

The short list

ONE THING YOU REALLY SHOULD KNOW

CDs 2 IPOD

The downside of buying a new iPod or MP3 player is finding the time to load it up with music — especially if you suffer from a bad case of complete technical ineptitude. Which is where CDs 2 iPod comes in. The firm will pick up your iPod or MP3 player — they deal with all brands — along with your CDs, and return it a couple of days later all ready to use. All the music is also downloaded onto DVDs or an external drive which you can keep as a back-up, and thoughtfully they also provide suitably idiot-proof instructions on how to use it. The service is cheap — 80p per CD plus a £20 fee to pick up and collect — and it works like clockwork. Better still, they don't even laugh at the more embarrassing elements of your music collection. www.cds2ipod.co.uk

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