



Not the real Santa

CDs/DVDs

Prickly St. Nick

The *Mirror's* own jolly Holiday elf critiques the latest batch of season-specific releases

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Ho, ho—cough—ho. I've been checking my list and checking it twice, but after listening to the latest laser-guided holiday claptrap, it seems that the majority of these greedy Grinches have been more naughty than nice.

Other worthwhile rap picks include Jazzy Jeff's *Hip Hop Forever III* CD, with tracks by Gang Starr, Mobb Deep, Redman, Eric B. & Rakim and the Pharcyde (but no Will Smith), the dope *Blackalicious* DVD, *4/20 Live in Seattle* (guess why they chose that particular date...), and on a local note, *Sunglasses Is a Must*, the DVD from Montreal's A-Trak—five-time DMC champ, Kanye West sidekick and obsessive zoo visitor.