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Command Performance! (1964) 1 *Skyliner* 2 *Mood Indigo* 3 *Song Of India* 4 *So Rare*
5 *Woodchopper's Ball* 6 *Sentimental Journey* 7 *Blues In The Night* 8 *You Made Me*
Love You (I Didn't Want To Do It) 9 *My Heart Belongs To Daddy* 10 *Tuxedo Junction* 11
Jersey Bounce 12 *One O'Clock Jump* Additional Tracks
13 *Caravan* 14 *A String Of Pearls* 15 *Little Brown Jug* 16 *Green Eyes* 17 *The*
Continental (You Kiss While You're Dancing) 18 *Cherokee* 19 *And The Angels Sing* 20
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In 2008 Sony BMG reissued one of Les & Larry Elgart's more substantial efforts, *Best of the Big Bands, Vol. 1*. This parade of polished and carefully executed instrumentals draws heavily upon their 1964 Columbia LP, *Command Performance!*, resulting in a smorgasbord of hits by such influential composers and bandleaders as Charlie Barnet, Count Basie, Tiny Bradshaw, Les Brown, Jimmy Dorsey, Tommy Dorsey, Duke Ellington, Ziggy Elman, Benny Goodman, Erskine Hawkins, Woody Herman, Glenn Miller, and Ray Noble. With Charles Albertine's tidy arrangements almost invariably anchored by big beefy trombones, this delightfully dated music can and will come in handy for conspicuously languid retro lounging and boffo theme parties.
---arwulf arwulf, AllMusic Review

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