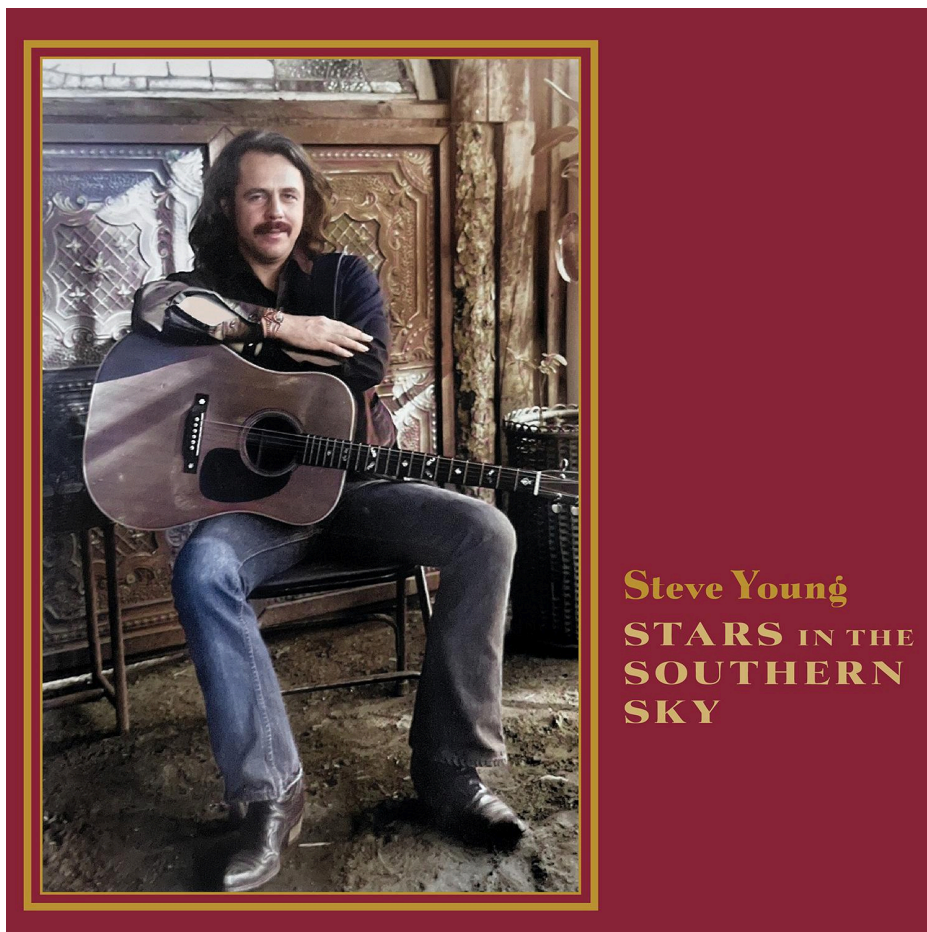


**Omnivore Recordings Announces
Stars In The Southern Sky
3-CD/Digital Set From Country Pioneer Steve Young**

Feat. iconic 1975 release *Honky-Tonk Man*, “Stanley And Henry” with Jim Post, and 34 previously unissued live performances including his classic “Seven Bridges Road”

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June 24, 2024: Omnivore Recordings has announced the 3-CD/Digital set from the Country Rock/Outlaw Country/Americana pioneer Steve Young, *Stars In the Southern Sky*. The collection features his iconic 1975 release *Honky-Tonk Man*, "Stanley And Henry" with Jim Post, and 34 previously unissued live performances, including his classic "Seven Bridges Road." The CD set also includes a 40 page booklet which contains photos and liner notes from set co-producers Stephen Powers and Ted Olson.

Omnivore have also announced that the original 11-track *Honky-Tonk Man* is available on vinyl for the first time in three decades.

Singer-songwriter and instrumentalist Steve Young (1942-2016) was a pioneer of "country rock" and "outlaw country," two movements that transformed mainstream country and impacted other genres of American popular music.

Several generations of artists—country music's new traditionalists during the 1980s, alternative country acts in the 1990s, as well as those associated with Americana music in the current century—broadened their audiences by merging country music with elements of other music genres. All those musicians have been indebted to Young and such contemporaries as Gram Parsons and Gene Clark, who collectively demonstrated how to integrate country music with other music genres.

Young, a Southerner, recorded more than a dozen distinctive albums, but none was more fully realized than his 1975 album *Honky-Tonk Man*. Recorded at the acclaimed Minneapolis studio Sound 80 and released by Mountain Railroad Records, a small independent label based in the Upper Midwest, *Honky-Tonk Man* documented the musical world of a complex if largely misunderstood artist during the peak of his powers.

Now, *Honky-Tonk Man* returns (also available in its original form on vinyl for the first time in three decades) as part of *Stars In The Southern Sky* – a 3-CD/Digital collection highlighting that monumental 1975 era. Packaged in a slipcase, featuring a 40 page booklet with rare photos and new liner notes from *Honky-Tonk Man* Producer Stephen Powers and Ted Olson (who both oversaw the set).

The whopping 47-track set contains *Honky-Tonk Man*, "Stanley And Henry" (Young's collaboration with Jim Post from Post's 1978 *I Love My Life* album) and 34 previously unissued live tracks including standards and original material including Young's classic "Seven Bridges Road." The track was a hit in 1980 for the Eagles using Iain Matthews' Michael Nesmith-produced version as a template, and was also covered by Dolly Parton, Alan Jackson, Rita Coolidge and more.

So, revisit the origins of Country Rock, Outlaw Country, and Americana. Sit back and enjoy the *Stars In The Southern Sky*!

Watch the trailer: <https://youtu.be/qcK5CjrxCRE>

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