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# Jack Garner's Plan B: 'Steve Martin: The Television Stuff'

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**STEVE MARTIN: THE TELEVISION STUFF.** If you love comedian Steve Martin (and I do), you've got to have this definitive three-disc set of performances over the years on television, including feature-length stand-up routines for HBO, four NBC specials, a wide variety of talk-show guest appearances and more. All told, there's more than six hours of glorious clowning around by the "wild and crazy" guy, from the arrow-in-the-head to the white suits to the banjo prop, and the original and creative, downright dadaist and surreal humor. I've loved his films, especially *L.A. Story*, and have always considered him the West Coast Woody Allen. Like Allen, he's a literate guy, a writer, and a comedy genius who formulated his distinct style doing stand-up, and

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that's what you'll find it. Another benefit in the collection: Steve Martin annotates a lot of it with commentary after various performances.

**Cast:** Steve Martin.

**Directors:** Various.

**Jack's rating:** 10.

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