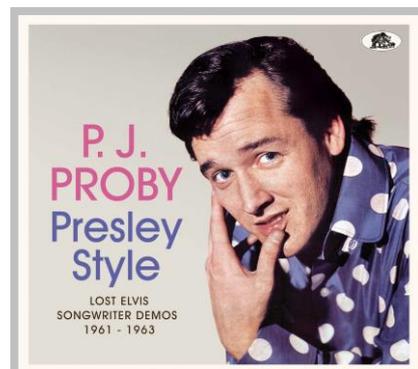


# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



## PRODUCTINFO (CD) April 6, 2023

Artist **P.J. Proby**  
Title **Presley Style - Lost Elvis Songwriter Demos, 1961 - 1963**  
Label **Bear Family Records**  
Catalog no. **BCD17678** Price code: AR  
EAN-Code **4000127176783**  
Format **1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet**  
Genre **Rock 'n' Roll, Pop**  
No. of tracks **21** approx. 45:00 min.  
Release date **April 6, 2023**



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## INFO:

- **Bear Family Records® are delighted to announce this collection of 21 tracks featuring previously unissued demonstration recordings for Elvis pitched to him by songwriters, all sung by P.J. Proby and released by special arrangement with P.J..**
- **The Elvis management insisted that all songs presented to him had to be professionally recorded with band or orchestra accompaniment on acetate and submitted for his consideration via his publishers.**
- **The voice of P.J. Proby totally fitted the bill!**
- **Still active as a performer today, Texas born Proby sang these demos for Elvis between 1961 and '63 before permanently residing in the UK where he had several major hits.**
- **We have digitally restored and mastered the original sources for this CD release with the utmost care and to our satisfaction.**
- **Elvis expert Trevor Simpson has written the liner notes telling the whole story of these demo recordings for Elvis.**
- **Rare picture documents and illustrations round out the extensive booklet.**
- **For fans of Elvis' music and the friends of P.J. Proby an equally exciting and welcome album!**

Bear Family Records® are delighted to announce the release 'P.J. Proby – Presley Style'. This collection of 21 tracks features demonstration recordings for Elvis pitched to him by songwriters, all sung by P.J. Proby. The Elvis management insisted that all songs presented to him, had to be recorded on acetate and submitted for his consideration via his Hill & Range publishers.

Competition amongst the songwriters was intense as they created fully produced recordings hoping to catch the ear of Elvis. Many used vocalists who sounded like Elvis, in the hope of giving them the edge, and the voice of P.J. Proby totally fitted the bill. Many of these songs were pitched for specific scenes in Elvis movies and were written accordingly after the songwriters studied the Hollywood script. On this collection, you can hear not only the successful songs chosen by Elvis, but also others which, although highly credible songs, were beaten by the finally recorded version.

P.J. said, *"I had a couple of the demos in my possession and had been looking for more, as I had recorded so many. When they came with all the ones they had found and offered them back to me, I said, 'Wonderful! Wonderful!'. I cherish them as a fond memory of songwriters Ben Weisman and Ruth Batchelor and the days we recorded the demos because we were so close. I want to share them with the world, as they are such an important piece of history"*.

The release includes a 36-page booklet featuring rare Elvis and PJ memorabilia and an in-depth look at all the songs and where they fitted into the specific movies. These tracks have been 'lost' for around 60 years, and this historic and nostalgic release will appeal to fans of both P.J. and Elvis and fills a gap for collectors in the history of the music.

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## TRACKLISTING:

### CD:

Cotton Candy Land    Take Me To The Fair    Fun In Acapulco    Me And Mi Amigo    Margarita    'Til Love Comes To You    Which Way  
Do I Turn    Slowly But Surely    It's Carnival Time    Happy Go Lucky Me    Carnival Of Dreams    I'll Keep Your Secret  
Everything I Need    The Greatest Show    A Fool To Wander    Come And Get It    Where Is Pappy?    Snap To!    Whatta They Know  
In My Dreams    Because Of Love

## ALSO AVAILABLE:

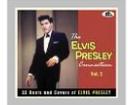
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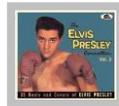
### Various Artists: The Elvis Presley Connection, Vol.2

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### Various Artists: The Elvis Presley Connection, Vol.3

BCD17640 AR  
1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet  
EAN: 4000127176400



### Don Robertson: And Then I Wrote – Songs For Elvis

BCD16654 AR  
1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet  
EAN: 4000127166548



### Charlie McCoy: Screamin', Shoutin', Beggin', Pleadin'

BCD17634 AR  
1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet  
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