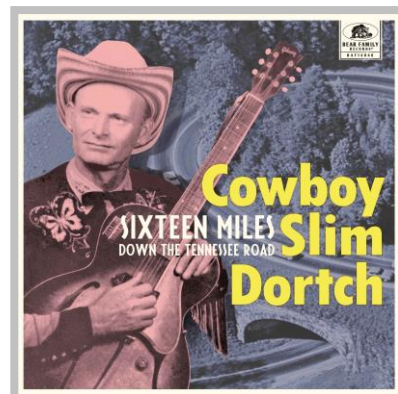


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PRODUCTINFO (Vinyl) November 6, 2026

Artist	Cowboy Slim Dortch		
Title	Sixteen Miles (Down the Tennessee Road)		
Label	Bear Family Records		
Catalog no.	BAF14046	Price code:	BAF
EAN-Code	4000127140463		
Format	10" vinyl LP (25 cm), 45 rpm, limited & numbered edition (500 copies) with 8-page booklet		
Genre	Country, Rockabilly		
No. of tracks	10	approx.	27:00 min.
Release date	November 6, 2026		



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INFO:

- **Rare and some unissued tracks by rockabilly legend Slim Dortch on a single album for the first time**
- **An essay based on extensive research and interviews with family members**
- **Carefully restored audio tracks from the best surviving sources**
- **Limited edition with an 8-page booklet**

Bear Family Records® is the first label to compile and release Cowboy Slim Dortch's complete and ultra-rare 1960s rockabilly recordings on one LP: BAF14046 *Cowboy Slim Dortch: Sixteen Miles (Down The Tennessee Road)*. Cowboy Slim Dortch - the name practically screams "hillbilly." Once you listen to "Big Boy Rock," that association quickly fades. For a long time now, collectors have - rightly - regarded this record as the "Holy Grail," and original copies have fetched as much as €2,000 at auctions in the past! Nevertheless, the name "Cowboy" Slim Dortch stands for not just this one song, but a whole series of authentic country and rockabilly recordings well worth listening to - many of which are presented for the first time on this album.

Dortch was born in 1921 near Paris, Tennessee. As early as the 1930s, Slim crisscrossed the United States as a traveling musician. For a few extra dollars, he would also make the rounds at every radio station between Dallas and Chicago. For most musicians of that era, the brand-new medium of radio was the longed-for springboard to fame - and, until then, their only hot meal of the day.

Slim Dortch's music, as well as his life story, had long been forgotten. But this album now serves as a fitting tribute to "Cowboy" Slim Dortch - both the artist and the man. Of the 10 tracks presented here - which include, among others, two recordings by Dortch's longtime companions Jack & Buddy Keele - seven have never been re-released!

All of these songs were recorded in the mid-1960s under the supervision of Style Wooten, the "King of Memphis Custom Recording." Dortch was fortunate enough to record his sessions with the help of some great musicians. He worked not only with Wooten, but also with colleagues who have since become legendary, such as Roland Janes, Chips Moman, and Travis Wammack.

These songs are as raw, authentic, and unadulterated as music from that era can be. They showcase an artist who remained true to his musical roots despite commercial pressures from the Nashville Sound and Beatlemania. Yet he was also torn between the traditions he lived by and the musical revolution he had been experiencing firsthand since the mid-1950s.

Bear Family Records® presents BAF14046 *Cowboy Slim Dortch: Sixteen Miles (Down The Tennessee Road)* - ultra-rare rockabilly, restored and mastered from the best sources. Limited to 500 copies, this 10-inch vinyl edition comes with a 8-page booklet, rare photos from the Dortch family collection, and a great essay by rockabilly researcher Alexander Petruskas.

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TRACKLISTING:

Side A:

Sixteen Miles

Big Boy Rock

The Black Rose

Stop, I'll Walk with You

Over at Uncle Joe's

Side B:

Mailing My Last Letter

A Long Time

Broad Tennessee

Memories of You (Jack & Buddy Keele)

Time After Time (Buddy Keele)

ALSO AVAILABLE:

Jerry Reed:

The Rockin' U.S. Male

BAF14024 BAF

10inch vinyl LP, with 8-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 4000127140241



Ronnie Hawkins:

Red Hot Rockin' with Ronnie Hawkins

BAF14027 BAFX

10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 4000127140272



Various Artists:

Left Behind - Black & White 'Felsted' Rockers

BAF14022 BAFX

10inch vinyl LP, with 16-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 5397102140228



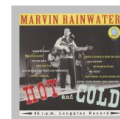
Marvin Rainwater:

Hot And Cold

BAF14033 BAFX

10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 4000127140333



Eddie Bond:

Talking Off The Wall!

BAF14034 BAFX

10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 4000127140340



Vince Maloy:

Flying High With Vince Maloy The Complete Recordings

BAF14035 BAF

10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard

EAN: 4000127140357



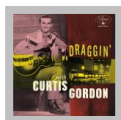
Curtis Gordons:

Draggin' With Curtis Gordon

BAF14012 BAF

10inch vinyl LP, with 8-page booklet, postcard

EAN: 5397102140129



Roy Orbison:

The Cat Called Domino

BAF14015 BAFX

10inch vinyl LP, with 8-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 5397102140150



Gene Vincent:

We Sure Miss You

BAF14019 BAFX

10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD

EAN: 5397102140198



Wanda Jackson:

Honey Bop

BAF14029 BAF

10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard

EAN: 4000127140296

