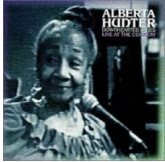


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01. My Castle's Rockin' 02. The Love I Have For You 03. I Got Rhythm 04. Downhearted Blues 05. Time Waits For No One 06. I'm Havin' A Good Time 07. Two-Fisted Double-Jointed Rough And Ready Man 08. The Sarktown Strutter's Ball 09. Sometimes I'm Happy 10. I've Got A Mind To Ramble 11. Old Fashioned Love 12. You Can't Tell The Difference After Dark 13. Remember My Name 14. When You're Smiling (The Whole World Smiles With You) 15. Georgia On My Mind 16. Handy Man 17. Never Knew My Kisses 18. You're Welcome To Come Back Home
Gerald Cook- Piano Jimmy Lewis- Bass Alberta Hunter- Vocals

Few singers have a story as long and varied as that of Alberta Hunter, whose career spanned most of the 20th century. From the dawn of the classic blues era, through two world wars, a long hiatus, and a fresh start shortly before her death in 1984, Hunter stuck to the rich vocals, full expression, and classical style. Although this recording was made during her 80s, when she came out of retirement to sing at the Cookery in Greenwich Village, her voice, having lessened some in power, had lost none of its charm. The woman who counted such legends as Bessie Smith, Mamie Smith, and Ma Rainey among her contemporaries, and who wrote Bessie Smith's classic hit "Downhearted Blues," here delivers an appealing set of classic blues, including a stunning rendition of "I Got Rhythm." ---Genevieve Williams, allmusic.com

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