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Bill Anderson
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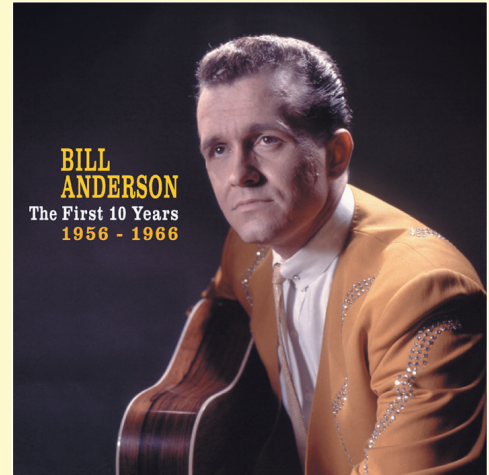
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- The first comprehensive anthology spotlighting Bill Anderson, the most successful singer-songwriter during the Nashville Sound's classic era.
- Contains 21 'Billboard' country chart hits, including such favorites as *Po' Folks*, *Mama Sang A Song*, *Still*, *Bright Lights And Country Music*, *I Love You Drops* and *I Get The Fever*.
- Includes everything from Anderson's first eight DECCA albums plus seven non-LP 'B' sides and three unissued studio tracks.
- Five duets with Jan Howard, including the chart-topping *For Loving You*.
- Features the first reissue of Anderson's rare, early TNT singles including the rocking *Take Me* and the premiere recording of his enduring honky-tonk anthem *City Lights*.
- Includes twelve demos of Anderson originals from the singer's private collection, among them a duet featuring a teen-aged Dolly Parton.

INFORMATION

With a career dating back to the mid-fifties, Bill Anderson is probably the most successful singer-songwriter in country music history. A member of the Grand Ole Opry for more than a half-century, he remains an engaging performer, a prolific writer and one of the industry's most respected elder statesmen.

His best-selling DECCA recordings of the late fifties and through the sixties were benchmarks in the emerging Nashville Sound. Outside of indifferently assembled 'hits' packages, these sides have never been properly reissued on compact disc – until now. Assembled with the singer's co-operation, this four-CD compilation gathers every surviving master recording from 1956 through 1966, plus an alternate version of *3 A.M.* The set includes Anderson's first single, released while he was a 19-year-old University of Georgia student.

For those who only know the singer for the intimate, soft-spoken vocals and recitations that landed him the nickname 'Whispering Bill,' these early sides are a revelation, a diverse mix ranging from rockabilly balladry to Texas-style shuffles to unapologetic honky-tonk to Nashville pop country. The set also includes twelve demos from Anderson's private collection, including such now-celebrated songs as *I Love You Drops*; *The Cold, Hard Facts Of Life*; *Once A Day*; *Slippin' Away*; and *The Lord Knows I'm Drinkin'*. A young Dolly Parton duets with Anderson on *If It's All The Same To You*.

This collection includes a detailed biography of Anderson's remarkable career through 1966, illustrated with photos and memorabilia from the singer's personal archive.

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TRACK LISTING

CD 1: Empty Room • Take Me • City Lights • No Song To Sing • That's What It's Like To Be Lonesome (single version) • The Thrill Of My Life • Ninety-Nine • Back Where I Started From • It's Not The End Of Everything • Dead Or Alive • No Man's Land • The Tip Of My Fingers • Walk Out Backwards • Best Of Strangers • Flowing Waters And Shifting Sands • Goodbye Cruel World • Po' Folks • As Long As I Live • It Takes A Worried Man • City Lights • Columbus Stockade Blues • Mama Sang A Song • Wedding Bells • Yonder Comes A Sucker • Blue Eyes Crying In The Rain • On And On And On • Get A Little Dirt On Your Hands • Down Came The Rain • Still • You Made It Easy • I Wish It Was Mine • That's What It's Like To Be Lonesome

CD 2: From A Jack To A King • Little Band Of Gold • Restless • Happiness • Reverend Mr. Black • It's Been So Long, Darlin' • Take These Chains From My Heart • Molly • "8 x 10" • I'll Be Somewhere • One Mile Over – Two Miles Back • Take Me Home • Candy Apple Red • Cincinnati Ohio • Easy Come Easy Go • Five Little Fingers • Me • 500 Miles Away From Home • You Don't Have To Be A Baby To Cry • Abilene • Green, Green • I'm Leaving It All Up To You • I Love You More And More Every Day • Memory #1 • In Case You Ever Change Your Mind • In The Misty Moonlight • 3 A.M. • Then And Only Then • Worry • You Can Have Her • Then I'll Stop Loving You • Mountain Dew

CD 3: 3 A.M. (Remake) • Twist Of The Wrist • Certain • I Love You Drops • Once A Day • I Missed Me • I've Enjoyed As Much Of This As I Can Stand • Saginaw Michigan • I Don't Love You Anymore • Riverboat • I Know You Are Married (But I Love You Still) (& JAN HOWARD) • Time Out (& JAN HOWARD) • I'll Be Waiting (& JAN HOWARD) • Bright Lights And Country Music • Born • The Freighter • Wild Side Of Life • Truck Drivin' Man • I'll Go Down Swinging • The Strangers Story • Walking The Dog • How The Other Half Lives • Wine • All Nite Cafe • Cocktails • Golden Guitar • Think I'll Go Somewhere (And Cry Myself To Sleep) • In The Summertime • Used To • I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry

CD 4: Lovin' Pains • When Liking Turns To Loving • Talkin' To The Wall • Next Time You're In Tulsa • I Get The Fever (remake) • Nail My Shoes To The Floor • The First Mrs. Jones • Papa • For Loving You (& JAN HOWARD) - The Untouchables (& JAN HOWARD) • Get While The Gettin's Good • Something To Believe In • Ride Ride Ride • My Daddy And My Mama And Me • A Satisfied Mind • Bad Seed • Remember Me • The Wheel Of Hurt • Open Up Your Heart • Homesick • I'm Ashamed Of You • If It's All The Same To You (& DOLLY PARTON) • Here Lies The Heart Of Amos Brown • Once A Day • The Cold Hard Facts Of Life • Think I'll Go Somewhere (And Cry Myself To Sleep) • I Love You Drops • I'll Go Down Swingin' • You And Your Sweet Love • The Lord Knows I'm Drinkin' • Slippin' Away • Nobody But A Fool