

Sam Cooke - The Best Of Sam Cooke (2011)

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CD1 1. *Wonderful World* 2. *Only Sixteen* 3. *Chain Gang* 4. *You Send Me* 5. *Sad Moon* 6. *Everybody Loves To Cha Cha Cha* 7. *Summertime* 8. *(I Love You) For Sentimental Reasons* 9. *Steal Away* 10. *Venus* 11. *Ol' Man River* 12. *Win Your Love For Me* 13. *You Were Made For Me* 14. *The Little Things You Do* [play](#) 15. *Unchained Melody* 16. *They Can't Take That Away From Me* 17. *There, I've Said It Again* 18. *She's Funny That Way* 19. *The Great Pretender* 20. *Blue Moon* 21. *Cry* 22. *I Gotta Right To Sing The Blues* 23. *Hey There!* 24. *Desire Me* 25. *Let's Go Steady Again* 26. *I'll Come Running Back To You*

CD2

1. *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* 2. *I'm Just A Country Boy* 3. *They Call The Wind Mariah* 4. *Twilight On The Trail* 5. *If I Had You* 6. *Chain Gang* 7. *Grandfather's Clock* 8. *I Dream Of Jeanie With The Light Brown Hair* 9. *Pray* 10. *Long, Long Ago* 11. *You Belong To Me*
Cooke's Tour
12. *Goin' Home* 13. *Far Away Places* 14. *Under Paris Skies* 15. *South Of The Border (Down Mexico Way)* 16. *Bali Ha'i* 17. *The Coffee Song*

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18. *Arrivederci, Roma (Goodbye To Rome)* 19. *London By Night* 20. *Jamaica Farewell* 21. *Galway Bay* 22. *Sweet Leilani* 23. *Japanese Farewell Song* 24. *The House I Live In*

Sam Cooke is one of the few artists in the history of rock music whose music is timeless. Over forty years after his tragic death at the age of 33, his legend lives on. Not only was he a tremendous performer he was also an incredibly talented writer and had a profound influence on a number of other artists.

The recently remastered and expanded The Best of Sam Cooke showcases the songs that defined Cooke's all too brief career. All of his major hits are included (such as "You Send Me", "Cupid", "Twistin' the Night Away" and others) as well as equally successful but perhaps lesser known hits such as the three bonus tracks added for this reissue: "Win Your Love For Me," "You

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Were Made for Me" and "Nothing Can Change This Love."

Cooke was a remarkable songwriter having penned 13 of the 15 tracks in this collection. He co-wrote "(What a) Wonderful World" with Lou Adler and Herb Alpert. The other non-Cooke song, "(I Love You) For Sentimental Reasons" was a cover of a Nat King Cole hit.

The Best of Sam Cooke has a distinctive place in the history of rock music having never gone out of print since its original release in 1962. With the remastered edition of this hits collection, fans of Sam Cooke can be reminded of the amazing range of talents he possessed. For those who have never been introduced to Cooke, this collection is by far the best place to start in getting to know one of the true legends of rock music. --- blogcritics.org

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