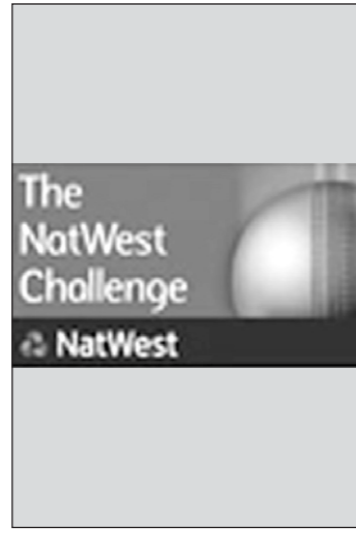


PICK OF THE WEEK



The Movie

Hellraiser
On HBO, June 16 at 11.15 p.m.
A man finds he is given more than he bargains for when he solves the puzzle of the Lamont Configuration - a doorway to hell. But his ex-lover has found a way of bringing him back, and his niece, Kirsty Lawrence, finds herself bargaining with the Cenobites, angels to some, demons to others, whose greatest pleasure is the greatest pain.



The Sport

Pakistan Tour of England
Natwest Challenge 2003
Manchester, England
1st ODI
Live on June 17 at 7.30 p.m. on Star Sports
England
Vs
Pakistan



Our Choice

You've Got Mail
On Star Movies, June 15 at 10.30 p.m.
The owner of a large bookstore chain starts putting the owner of a small local bookstore out of business. Meanwhile they have been corresponding over the Internet without knowing who either of them is. They can't stand each other in person but over the Internet they are very attracted. He finds out who she is but she doesn't know. He starts to like her more but she still hates him. He has to fix it.

Satellite TV



Lost Souls
On HBO, June 13 at 9.30 p.m.
A small group of Catholics led by an ailing priest believe that Satan intends to become man, just as God did in the person of Jesus. The writings of a possessed mental patient lead them to Peter Kelson, a writer who studies serial killers. They think it's his body Satan will occupy. The youngest in the group, a teacher named Maya Larkin, goes to Peter to investigate further and to convince him to believe in the possibility of Evil incarnate. Other signs come to him as he and Maya take a journey full of strange occurrences, self-discovery, and an ultimate showdown.



The Patriot
On HBO, June 14 at 9.30 p.m.
After proving himself on the field of battle in the French and Indian War, Benjamin Martin wants nothing more to do with such things, preferring the simple life of a farmer. But when his son Gabriel enlists in the army to defend their new nation, America, against the British, Benjamin reluctantly returns to his old life to protect his son, now serving under his command and his family from British tyranny.



The Mothman Prophecies
On HBO, June 15 at 9.30 p.m.
John Klein, a Washington newspaper reporter leaves his job after his wife dies to investigate strange reports, including psychic visions (prophecies) and sightings of winged creatures (mothmen), in a small West Virginia town, that may be the signs of an alien invasion of Earth...



Loser
On HBO, June 19 at 1.45 a.m.
Is their room in Manhattan for a decent kid? Can a young woman see past a cad to true love? Paul, from rural upstate, comes to New York for college. To keep his scholarship, he must study hard. That makes him a loser to his partying roommates, who connive to have him kicked out of their suite. He's assigned a room in an animal hospital. In class he meets Dora, who's the very young lover of their sarcastic and selfish lit professor. She needs a job to pay for school. When Dora is slipped some drugs at a party, Paul nurses her back to health, and a friendship follows. For Paul, though, it's more than friendly feelings. Can they work things out and become truly lucky?



The Rock
On Star movies, June 18 at 7.00 p.m.
A group of renegade marine commandos seizes a stockpile of chemical weapons and takes over Alcatraz, with 81 tourists as hostages. Their leader, a former highly-decorated U. S. general, demands \$100 million to be paid in ransom, as restitution to families of soldiers who died in covert operations and were thereby denied compensation.

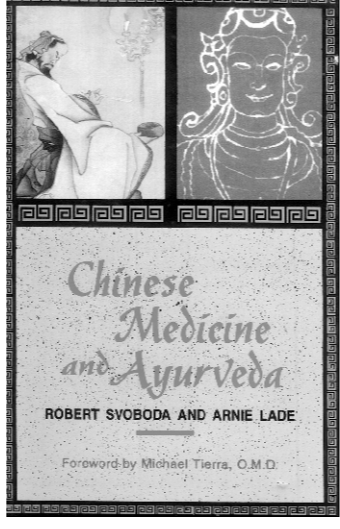


The Lawnmower Man
On Star Movies, June 14 at 9.00 p.m.
A scientist performs experiments involving intelligence enhancing drugs and virtual reality on a simple-minded gardener. He puts the gardener on an extensive schedule of learning, and quickly he becomes brilliant. But at this point the gardener has a few ideas of his own on how the research should continue, and the scientist begins losing control of his experiments.

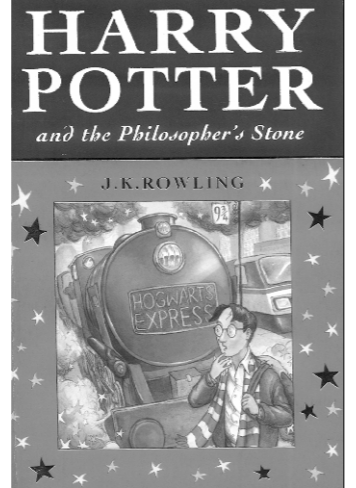
Books



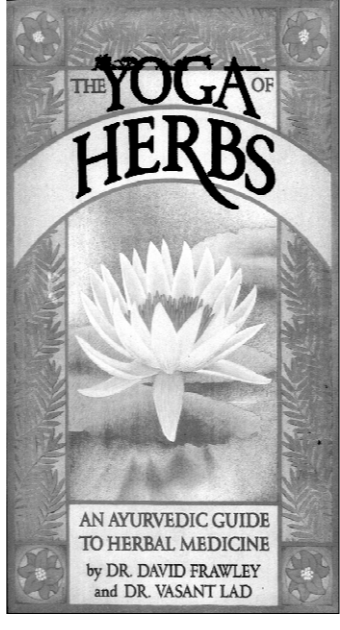
Long Slow Burn
Sexuality and Social Science
Kath Weston
Price: Tk. 1495.00
"Long Slow Burn is a highly compelling effort, by an unusually perceptive anthropologist, to reposition sexuality at the heart of the social sciences", thus to 'infuse [it] into the very pursuit of social knowledge.' Wonderfully written, it is a work of consummate grace, critical acuity, persuasive power. Indeed, like the queer ethnographer herself, often marginalized by her discipline, it attracts, disturbs, disorders. But, even more, by running together poignant stories, hard-edged arguments, nuanced analyses, and cogent polemics, it provokes us -- profoundly, brilliantly -- to think anew about the location of sexuality in the social sciences. And in the world at large."



Chinese Medicine and Ayurveda
Robert Svoboda & Arnie Lade
Price: Tk. 240.00
Chinese Medicine and Ayurveda explores the enduring features of humanity's longest and continually practised systems of medicine. These two indigenous healing arts arising independently in China and India communed and exchanged experience, techniques, and therapeutic substances over the epochs of their development. This book's interesting and valuable comparison provides a pioneer effort in examining side by side two great systems of medicine, studying closely the historical, theoretical and practical relationships. In so doing, it offers these ancient paradigms into the practice of modern healing for a synergistic, inclusive approach.



Harry Potter And The Philosopher's Stone
J. K. Rowling
Price: Tk. 380.00
Harry Potter thinks he is an ordinary boy -- until he is rescued by a beetle-eyed giant of a man, enrolls at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, learns to play Quidditch and does battle in a deadly duel. The Reason: Harry Potter is A Wizard! Acclaim for Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone:
"Like Gameboys, Teletubbies and films by George Lucas, Harry Potter has permeated the national child consciousness. The Independent on Sunaay
"The Harry Potter books are that rare thing, a series of stories adored by children and parents alike."
The Daily Telegraph
"JK Rowling has woken up a whole generation to reading." The Times
"The Harry Potter stories will join that small group of children's books which are read and re-read into adulthood."

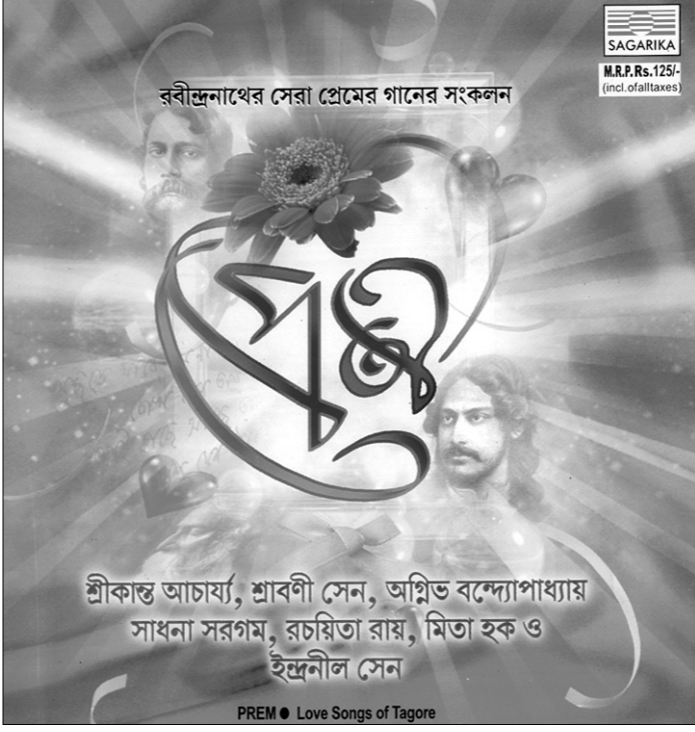


The Yoga of Herbs
An Ayurvedic Guide to Herbal Medicine
Dr David Frawley & Dr. Vasant Lad
Price: Tk. 315.00
For the first time, here is a detailed explanation and classification of herbs, using the ancient system of Ayurveda. More than 250 herbs are listed, with 88 herbs explained in detail. Included are many of the most commonly used Western herbs with a profound Ayurvedic perspective. Important Chinese and special Ayurvedic herbs are introduced. Beautiful diagrams and charts, as well as detailed glossaries, appendices and index are included.

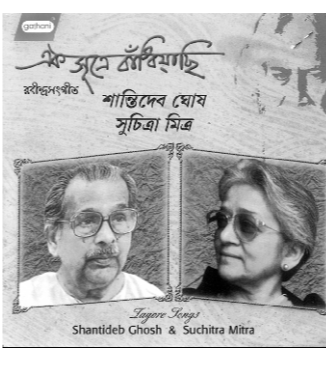
A History of Sanskrit Literature
A. Berriedale Keith
Price: Tk. 635.00
Taken in conjunction with the author's Sanskrit Drama, this work covers the field of classical Sanskrit literature as opposed to the Vedic literature, the epics and the Puranas. To bring the subject-matter within the limits of a single volume has rendered it necessary to treat the scientific literature briefly, and to avoid discussions of its subject-matter, which appertains rather to the historian of grammar, philosophy, law, medicine, astronomy or mathematics, than to the literary historians. The mode of treatment has rendered it possible, for the first time in any treatise in English on Sanskrit literature, to pay due attention to the literary qualities of the kavya.
It is in the great writers of kavya alone, headed by Kalidasa that we find an in-depth feeling for life and nature matched with perfection of expression and rhythm. The kavya literature includes some of the great poetry of the world.
The contents include: The Origin of Sanskrit, the Origin and Development of Kavya Literature, Kalidasa, Bharavi, Historical Kavya, Lyric Poetry, the Didactic Fables, the Brhatkatha, the Great Romances, Theories of Poetry, Lexicography and Matrices, the Beginnings of Grammatical Study, Dharmasastras, the Science of Politics, Philosophy and Religion, Medicine, Astronomy, Astrology and Mathematics and many more topics of vital interest.



CDs & Cassettes



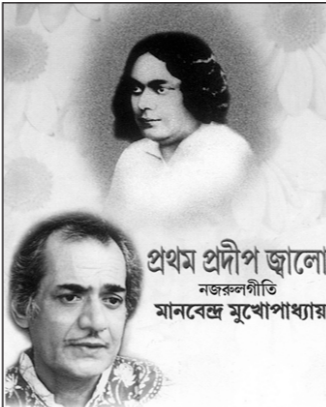
Prem
Best love-songs of Rabindranath Tagore
Price: Tk. 175.00
Love songs of Rabindranath Tagore have ever been an unparalleled source of amusement for the Bangali. These everlasting songs abound in the unmatched examples of the expression of the most valuable human feeling in the whole world of Bangla art. Besides they contain the most soothing tunes. The present album is such a treasure that will always prove an excellent celebration of love for the lovers. The songs include Ami tomar premye, Tumi robye nirobye, Chorono dhoritye diyogo amarey, Jodi jantem amar kisher byatha, Ami tomar shangey bendhechi amaro praan, Bhalobeshy shokhi nibhrito jotonoy and a couple of more. The songs are sung by Mita Haque, Srikanta Acharya, Rachoyita Haque, Indrani Sen, Srabani Sen, Sadhana Sangam and Agni Bandyopadhyay.



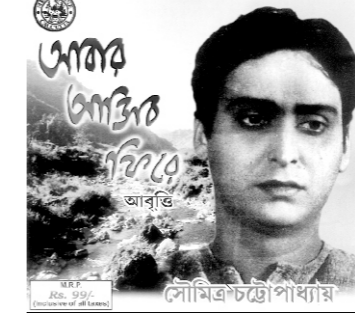
Ek Sutrey Badhiachi
Rabindra Sangeet by Shantideb Ghosh & Suchitra Mitra
Price: Tk. 150.00



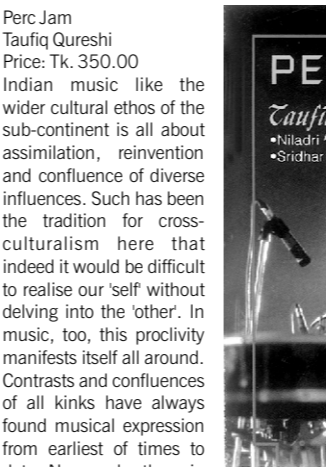
Ami Tomay Joto
Instrumental of Rabindra Sangeet by Batuk Nandi
Price: 150.00
Batuk Nandi in this album has created an enchanting world of music on his guitar. The tunes from Rabindra Sangeet will surely amaze the listeners. The tunes include Ami tomay joto, Kothao amar hariye jabar, Amaro porano jha chaya, Ektuku chhowa lagey, Amar hridoy, Ami chini go chini tomarey and a few more.



Pratham Pradip Jalalo
Nazrul Songs by Manabendra Mukhopadhyay
Price: Tk. 70.00
Most of the great singers of this Subcontinent have also sung Nazrul Sangeet besides their own fields. Manabendra Mukhopadhyay also earned some fame in the area. The present album presents some of Manabendra's Nazrul Sangeet including Prothom propid jwalo, Amar bijon ghorey, Anek chhilo bolar, Ghumao ghumao dekhitey eshechhi, Bondhu tomar ami je, Propid nibhaye dao and others. The songs are rather uncommon.



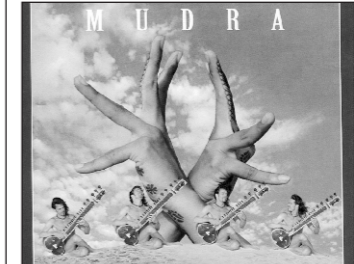
Abar Ashibo Phirey
Recitation by Soumitra Chattopadhyay
Price: 150.00
The legendary actor is also famous for recitation in both the Bengal. The present album presents some of his recitation of some fine poems of Jibonananda Das. Poems like Shuprobhat, Jhulon, Lashkata ghorey, Ghumaye poribo ami, Banglar mukh, Abar ashibo phirey etc will certainly please the audience's pleasure.



Perc Jam
Taufiq Qureshi
Price: Tk. 350.00
Indian music like the wider cultural ethos of the sub-continent is all about assimilation, reinvention and confluence of diverse influences. Such has been the tradition for cross-culturalism here that indeed it would be difficult to realise our 'self' without delving into the 'other'. In music, too, this proclivity manifests itself all around. Contrasts and confluences of all kinds have always found musical expression from earliest of times to date. No wonder then, in the age of fusion and World Music Indian musicians have found a natural niche. Taufiq Qureshi is the youngest son of the legendary tabla wizard Alla Rakha and brother of world percussion master Zakir Hussain. A dedicated self-learner, Taufiq soon discovered his greatest asset was a feel for the world of sound with all its intricate nuances. This is the quality, which makes him one of the most sought after rhythm programmers and percussionists in the world of studio recordings today.



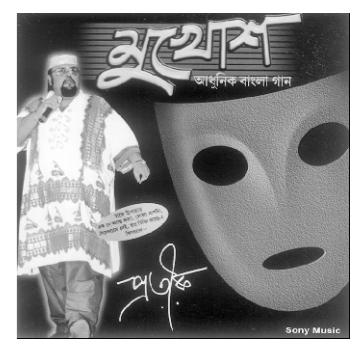
Kobita Theky Gaan
Modern Bangla songs by Lopamudra Mitra
Price: Tk. 225.00



Mudra
Instrumental by Prem Joshua
Price: Tk. 500.00
Mudra means "Hand Gestures" in Sanskrit Mudras are used in Indian traditional dance forms and as symbols of energies in ancient vedic rituals. Mudras -- just like music -- are much more powerful than words, they not only express a particular meaning, but directly bring forth that energy. One night in early 1998, I remember playing live music for a trance-dance event in India, one of those nights where playing music does a small miracle without any warning--transporting dancers and musicians into another space--into the moment.



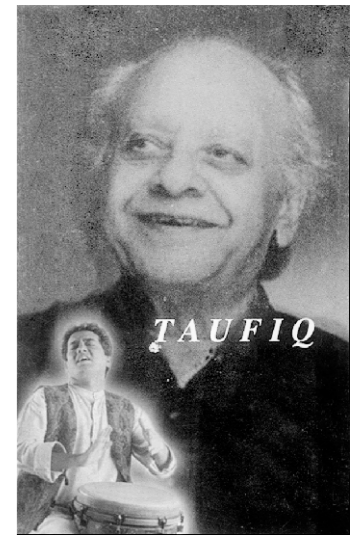
Hason Raja
Bangla film soundtrack
Price: Tk. 80.00
Hason Raja is a story unveiling some fabulous facts of this mystic poet. The screenplay is largely based on some of his outstanding songs. The songs include Loke bole boley-re, Nesha laglo-re, Shona bonhey amarey, Mon amar dehotori and a few other popular ones composed by the legendary poet.



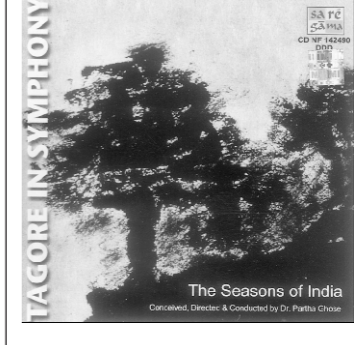
Mukhosh
Modern Bangla Songs by Pratik
Price: Tk. 175.00
With new viewpoint regarding survival of Bangla songs, this is the second album by the West Bengal youth. The first, Swapno Biki Achhey, one came out in 2001. This present album promises to be yet more different and unique in its aim.



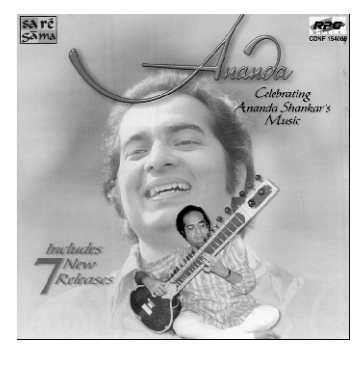
Sa Re Ga
Modern Bangla songs by different artists
Price: Tk. 60.00



Rhythm
An Odyssee of Rhythm by Taufiq
Price: Tk. 90.00
Since the time I started playing in studios and on stage I have wanted to work on a concept exploring world rhythm. And so with Zakir Bhai's inspirational support, my wife Geetika's moral and understanding push, the opportunity provided by Rajeev and Milestone's new label Free Spirit and my parents blessings, I plunged into the exquisite, exotic and exciting sound of rhythm and came up with "RHYDHUN" (an odyssey of rhythm).



Tagore in Symphony
Price: Tk. 325.00
It is through his songs that Tagore stands surest on his ground, each ecstatic in mood, lyrical in expression, each an inner journey, the outpouring of a soul immersed in the beauty of life and nature, but sadly beyond the language barrier of all but those who know his lingua, Bengali. Yet, there is no reason why their melody, rhythm and their imagery cannot be captured by interpretation in a different musical idiom, that of western classical music. From his Reminiscences we gather that the 'romantic' aspect of European classical music appealed to him -- the aspect of variety, abundance, the play of waves on the ocean of life, the ever-changing light and shadow on its ceaseless motion. He tried to capture this romance in his songs. In his dialogue with Einstein on music. Tagore said, 'Melody and harmony are like lines and colours in pictures. A simple picture may be completely beautiful; the introduction of colour may make it vague and insignificant. Yet, colour may, by combination with lines, create great pictures, so long as it does not smother and destroy their value. In this symphony the songs are presented as audio-colour paintings and components of movements that depict the moods of the six Indian seasons: greeshma (summer), versha (monsoon), sharat (post monsoon), hemanta (autumn), sheeta (winter), vasanta (spring) -- in all their splendour and inner significance. Autumn and winter are very brief in Bengal and have been merged into a single season in the symphony.



Ananda
Celebration Ananda Shankar's Music
Price: Tk. 275.00
Ananda Shankar arrived on the music scene ahead of his time. Born on December 11, 1942, he was not quite 30 when he unleashed upon the world a sound that defied categorisation, but was so hot that it still sizzles today, three decades down the line, and not only in dance halls across the world. People called it everything from east-west fusion to sitar rock, but perhaps the most appropriate label would be "world music", on expression that gained currency only much later. Remarkably, since the 1990s, the world has been rediscovering the potency of Ananda's music, sampling bits which would later be turned into mega dance-hits and paying upwards of £800 for old records.