

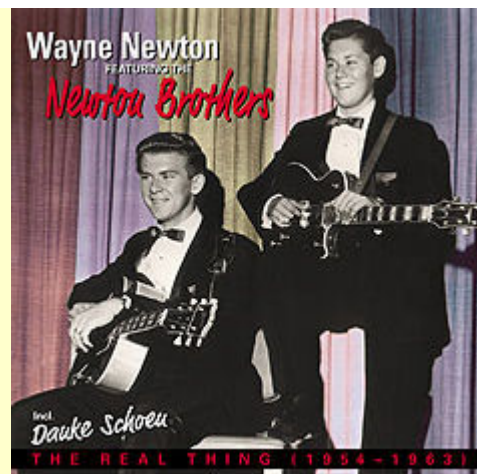


# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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<b>ARTIST</b>	Wayne Newton featuring the Newton Brothers
<b>TITLE</b>	The Real Thing (1954 – 1963)
<b>LABEL</b>	Bear Family Records
<b>CATALOG #</b>	BCD 16675
<b>PRICE-CODE</b>	AH
<b>EAN-CODE</b>	4000127166753
<b>ISBN-CODE</b>	3-89916-028-2
<b>FORMAT</b>	CD
<b>GENRE</b>	Country, Pop
<b>TRACKS</b>	32
<b>PLAYING TIME</b>	75:51



## SALES NOTES

Wayne Newton IS Mister Las Vegas. He understands the city and what it takes to play there. He has seen it grow from a Mob hideaway in the desert to middle America's No.1 recreation spot, and he has played a role in that transition. No one – since the end of Sinatra's Rat Pack – has been more popular there.

But it has been a long, long way for Wayne Newton from the hills of Virginia to the rough, wooden floorboards of a hay wagon, parked outside a grocery store in Phoenix, Arizona, to the glitzy neon lights of the Las Vegas strip.

This compact disc compiles all of the early Wayne Newton and Newton Brothers records for Ranger, ABC, George, Lama and Capitol, from 1954-1963. It's a unique retrospective of all the 45 rpm releases before and including his 1963 break through, *Danke Schoen*. It also includes many rare, unreleased songs that were recently discovered, including Wayne's very first three demos from 1954, featuring his brother, Jerry!

From early hillbilly, doo wop, and rockabilly, to standards, ballads and hits, Wayne Newton and the Newton Brothers covered all styles of music in their first decade. Then, in 1962, Wayne met a kindred spirit, pop star Bobby Darin (*Mack The Knife, Beyond The Sea*, etc.) and Darin began producing him. Their first hit was Bert Kaempfert's *Danke Schoen* (featured here) and from that point there was no looking back.

The CD includes Bear Family's usual extensive liner notes and visuals. It is a 'must have' for the many Newton fans all over the world. Hear for yourself how Wayne Newton transformed himself from a hillbilly wannabe to 'The Midnight Idol,' 'Mr. Entertainment' and 'Mr. Las Vegas.' This generously full 32 track CD is indeed 'The Real Thing.'

## TRACK LISTING

Out Arizona Way - They Don't Know Nothin' At All - Rascal Boogie (demo) - If The Easter Bunny Knew The Fun He'd Have On Xmas - Rascal Boogie - I'm Sad, Blue And Lonesome - Baby, Baby, Baby - I'm Too Young To Fall In Love With You - Rock 'n' Roll Lullabye - Careless Love - I'm No Good Without You - Start At The Bottom - I Spy - Bird Watcher's Ball - The Real Thing - The Little White Cloud That Cried - Calorie Date - You're Much Too Lovely To Cry - The Wild Irish Rose - I Want To Mean Everything To You - Little Jukebox - I Was Born When You Kissed Me - I Still Love You - What Does She Do With Him? - The Little White Cloud That Cried (overdubbed) - Heart - So Long Lucy - Better Now Than Later - Shirl Girl - Someone's Ahead Of You - Dream Baby - Danke Schoen



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