you appropriate training in all the playing techniques necessary for a good ballad accompaniment.

Guidelines for the proper handling of these 25 ballads are given to you in the preliminary chapter – guidelines regarding the rhythm and harmony, but also the movements of your left and right hand.

The 25 ballads inspired by the biggest hits of the greatest artists of all time (The Beatles, Keane, Ray Charles, Coldplay, David Bowie, Phil Collins, Alicia Keys, Louis Armstrong, The Rolling Stones and many more) offer you an encyclopedic tour through the world of ballad – be it Pop, Soul, Blues, Light Music, highly melancholic or a little bit more Rock'n'Roll.

The videos attached to the tutorial present you with the 25 ballads in their full length and at two different tempi: the intended tempo (for demonstration purposes) and the rehearsal tempo (for surpassing difficulties). For their part, the audio-recordings allow you to play the ballads along to backing tracks of an appropriate length, each in turn played at two different speeds – at a slower speed, for training, and at the actual playing speed, for practicing 'under real conditions'.



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