

Sam Bush, 1969-1985: a partial discography.

Sam Bush is one of the most prominent mandolin players in the United States. His personal style, which combines elements of bluegrass, fiddle music, rock and jazz, has had a tremendous influence on many mandolinists of the post-world war II generation. This list includes all the recordings that I could uncover that Sam had any part of in the first phase of his career. I'm sure that I have missed or overlooked many more.

- 1) Poor Richard's Almanac. 1969, American Heritage, AHL40125S.
w/Alan Munde, Wayne Stewart, Leo Fernandez. "Recorded Easter weekend 1969."
- 2) Baker's dozen country fiddle tunes. Kenny Baker. 1971, County, 703.
w/Ebo Walker, Butch Robins, John Kaparkis.
- 3) Friar Tut. Tut Taylor. 1971, Rounder, 0011. w/Norman Blake. Contains some mandolin trios.
- 4) Mellow lady. Nancy Johnson. 1971?
- 5) New Grass Revival. New Grass Revival. 1973?, Starday, 482-498.
Courtney Johnson, Curtis Burch, Ebo Walker.
- 6) Blake, Taylor, Bush, Robbins, Clements, Holland, Burns. 1974, HDS, Flying Fish, HDA701.
Norman Blake, Jethro Burns, Vassar Clements, David Holland, Butch Robins, Tut Taylor. The white album with the pictures on the cover. Distributed by Flying Fish.
- 7) Bluegrass mandolin. Sam Bush. 1974, Homespun tapes.
"Taught by Sam Bush". A set of six instructional cassettes. Issued with 23 page booklet of tablature.
- 8) Poor Richard's Almanac. 1976, Ridge Runner, 002.
1976 pressing from re-mastered tapes including some un-issued performances.
- 9) Walnut Valley Spring Thing. 1976, Takoma, D1054. New Grass Revival, Courtney Johnson, Curtis Burch, John Cowan. New Grass performs "Sally Goodin" and "Fly Through the Country".
- 10) 200 years fiddlin'. 1976, American Heritage, AH401521.
w/Lonnie Pierce. "Bicentennial Oldtime Fiddle Album."
- 11) Byron Berline, Sam Bush and Mark O'Connor in concert. 1976, OMAC, OMAC2.
Includes two triple mandolin and three triple fiddle numbers.
- 12) Nobody knows what you do. John Hartford. 1976, Flying Fish, 028. w/Benny Martin.
- 13) Fly through the country. New Grass Revival. 1976, Flying Fish, 016. Johnson, Burch, Cowan.
- 14) Pickin' in the wind. Mark O'Connor. 1976, Rounder, 0068.

- 15) Dobrolic plectral society. Tut Taylor. 1976, Takoma, 1050.
Bush plays mandolin, bass, and mandola; Norman Blake guitar and mandocello.
- 16) Festival tapes. 1977, Flying Fish, 068. New Grass Revival, John Hartford, Peter Rowan.
New Grass performs two tunes with Hartford and one with Rowan.
- 17) Dillard-Hartford-Dillard. 1977, Flying Fish, 036. Doug Dillard, Rodney Dillard, John Hartford.
"Glitter Grass from the Nashwood Hollyville Strings."
- 18) View from home. Bryan Bowers. 1977, Flying Fish, 037. New Grass Revival.
- 19) Sam and Alan; together again for the first time. Sam Bush. 1977, Ridge Runner, 0007.
Alan Munde, Burch, Roland White, Cowan.
- 20) Lady's Fancy. Dan Crary. 1977, Rounder, 0099. New Grass Revival.
- 21) All in the name of love. John Hartford. 1977, Flying Fish, 044.
- 22) When the storm is over. New Grass Revival. 1977, Flying Fish, 032.
Johnson, Burch, Cowan, Kenny Malone.
- 23) Too late to turn back now. New Grass Revival. 1977, Flying Fish, 050.
Cowan, Burch, Johnson, Hartford, Rowan.
- 24) Forty years late. Butch Robins. 1977, Rounder, 0086.
- 25) Texas crapshooter. Bobby Hicks. 1978, County, 772.
- 26) Jazz grass. Slim Richey. 1978, Ridge Runner, 0009.
- 27) Bruised orange. John Prine. 1978, Asylum, 6E139.
- 28) Grand arrival. Bryn Hayworth. 1978, A&M, AMLH68462.
- 29) Tellulive; 1979 Telluride Bluegrass and Country Music Festival. 1979, Flying Fish, 224.
New Grass Revival, Bob Lucas, Rowan, Doc Watson, Crary, Stewart.
- 30) Crossing the tracks. Bela Fleck. 1979, Rounder, 0121.
- 31) Slumberin' on the Cumberland. John Hartford. 1979, Flying Fish, 095.
- 32) Barren county. New Grass Revival. 1979, Flying Fish, 083.
Cowan, Burch, Johnson, Ken Smith, Malone, Bill Kenner.
- 33) Manzanita. Tony Rice. 1979, Rounder, 092.

- 34) 20 bluegrass originals--various artists. 1979, Gusto, 5029. New Grass Revival. New Grass performs "Skippin' in the Mississippi Dew" and "Great Balls of Fire".
- 35) Banjo kid picks again. Alan Munde. 1980, Ridge Runner, 0022.
- 36) Markology. Mark O'Connor. 1980, Rounder, 0090.
- 37) On the rampage. Mark O'Connor. 1980, Rounder, 0118.
- 38) Great conch train robbery. Shel Silverstein. 1980, Flying Fish, 211. w/Hartford, Josh Graves.
- 39) Blaine Sprouse. 1980, Rounder, 0117.
- 40) Long time gone. John Starling. 1980, Sugar Hill, 3714.
- 41) More pretty girls than one. Buck White. 1980, Sugar Hill, 3710.
- 42) Jackrabbit. Doug Dillard. 1980, Flying Fish, 208. Berline.
- 43) Nashville. Philippe Bourgeois. 1984, ADA, 1006.
- 44) American and clean. Country Gazette. 1981, Flying Fish, 253. Bush plays fiddle on seven tunes.
- 45) Fiddle tunes for banjo. 1981, Rounder, 0124.
- 46) Fragments of my imagination. Butch Robins. 1981, Rounder, 0104.
- 47) Fifth child. Butch Robins. 1981, Rounder, 0130.
- 48) Mar west. Tony Rice Unit. 1981, Rounder, 0125.
- 49) Leon Russell & New Grass Revival Live. Leon Russell. 1981, Warner Brothers, K56891. New Grass Revival.
- 50) American & Clean. Country Gazette. 1981, Flying Fish, 252. (Not sure why this is here twice)
- 51) Tennessee fluxedo. Jerry Douglas. 1982, Rounder, 0112.
- 52) Natural bridge. Bela Fleck. 1982, Rounder, 0146.
- 53) Festival favorites; Nashville sessions. Alan Munde. 1982, Ridge Runner, 0031. Review mentions that this is the third release under "Festival Favorites" subheading.
- 54) Commonwealth. New Grass Revival. 1982, Flying Fish, 254. Cowan, Burch, Johnson, Malone, Leon Russell, Sharon White.

- 55) The walls of time. Peter Rowan. 1982, Sugar Hill, 3722.
- 56) Guitar. Dan Crary. 1983, Sugar Hill, 3730.
- 57) Waitin' on a southern train. John Starling. 1983, Sugar Hill, 3724.
- 58) Double time. Bela Fleck. 1984, Rounder, 0181. "Acoustic duets featuring the five-string banjo."
- 59) Late as usual. Sam Bush. 1984, Rounder, 0195.
Johnson, Burch, Cowan, Norman and Nancy Blake.
- 60) On the boulevard. New Grass Revival. 1984, Sugar Hill, 3745. Fleck, Cowan, Pat Flynn.
- 61) Deviation. Bela Fleck. 1984, Rounder, 0196. New Grass Revival, Malone.
- 62) Cold on the shoulder. Tony Rice. 1984, Rounder, 0183.
- 63) Gum tree canoe. John Hartford. 1984, Flying Fish, 289.
- 64) Live. New Grass Revival. 1989, Sugar Hill.
Fleck, Flynn, Cowan. Recorded in 1983 in Toulouse, France.
- 65) Sam Bush's Mandolin Repertoire Tape. Sam Bush. 1985, Homespun tapes.
Teaching tape where Bush plays traditional and original tunes. Accompanied by booklet.
- 66) Bashful brother Oswald. Charlie Collins. 197-?, Rounder, 0041.
- 67) Jamboree. Andy Belling. 197-?.
- 68) Acoustics. Tony Rice Unit. 1979?, Kaleidoscope, F-10.