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1. *I Walk On Guided Splinters (Dr. John)* - 5:50 2. *Leaving Trunk (Sleepy John Estes)* - 4:20
3. *Blind Bats And Swamp Rats (Jackie Avery)* - 4:45 4. *Catfish Blues (Muddy Waters)* - 5:20 5.
Sick And Tired (Dave Bartholomew, Chris Kenner) - 4:42 6. *Down Along The Cove (Bob Dylan)*
- 3:25 7. *Bad News (J.D. Loudermilk)* - 4:08 8. *Dimples (John Lee Hooker, James Bracken)* -
2:56 9. *Voodoo In You (Jackie Avery)* - 5:05 10. *I Don't Want No Woman (Don Robey)* - 2:12
11. *My Love Will Never Die (Otis Rush)* - 5:32 Bass – Berry Oakley Bass, Timbales – Robert
Popwell Congas, Percussion – Eddie Hinton, John Wyker, Tippy Armstrong Drums – Butch
Trucks, Johnny Sandlin Guitar, Slide Guitar – Duane Allman, Pete Carr Guitar, Slide Guitar,
Piano, Organ – Paul Hornsby Timbales – Jai Johanny Johanson Vocals, Guitar, Harmonica –
Johnny Jenkins

Johnny Jenkins' Ton-Ton Macoute is a fine bowl of Southern gumbo. Aided and abetted by the likes of Duane Allman (this started as an Allman solo disc, but when he formed the Allman Brothers Band, Jenkins put his vocals over the tracks best suited), Dickey Betts, and those great guys from Muscle Shoals, Jenkins cooks on such cuts as "Down Along the Cove" from the pen of Bob Dylan, and Muddy Waters' "Rollin' Stone." But it is Dr. John's "I Walk on Guided Splinters" which shines here and is the one which folks will recognize as the basis for Beck's hit "Loser." On the slippery "Blind Bats & Swamp Rats" you can almost feel the heat and humidity rolling out of the bayou. This reissue also includes the mighty fine bonus cuts "I Don't Want No Woman" and "My Love Will Never Die." Great Southern funk & roll for the discerning listener. It even includes educational liner notes which tell the tale behind each cut. ---James Chrispell, AllMusic Review

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