



# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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ARTIST	BONNIE OWENS
TITLE	Queen Of The Coast
LABEL	Bear Family Records
CATALOG #	BCD 16178
PRICE-CODE	DK
EAN-CODE	 4000127161789
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FORMAT	4-CD box (LP-size) with 76-page hardcover book
GENRE	Country
TRACKS	103
PLAYING TIME	251:42



## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Married to Buck Owens and Merle Haggard, Bonnie Owens was the Queen of Bakersfield... and the original Honky Tonk Angel.
- All of Bonnie's recordings between 1953 and 1971, most of them appearing on CD for the very first time.
- Contains the original version of *A Dear John Letter* with Fuzzy Owen.
- Includes all of her duets with Merle Haggard, such as *Just Between The Two Of Us*, *Slowly But Surely* and *A Stranger In My Arms*.

## SALES NOTES

Merle Haggard: "I have no doubt that my success overshadowed Bonnie—it had to. Bonnie would be the last one to bring that up. She never complained. We were married and she was happy to tour and sing and write with me."

Bear Family profiles one of the greatest and most underrated female country singers of all time. Bonnie Owens was the major female artist to emerge from the Bakersfield scene... the scene that spawned Merle Haggard, Tommy Collins, Ferlin Husky, Wynn Stewart, and Buck Owens ... and later inspired Dwight Yoakam and several generations of honky tonk singers. Typically, Bear Family has sourced unbelievably rare and obscure recordings, including Bonnie's original version of the country classic, *A Dear John Letter*.

She won awards, she co-wrote *Today I Started Loving You Again*, she toured ceaselessly for decades, but saw relatively few hits. That, though, was no reflection on her talent, and Bear Family is proud to offer this tribute to one of the true, unheralded architects of alternative country music.

## TRACK LISTING

### CD 1:

1. A Dear John Letter (& Fuzzy Owen)
2. Wonderful Word (& Fuzzy Owen)

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3. I Traded My Heart For His Gold
4. Take Me
5. Just A Love For Someone To Steal
6. No Tomorrow (**& Fuzzy Owen**)
7. Father (**The Kern County Sweethearts**)
8. Please Don't Take Him From Me (**The Kern County Sweethearts**)
9. That Little Boy Of Mine
10. Wait A Little Longer, Please Jesus
11. Looking Back To See (**& Fuzzy Owen**)
12. Just For The Children's Sake
13. This Other
14. Missing On A Mountain (**& Tommy Dee**)
15. Why Don't Daddy Live Here Anymore
16. Waggin' Tongues
17. Stop The World (And Let Me Off)
18. Don't Take Advantage Of Me
19. Lie A Little
20. I'll Try Again Tomorrow
21. The Longer You Wait
22. You Don't Have Far To Go
23. Number One Heel
24. Beggin' To You
25. I Want To Be A Cowboy's Sweetheart
26. Pins And Needles

## CD 2:

1. Slowly But Surely (**& Merle Haggard**)
2. Just Between The Two Of Us (**& Merle Haggard**)
3. So Much For Me, So Much For You (**& Merle Haggard**)
4. A House Without Love Is Not A Home (**& Merle Haggard**)
5. I Want To Live Again (**& Merle Haggard**)
6. Number One Heel
7. Pins And Needles
8. Lie A Little
9. Stranger In My Arms (**& Merle Haggard**)
10. Souvenirs
11. Merry Go Round Of Love
12. She Don't Deserve You
13. Excuse Me For Living
14. I'll Take A Chance (**& Merle Haggard**)
15. Our Hearts Are Holding Hands (**& Merle Haggard**)
16. Too Used To Being With You (**& Merle Haggard**)
17. That Makes Two Of Us (**& Merle Haggard**)
18. Forever And Ever (**& Merle Haggard**)
19. Wait A Little Longer, Please Jesus (**& Merle Haggard**)
20. Living On Your Love
21. What's It Gonna Cost Me
22. You Don't Even Try
23. Someone Else You've Known
24. Whatever Happened To Me
25. Just For The Children's Sake
26. Consider The Children
27. I Know He Loves Me
28. The Best Part Of Me



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## CD 3:

1. Will You Want Me Just As Much
2. Any Part Of You
3. I Won't Go Lookin' For You
4. Gone Crazy
5. The Best Part Of Me
6. All Of Me Belongs To You
7. If You Really Want Me To
8. Adios, Farewell Goodbye, Good Luck, So Long
9. If You Really Want Me To
10. Everything That's Fastened Down Is Comin' Loose
11. I'd Be More Of A Woman
12. I Wish I Felt This Way At Home
13. Hangin' On
14. The Back Of My Hand
15. I Let A Stranger Buy The Wine
16. Number 82
17. Don't Tell Me
18. Just One Time
19. Somewhere Between
20. Wabash Cannon Ball
21. Tonight I'll Throw A Party

## CD 4:

1. Yes, I Love You Only
2. How Can Our Cheatin' Be Wrong'
3. When Billy Comes Home To Arkansas
4. I'll Look Over You
5. I'll Always Be Glad To Take You Back
6. I Couldn't Keep From Cryin'
7. Lead Me On
8. Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep Alone
9. I'll Kiss My Wedding Ring Goodbye
10. That Little Boy Of Mine
11. Jealous Heart
12. I Don't Care If Tomorrow Never Comes
13. How Many
14. What Else Can I Do
15. It Don't Take Much To Make Me Cry
16. My Hi-Fi To Cry
17. Philadelphia Lawyer
18. Where Could I Go But To The Lord
19. What A Friend We Have In Jesus
20. Medals For Mothers
21. I'll Fly Away
22. Wait A Little Longer, Please Jesus
23. Gathering Flowers for The Masters Bouquet
24. Where We'll Never Grow Old
25. Where The Soul Never Dies
26. I Saw The Light
27. Farther Along
28. Faded Love