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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper use and care of the Blackstar album by David Bowie, released by RCA Records. Blackstar is David Bowie's 28th studio album, a critically acclaimed work that marked his return in 2013. This album was released on David Bowie's birthday and features the title track as its first single.



Image: The official album cover for Blackstar, depicting a prominent black star symbol.

SETUP AND PREPARATION

To enjoy your Blackstar album, follow these steps:

1. **Unboxing:** Carefully remove the album from its packaging. If you have the CD version, open the jewel case. If you have the vinyl LP, remove it from the sleeve.
2. **Inspection:** Before playback, visually inspect the disc or record for any dust, fingerprints, or scratches. A clean surface ensures optimal sound quality.
3. **Placement:**
 - For CD: Place the disc label-side up into your CD player's tray or slot.
 - For Vinyl: Carefully place the record onto your turntable's platter, aligning it with the spindle.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once the album is properly set up, you can begin playback:

1. **Power On:** Ensure your audio playback device (CD player, turntable, amplifier) is powered on.
2. **Playback:**
 - For CD: Press the 'Play' button on your CD player.
 - For Vinyl: Gently lower the tonearm's stylus onto the outer groove of the record.
3. **Volume Adjustment:** Adjust the volume on your amplifier or playback device to a comfortable listening level.

Track List

The Blackstar album features the following tracks:

- Blackstar
- 'Tis a Pity She Was a Whore
- Lazarus
- Sue (Or in a Season of Crime)
- Girl Loves Me
- Dollar Days
- I Can't Give Everything Away

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper care will extend the life and preserve the sound quality of your Blackstar album:

- **Handling:** Always handle CDs by the edges and vinyl records by the edges or label. Avoid touching the playing surface.
- **Cleaning:**
 - For CDs: Use a soft, lint-free cloth to wipe from the center outwards. Do not wipe in circular motions.
 - For Vinyl: Use a dedicated record brush to gently remove dust before and after each play. For deeper cleaning, use a record cleaning solution and cloth.
- **Storage:** Store albums in their original cases or sleeves, upright, and away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and humidity.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues during playback, consider the following:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Disc/Record not playing	Improper placement, dirty surface, player issue.	Ensure correct placement. Clean the disc/record. Check if your player is functioning correctly with other media.
Skipping or distorted sound	Dust, scratches, worn stylus (vinyl), player lens dirty (CD).	Clean the disc/record thoroughly. Inspect for deep scratches. For vinyl, check and clean your turntable's stylus.
No sound	Volume too low, incorrect input selected, faulty cables.	Increase volume. Verify correct input on your amplifier. Check all audio cable connections.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Title:** Blackstar
- **Artist:** David Bowie
- **Brand:** RCA
- **Manufacturer:** Legacy Recordings
- **ASIN:** B017VORJK6
- **UPC/GTIN:** 796158673707, 775662276680, 888751738621
- **Language:** English
- **Product Dimensions (CD):** Approximately 5.53 x 4.97 x 0.41 inches
- **Weight (CD):** Approximately 3.2 ounces
- **Format:** CD (also available as Digital and Vinyl LP)
- **Number of Tracks:** 7

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty or support, please refer to the official RCA Records website or contact your retailer. As a music album, specific warranties typically cover manufacturing defects of the physical media.

Manufacturer: Legacy Recordings

For further assistance, please visit the [RCA Store on Amazon](#).

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