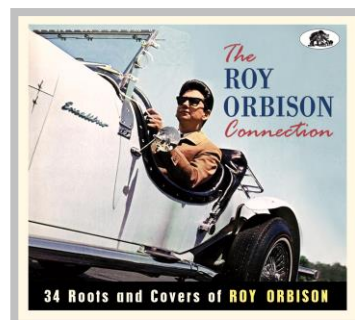


# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



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Artist **Various Artists**  
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## INFO:

- For Roy Orbison's 85th birthday, Bear Family releases this unique CD compilation of originals and rare cover versions of famous Roy Orbison songs in its 'Connections' series!
- Songs from Roy's early rockabilly years and from the sixties, when Orbison found his true passion, pop ballads.
- With 34 selections from the years 1955-1978 we prove the enormous influence of the great Roy Orbison on pop culture!
- Included are his colleagues at SUN Records in Memphis like Johnny Cash, Narvel Felts, Billy Lee Riley, Vernon Taylor and Jerry Lee Lewis!
- We deliver several, partly rare versions of his most legendary hits *Ooby Dooby*, *Dream Baby*, *Crying*, *Down The Line*, *Claudette*, *Rock House* and of course *Only The Lonely* - even a Brazilian version!
- Plus: rarities, like an extremely rare overdub version of the rare demo recording *You're My Baby*, written and recorded by Johnny Cash in 1955.
- Artists from five nations, singers from the USA, Great Britain, France, Australia and Brazil.
- The 36-page color booklet includes the story on the subject, written by noted music journalist Bill Dahl, with many photos and memorabilia, some rare.

### Ooby Dooby - A Cat Called Roy Orbison

In the 1950s Roy Orbison, then still under contract with SUN Records in Memphis, stood for pure rockabilly. This is also shown by a number of excellent cover versions, especially of *Ooby Dooby*, Orbison's first hit. We deliver here three versions, yes: read correctly, three! They could hardly be more different. The most famous version is by Janis Martin, followed by the one on Columbia by Sid King and The Five Strings, and at the end there is perhaps the rarest version by the Schneider Sisters from Australia. But Roy Orbison's other rockabilly classics are not neglected here, especially the late version of *You're My Baby* by former SUN colleague Billy Lee Riley from 1978.

### Crying - Roy Orbison Goes Pop

Most of the recordings in this compilation are actually cover versions, but some originals are included, including *Lana*, written by Roy Orbison himself but ironically recorded later, here's the original version by the vocal group The Velvets. The Everly Brothers recorded the mammoth ballad *Love Hurts* at the same time as Roy Orbison. The original of *Today's Teardrops*, written and recorded by Gene Pitney, and Joe Melson with a track he wrote for Roy are also included. Some of the top stars of the Sixties pay tribute with Bobby Fuller, Johnny Rivers and Jimmy Gilmer and The Fireballs. And country musicians like Waylon Jennings, Willie Nelson and Johnny Cash are also in the mix! Included is a 36-page full-color booklet with the detailed background, compiled and written by the great music journalist Bill Dahl, as well as many photos and illustrations, some of which are rare!

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## TRACKLISTING:

### CD:

**Janis Martin:** Ooby Dooby    **Narvel Felts:** Go, Go, Go    **Sid King & The Five Strings:** Ooby Dooby    **Bobby Fuller:** Rock House  
**Johnny Cash:** You're My Baby    **Billy Lee Riley:** You're My Baby    **Vernon Taylor:** Sweet And Easy To Love  
**Vince Taylor & His Play-Boys:** I Like It    **Kris Jensen:** Claudette    **Jimmy Gilmer & The Fireballs:** Almost Eighteen  
**Don Duke:** Only The Lonely    **Gene Pitney:** Today's Teardrops    **Paul Rich:** Running Scared    **The Everly Brothers:** Love Hurts  
**Bobby Vinton:** Crying    **Dion:** Candy Man    **Bruce Channel:** Dream Baby (How Long Must I Dream)    **Joe Melson:** Dance  
**Waylon Jennings:** The Crowd    **Les Carle:** In Dreams    **Mike Redway:** Blue Bayou    **Jerry Lee Lewis:** Mean Woman Blues  
**Willie Nelson:** Pretty Paper    **Dalida:** Je T'aime (It's Over)    **Johnny Rivers:** Oh, Pretty Woman    **The Velvets feat. Virgil Johnson:** Lana  
**Bob Moore & His Orchestra:** Pistolero (Instrumental)    **The Schneider Sisters:** Ooby Dooby    **Jerry Lee Lewis:** Down The Line (Go, Go, Go)  
**Terry Wayne & The Dukes:** Rock House    **The Everly Brothers:** Claudette    **Ronnie Cord:** Only The Lonely  
**Ray Ellis & His Orchestra:** Crying (Instrumental)    **Rikki Henderson:** Dream Baby (How Long Must I Dream)

## ALSO AVAILABLE:

### Roy Orbison: The Cat Called Domino

BAF14015 BAFX  
1-LP (10inch, Ltd, 45rpm) with 8-page booklet  
and Bonus CD  
EAN: **5397102140150**



### Roy Orbison: Rocks

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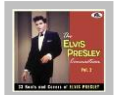
### Various Artists: The Elvis Presley Connection Vol.1

BCD17561 AR  
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### Various Artists: The Elvis Presley Connection Vol.2

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