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01. *Ring Ring* - 3:04 [play](#) 02. *Another Town, Another Train* - 3:11 03. *Disillusion* - 3:03  
04. *People Need Love* - 2:43 05. *I Saw It In The Mirror* - 2:32 06. *Nina, Pretty Ballerina* - 2:51  
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07. *Love Isn't Easy (But It Sure Is Hard Enough)* - 2:53 08. *Me And Bobby And Bobby's  
Brother* - 2:50 09. *He Is Your Brother* - 3:17 10. *She's My Kind Of Girl* - 2:43 11. *I Am Just A  
Girl* - 3:01 12. *Rock'n Roll Band* - 3:08 13. *Merry-Go-Round* 3:25 14. *Santa Rosa* 3:02 15. *Ring  
Ring (Bara Du Slog En Signal) (Swedish Version)* 3:08  
Personnel: - Benny Andersson - piano, keyboards, vocals, mellotron, producer - Björn  
Ulvæus - acoustic guitar, guitar, vocals, producer - Agnetha Fältskog - vocals - Anni-Frid  
Lyngstad - vocals + - Ola Brunkert, Roger Palm - drums - Rutger Gunnarsson, Mike Watson -  
electric bass - Janne Schaffer - acoustic guitar, electric guitar

Ring Ring is the debut studio album by the Swedish pop group ABBA. It was released in Scandinavia and a limited number of other territories, including West Germany, Australia, South Africa and Mexico, in 1973. The album was a chart-topping album in Belgium, and a big success in Holland, Norway and South Africa.

The album was re-released in Australasia in 1975, but was not released in the United Kingdom until 1992, and the United States until three years later. The re-release artwork for the album uses the name "ABBA", although at the time of the album's original release, the name ABBA had not yet been coined, and instead was awkwardly credited to "Björn & Benny, Agnetha & Frida". Ring Ring was first released on CD in Sweden in 1988; a West German CD release followed in 1990 (later released internationally). The album has been reissued in digitally remastered form three times; first in 1997, then in 2001 and again in 2005 as part of the The Complete Studio Recordings box set.

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The original 1973 Polar Music version of the album opens with "Ring Ring (Bara Du Slog En Signal)", the Swedish version of the track, and places the English language version as track four on Side B. The track "She's My Kind of Girl", included on the international editions, is in fact a song by Björn & Benny which dates back to 1969, which was a hit in Japan, and had also been included on the B side of the English version of the "Ring Ring" single in Scandinavia. The album also features a song co-written by Agnetha Fältskog. Although she had composed much of her Swedish solo output, the song "Disillusion", for which she wrote the music, is the only song released on an ABBA album to feature a songwriting contribution from her. When the first song "People Need Love" was recorded in the Spring of 1972, the group was just one of many projects the four members were involved in. Only after the title track, "Ring Ring" became a hit, did the four decide to go on working together as a permanent group.

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