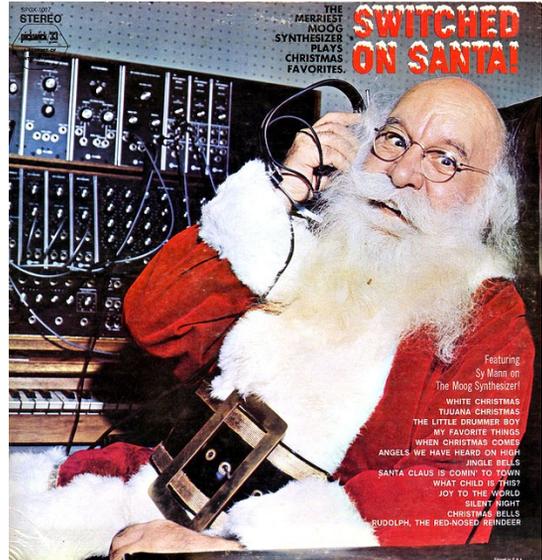


# Greatest Hits

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Shopping for Christmas decor at my local Metropolitan store during my first year of living on my own, I happened to pick up a Christmas LP from the remainder bin. *Switched On Santa* featured several Christmas instrumentals . . . all played on the Moog synthesizer!



Although this record is something of an oddity, playing it has become kind of a tradition for me, and even after all these years, it's not really Christmas til I've heard it again. (Hubby dislikes electronic music, so whenever I play it, he figures it's time to go out Christmas shopping. Or at least out of earshot . . . LOL).



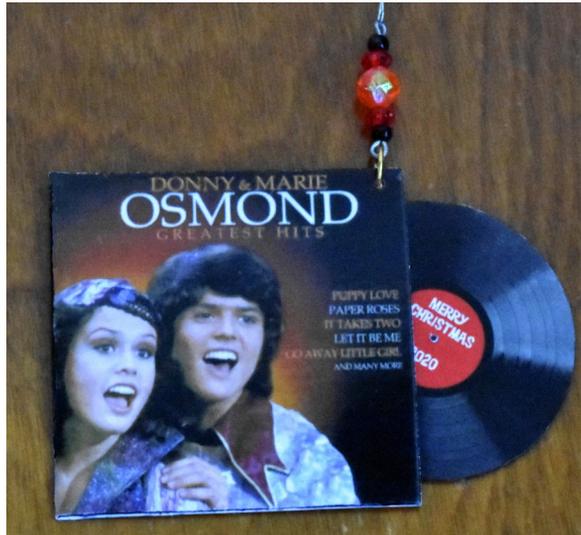
A few years ago I had the inspiration to make a mini version for my Christmas tree.



I printed the teeny record sleeve (about 2.25") on 110-lb cardstock, using the same image for front and back of the ornament, and secured the edges with tacky glue. I even made a tiny cardboard "LP" to slip inside – how cute is that!

For my friend and for me, Christmas is all about the accumulated memories of a lifetime. This handmade ornament not only reminds me of Christmases past, but there's not another exactly like it in the entire world. Now **that's** cool.

Now to do something similar for my friend. Turns out she was a big fan of Donnie and Marie as a young teen, but unfortunately they never released a Christmas album . . . or at least, I wasn't able to find an image of such a thing, so I settled instead for a Greatest Hits compilation.



I found two that I thought would work, but it was difficult to choose between the two, so I ended up making both.



These were the August entry to her Ornament-of-the-Month series for 2020.

She was pretty tickled when she saw them. Even her hubby was intrigued – he was the one who found the mini records inside.

These make super cute ornaments, and the best part is that you can make them unique by choosing any album special to the person you're gifting. What could be better?