



# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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<b>ARTIST</b>	<b>JIMMY McCracklin</b>
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>The Mercury Recordings</b>
<b>LABEL</b>	Bear Family Records
<b>CATALOG #</b>	BCD 15558
<b>PRICE-CODE</b>	AH
<b>EAN-CODE</b>	 4 000127 155580
<b>ISBN-CODE</b>	978-3-89916-409-1
<b>FORMAT</b>	CD with 12-page booklet
<b>GENRE</b>	R&B
<b>TRACKS</b>	13
<b>PLAYING TIME</b>	33:56



## KEY SELLING POINTS

- **The great bluesman's most commercial and sought-after recordings from 1958-1960!**
- **Included are 3 previously unissued masters**
- **Blues, Rock'n'Roll, and R&B collectors will want this!**

## SALES NOTES

One of the most prolific bluesmen of the post-war era, Jimmy McCracklin became a rock 'n' roll star during the late 1950s. After his Hot 100 hit *The Walk* in 1958, McCracklin signed with Mercury Records. That memorable chapter in the pianist's lengthy and prolific career is captured in fabulous detail on 'The Mercury Recordings,' containing every existing master from his 1958-1960 contract. Recording in New York with pioneering African American A&R man Clyde Otis, Jimmy waxed three blistering dance workouts at one session: his original *Georgia Slop*, *The Wobble*, and *Let's Do It (The Chicken Scratch)*, and all three of them are here. His last Mercury date in September '60 was done in New Orleans, and McCracklin laid down one of the truly great versions of *Folsom Prison Blues*. He wasn't on Mercury for long, but his brief stint makes for exciting listening. Collectors have been looking for this ever since Bear Family's original edition went out-of-print! Now it's back.

## TRACK LISTING

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|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. The Wobble                                        | 7. Doomed Lover                      |
| 2. Georgia Slop                                      | 8. With Your Love                    |
| 3. Hitched                                           | 9. Let's Do it (The Chicken Scratch) |
| 4. No One To Love Me                                 | 10. The Bridge                       |
| 5. (I'll Be Glad When You're Dead)<br>You Rascal You | 11. What's That, Part 1              |
| 6. By Myself                                         | 12. What's That, Part 2              |
|                                                      | 13. Folsom Prison Blues              |

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