

BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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ARTIST THE CUES
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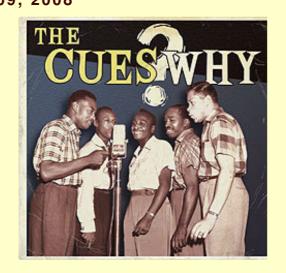
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FORMAT CD with 24-page booklet

GENRE R&B TRACKS 28

PLAYING TIME 69:13



KEY SELLING POINTS

- They backed everyone! LaVern Baker, Ruth Brown, Big Joe Turner...!
- An absolute must-have for doo-wop and vocal group collectors!
- They recorded the original version of Bill Haley's Burn That Candle and recorded the Hot 100 classic Why

SALES NOTES

Of all the talented vocal groups populating the mid-1950s New York R&B scene, perhaps none were on as many recordings as the Cues – even if few outside the industry knew about it. The versatile vocal quintet provided background harmonies for Ruth Brown, LaVern Baker, Ivory Joe Hunter, and Big Joe Turner. Assembled by legendary Atlantic Records A&R man Jesse Stone in 1954, the Cues made a series of 1954-1956 singles under their own name for Lamp, Jubilee, Capitol, and Prep that constitute 'Why', Bear Family's exhaustive overview of the group's career.

The Cues cut the classic *Burn That Candle* (Kirk wrote it under his *nom de plume* Winfield Scott), but as was so often the case their R&B original was covered by a pop group, Bill Haley & His Comets. They also cut *Cracker Jack* the same week that rockabilly wildman Joe Clay cut it for RCA Victor. All in all, these are some wild, rockin' and hugely accomplished vocal group sides. Look at the titles, *Killer Diller... Crazy, Crazy Party Scoochie Scoochie*, etcetera. Now add the cream of the New York session musicians like Sam The Man Taylor.

TRACK LISTING

- 1. Yes Sir
- **2.** Why



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- 3. Crackerjack
- 4. Burn That Candle
- 5. Much Obliged
- 6. Poppa Loves Momma
- 7. Charlie Brown
- 8. Crazy, Crazy Party
- 9. You're On My Mind
- 10. Ladder
- 11. Destination 2100 And 65
- 12. Prince Or Pauper
- 13. Rock'n'Roll Mr. Oriole
- 14. Warm Spot
- 15. The Girl I Love
- 16. Oh My Darlin'
- 17. Killer Diller
- 18. I Pretend
- 19. Be My Wife
- 20. Don't Make Believe
- 21. Only You
- 22. I Fell For Your Loving
- 23. Hot Rotten Soda Pop
- 24. So Near And Yet So Far
- 25. Forty 'Leven Dozen Ways
- 26. Scoochie Scoochie
- 27. Yes Sir
- 28. Ol' Man River