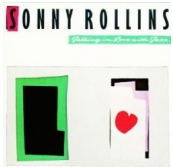


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1 For All We Know 2 Tennessee Waltz 3 Little Girl Blue 4 Falling In Love With Love
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5 I Should Care 6 Sister 7 Amanda

Personnel: Sonny Rollins, Branford Marsalis (tenor saxophone); Clifton Anderson (trombone); Mark Soskin (piano, synthesizer); Tommy Flanagan (piano); Jerome Harris (guitar, electric bass); Bob Cranshaw (electric bass); Jack DeJohnette, Jeff Watts (drums).

In a career that spanned more than five decades, Sonny Rollins has worked in nearly every style of jazz, from his early days with Miles Davis to his excursions into fusion during the 1970s. Through it all he has remained a uniquely talented player. On 1989's *FALLING IN LOVE WITH JAZZ*, Rollins brings together several of his frequent '80s collaborators, including Clifton Anderson on trombone, pianist Mark Soskin and electric bassist Bob Cranshaw. On two tracks, the standard "For All We Know" and Sammy Cahn's "I Should Care," Rollins works with a group featuring such fine instrumentalists as Branford Marsalis, who contributes some Rollins-esque tenor sax, along with Tommy Flanagan on piano and drummer Jack DeJohnette. The set also includes Rollins's inimitable take on "Tennessee Waltz" and two originals, "Sister" and "Amanda," both given an intimate setting consisting of just Rollins's sax, an electric guitar and a trombone. ---cduniverse

This average effort from Sonny Rollins and his regular sextet is most notable for two numbers ("For All We Know" and "I Should Care") that find Branford Marsalis joining Rollins in a quintet with pianist Tommy Flanagan. Unfortunately Marsalis makes the fatal error of trying to imitate Rollins (instead of playing in his own musical personality) and he gets slaughtered. Much better are Rollins's romps on "Tennessee Waltz" and "Falling in Love with Love." ---Scott Yanow

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