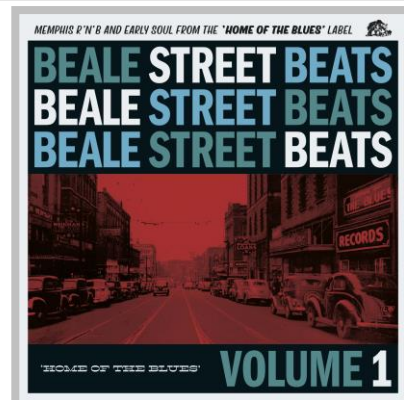


BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



PRODUCTINFO (Vinyl) October 8, 2021

Artist **Various Artists**
Title **Beale Street Beats, Vol. 1**
Home Of The Blues
Label Bear Family Productions
Catalog no. BAF14016 Price code: BAF
EAN-Code 5397102140167
Format 10" vinyl LP (25 cm), 45 rpm, with 8-page folder
Genre Rhythm 'n' Blues, Soul, Blues
No. of tracks 10 approx. 25:00 min.
Release date October 8, 2021



**BEAR FAMILY
PRODUCTIONS** 

INFO:

- **Memphis, Tennessee:** large urban metropolis on the Mississippi River, home to such legendary record labels as Sun, Stax, Hi Records and ... Home Of The Blues!
- **On two single high-quality 25cm LPs,** Bear Family Records® presents an overview of the creative years of this underrated label that released great rhythm 'n' blues, soul, blues and rock 'n' roll throughout the early 1960s.
- **Volume 1 with a focus on blues-laden recordings.**
- **This LP delivers rare tunes that are hard to find on the original format, recordings by Dave Dixon, Willie Cobbs and Jimmy Dotson, among others.**
- **The 8-page four-color folder includes extensive liner notes by Chicago music expert Bill Dahl, with photos from the label archives.**
- **Sebastian Klebe's elegant graphic design looks very appealing.**

Memphis hosted more than its share of record labels that would assume legendary status in years to come, but Home of the Blues had a decided advantage: its headquarters sat right on jumping Beale Street as an outgrowth of Ruben Cherry's record store of the same name. Launched in the summer of 1960, HOTB Records wisely hired local trumpeter Willie Mitchell as its house bandleader and picked up veteran R&B stars Roy Brown and The '5' Royales as its flagship acts. They're both aboard 'Home of the Blues,' the first of two 10-inch vinyl volumes compiled from HOTB's vaults. Also featured on this extremely solid LP are rare and splendid sides by Southern bluesmen Willie Cobbs and Jimmy Dotson, mellifluous Nashville R&B singer Larry Birdsong, Memphis rockers Billy Riley (raucously reviving Big Joe Turner's *Teenage Letter*) and Bill Yates, and Mitchell's tight combo. Brown's *Rocking All The Time* jumps every bit as hard as anything he'd previously cut for DeLuxe or King, and elegant guitarist Sammy Lawhorn's sublime title track is the icing on a consistently delicious cake.

TRACKLISTING:

Side A:

Sammy Lawhorn: Home Of The Blues **Larry Birdsong:** Little Schoolgirl **Willie Cobbs:** You're So Hard To Please
Bill Yates: I Believe To My Soul **Roy Brown:** Rocking All The Time

Side B:

Willie Mitchell: Thirty Five Thirty **Billy Lee Riley:** Teenage Letter **The '5' Royales:** Goofball **Roy Brown:** Sugar Baby
Jimmy Dotson: Search No More

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Taylor Made

BAF14011 BAFX

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Various Artists – Cree Records:

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The Big Rhythm & Blues Revue

CLP1208 CRX

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EAN: 5397102120824



Etta James:

Tell Mama

BAF18026 BAF

180g vinyl LP

EAN: 5397102180262

