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Stan Getz - Best Of The West Coast Sessions (1997)



1 Four 7:32 2 Of Thee I Sing 4:08 3 A Handful Of Stars 3:40 4 Suddenly It's Spring 6:56 5 Blues For Mary Jane 7:50 6 You're Blase 4:10 7 How About You? 7:08 8 East Of The Sun (And West Of The Moon) 6:17 9 But Beautiful 5:20 10 S-h-i-n-e 8:53 Stan Getz - Sax (Tenor) Conte Candoli - Trumpet Lou Levy - Piano Leroy Vinnegar - Bass Shelly Manne - Drums Stan Levey - Drums

In 1996 when Verve released a three-CD set that fully documented six sessions from the 1955-57 period by tenor saxophonist Stan Getz, they also came out with this one-CD sampler. Most Getz fans will prefer the former, which has 37 performances (as opposed to the latter's ten), but many of the main highlights are on this disc, including a heated rendition of "Shine," "Four," "A Handful Of Stars" and "East Of The Sun." The Lou Levy Trio and (on a few numbers) trumpeter Conte Candoli work quite well with the cool-toned tenor. ---Scott Yanow, Rovi

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