



# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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**ARTIST**

Bill Yates

**TITLE**

**Blues Like Midnight – The Sun Years, plus**  
(All the Memphis sessions for SUN,  
HOME OF THE BLUES, IST and  
PIXIE RECORDS)

**LABEL**

Bear Family Productions

**CATALOG #**

BCD 17277

**PRICE-CODE**

AH

**EAN-CODE**

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**FORMAT**

1 CD digipac with 48-page booklet

**GENRE**

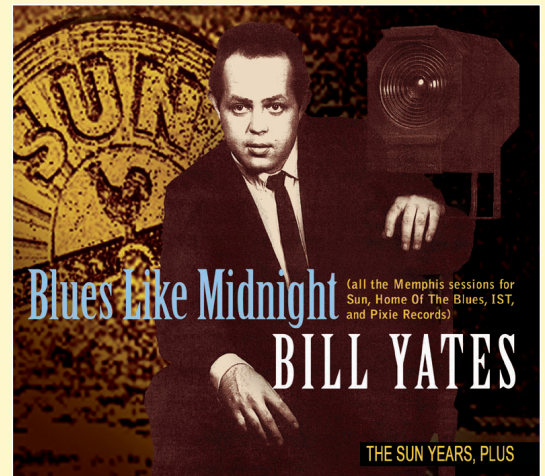
R&B

**TRACKS**

33

**PLAYING TIME**

87:27



- Contains all the singles made by Bill Yates in Memphis at the turn of the 1960's – and an astonishing collection of unknown and unissued sides!
- Includes the three renowned SUN singles by one of the very best, bluesy and soulful, white vocalists ever to appear on that label – together with 12(!) unissued tracks! Plus the three very rare singles on IST and PIXIE RECORDS! In addition, there are seven unissued sides made for the HOME OF THE BLUES label!
- In a 48-page booklet, Martin Hawkins brings together the untold story of Bill Yates and his music! Rare photographs!

## INFORMATION

Bill Yates had a background in gospel music and was an exceptional vocalist and a good pianist. During his time in Memphis, he worked on the edge between the emerging R&B/soul sound of the city and the late night blues and ballads of the day. His story is told here for the first time. Apart from his three renowned SUN singles, this music is incredibly rare and a welcome addition to the picture of Memphis music at the turn of the '60s.

Bill Yates worked a lot with the Billy Adams band, and there is a companion CD (BCD 17116) containing Billy Adams' part in the story.

*Note: There are other artists named Bill Yates in the rock & roll history books, principally a bluegrass player, but in Memphis music there was only one Bill Yates.*

Check our website for more releases in the 'The Sun Years, plus' series!  
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## TRACK LISTING

Mojo • All I Need Is You • Blues Like Midnight -1 • Fool Around With Love -1 • Don't Step On My Dog • Stop, Wait And Listen • Carleen -1 • Too Late To Right My Wrong • Big Big World -1 • I Dropped My M&Ms -1 • Signs In The Sand • Albuquerque • Blues Like Midnight -2 • (I'll Never) Fool Around With Love (NoMore) -2 • I'm So Lonely Without You • I Believe To My Soul • World Of Make Believe • Before I Lose My Mind • Boom Boom • Every Night About This Time • Before I Lose My Mind • Boom Boom • Every Night About This Time • Before I Lose My Mind -2 • High On The Hill (instrumental) • Recipe For Love • Tiny Tears • Share Your Love With Me • Carleen -2 • You Seem Like A Stranger To Me • Two Can Play The Game • I Dropped My M&Ms -2 • Big Big World -2 • Popcorn Polly • She's Still Got A Hold On Me -2 • Bill's Jazz (instrumental)

## ALSO AVAILABLE IN THE 'THE SUN YEARS, PLUS' SERIES:

**Billy Adams**  
**Rock Me Baby**

CD digipac with 48-page booklet  
BCD 17116 AH

**Mack Self**  
**Easy To Love**

CD with 32-page booklet  
BCD 16519 AH

**Tommy Blake**  
**Koolit**

CD with 36-page booklet  
BCD 16797 AH

**Gene Simmons**  
**Drinkin' Wine**

CD with 36-page booklet  
BCD 16758 AH

**Ernie Chaffin**  
**Laughin' & Jokin'**

CD with 44-page booklet  
BCD 16780 AH

**Ray Smith**  
**Rockin' Little Angel**

CD digipac with 56-page booklet  
BCD 16936 AH

**Jack Earls**  
**Slow Down**

2 CD digipac with 48-page booklet  
BCD 16935 BG

**Rufus Thomas**  
**His R&B Recordings 1949-1956**

CD digipac with 68-page booklet  
BCD 16695 AH

**Billy The Kid Emerson**  
**Red Hot**

CD digipac with 44-page booklet  
BCD 16937 AH

**Hayden Thompson**  
**Rock-A-Billy Gal**

CD with 48-page booklet  
BCD 16131 AH

**Billy 'Red' Love**  
**Gee ... I Wish**

CD digipac with 48-page booklet  
BCD 17149 AH

**Malcolm Yelvington**  
**It's Me, Baby**

CD with 32-page booklet  
BCD 16757 AH

**Doctor Ross & His Jump And Jive Boys**  
**Juke Box Boogie**

CD digipac with 44-page booklet  
BCD 16939 AH