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Dee Dee Bridgewater – Love and Peace (1994)



01 Permit Me to Introduce You to Yourself 02 Nica's Dream 03 TheTokyo Blues 04 Pretty Eyes 05 St. Vitus Dance 06 You Happened My Way 07 Soulville 08 Filthy McNasty 09 Song for My Father 10 Doodlin' 11 Lonely Woman <u>play</u> 12 TheJody Grind <u>play</u> 13 Blowin' the Blues Away.

Dee Dee Bridgewater - Vocals Horace Silver - Piano Jimmy Smith - Organ Thierry Eliez - Piano Lionel Belmondo - Sax, Tenor Stephane Belmondo - Trumpet Hein van de Geyn - Bass André Ceccarelli - Drums.

Dee Dee Bridgewater performs 13 of Horace Silver's songs on this well-conceived release. On most selections she is accompanied by her French quintet, but there are also two guest appearances apiece for organist Jimmy Smith and pianist Silver himself ("Nica's Dream" and "Song for My Father"). Throughout, Bridgewater uplifts Silver's lyrics, proves to be in prime form, and swings up a storm. Other high points include "Filthy McNasty," "Doodlin'," and "Blowin' the Blues Away."A Gem.--- Scott Yanow

This is definitely one of Dee Dee's best albums. A must-have if you're a fan of Dee Dee's dynamic singing and rip-roaring scat. If you're a fan of Horace Silver's compositions, all the better--but it's by no means a must for enjoying the album. Horace even makes an appearance on a track or two, easily distinguishable from the pianist's main CD (who does a fine job of his own). Check out "Nica's Dream" for the best groove on the album. About the only thing lacking on the album is the two brothers playing sax and trumpet don't always swing too well--but it's negligible enough to make the album a worthwhile buy. Definitely buy it over one of her other albums like "Dear Ella" . ---Le Kang

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