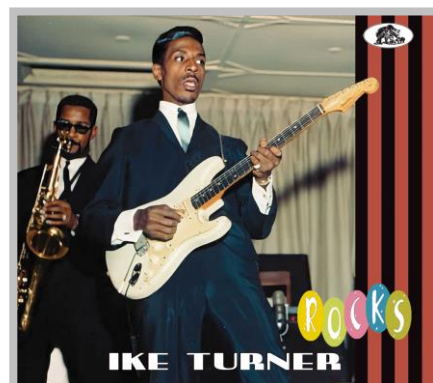


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Artist **Ike Turner**
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INFO:

- **Ike Turner proved to be a challenging and polarizing character, considered moody, irascible and aggressive, even towards his partner.**
- **Despite all his contradictions, Ike Turner the musician is considered an influential figure in R'n'R, a talent scout, producer, pianist and pioneering guitar stylist.**
- **Bear Family Records® gathers the very best early rockers and instrumentals by this brilliant musician on a CD in our Rocks series.**
- **Chicago music historian Bill Dahl has studied Turner's life and work in great depth and describes the significance of the R'n'R eccentric in the illustrated and detailed liner notes.**
- **As always, our team has made every effort to extract the best possible sound quality from the original sources.**

Sometimes you have to separate the man from the music-seldom a wiser course of action than in the case of Ike Turner. No matter your feelings regarding the man himself, the recordings he made during the 1950s rocked with an unbridled vengeance, whether Ike was laying down supple boogie piano underpinnings or whammy bar-laden guitar magic. This collection largely concentrates on Turner's pre-Tina years, when his band, The Kings of Rhythm, operated like a well-oiled machine and Ike was the picture of polished professionalism. He and The Kings bounced from one label to the next (Chess, Modern, Federal, Cobra and Sue are all amply represented), spotlighting an array of extraordinary vocalists. Many of them are showcased on this set, beginning with Jackie Brenston's immortal *Rocket "88,"* a 1951 R&B chart-topper and a genuine rock and roll landmark. Dennis Binder, Billy Gayles, Clayton Love, Tommy Hodge, and Jimmy Thomas all had big, booming voices when they fronted Ike's combo - a must, since Turner was going insane behind them on his lethal axe. That was especially true on the band's 1956-57 Federal sides; *I'm Tore Up*, *Sad As A Man Can Be* and *Gonna Wait For My Chance* are downright intimidating in their rollicking intensity. Several splendid instrumentals from The Kings of Rhythm's 1961 album 'Dance' represent a last stand for the band's initial phase, Tina's ascension to stardom shifting Ike's creative energies in another direction. This is truly some hellraising stuff!

TRACKLISTING:

CD:

Billy Gayles with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm: Just One More Time **Jackie Brenston with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm:** Much Later
Ike Turner: Matchbox (Tommy Hodges: vocals) **Icky Renrut:** Hey - Hey **Billy Gayles with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm:** Sad As A Man
Can Be **Ike Turner:** The Groove **Ike Turner:** (I Know) You Don't Love Me **Ike Turner:** The Rooster **Jackie Brenston and his Delta**
Cats: Rocket „88“ **Ike Turner:** Box Top **Icky Renrut:** Jack Rabbit **Dennis Binder and his Orchestra:** Early Times
Ike Turner: The Big Question **The Sly Fox:** Hoo-Doo Say **Jackie Brensten with Ike Turner's Orchestra:** Trouble Up The Road
Willie King with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm: Peg Leg Woman **Ike & Tina Turner:** It's Gonna Work Out Fine
Ike Turner: Katanga **Ike Turner:** Do You Mean It **Billy Gayles with Ike Turner's Rhythm Rockers:** I'm Tore Up
Ike Turner: Steel Guitar Rag (Square Dance) **Ike Turner:** She Made My Blood Run Cold **Icky Renrut:** Ho-Ho
Ike Turner: That's All I Need **Jackie Brenston with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm:** Gonna Wait For My Chance
Billy Gayles with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm: No Coming Back **Ike Turner:** Walking Down The Aisle
Ike Turner: Go To It **Billy Gayles with Ike Turner's Kings Of Rhythm:** Do Right Baby **Bonnie and Ike Turner:** Lookin' For My Baby
Ike Turner: Potatoe Mash **Icky Renrut:** In Your Eyes Baby **Ike Turner:** Loosely

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