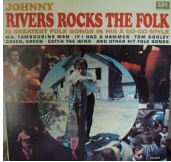


Johnny Rivers □ – Johnny Rivers Rocks The Folk (1965)

Written by bluesever

Thursday, 31 May 2018 15:04 -

Johnny Rivers □ – Johnny Rivers Rocks The Folk (1965)



A1 Tom Dooley A2 Long Time Man A3 Michael A4 Blowin' In The Wind A5 Green, Green A6 Where Have All The Flowers Gone B1 If I Had A Hammer B2 Tall Oak Tree B3 Catch The Wind B4 500 Miles B5 Mr. Tamborine Man B6 Jailer Bring Me Water
Johnny Rivers - Guitar, Primary Artist, Vocals Chuck Day - Bass Mickey Jones - Drums

When the folk-rock ship arrived, Rivers was ready to jump aboard, with assistance from producer Lou Adler (then also handling Barry McGuire and the Mamas and the Papas). "Twelve Greatest Folk Songs in His A Go-Go Style" reads the subtitle, and it's an accurate description of a set dominated by some of the most familiar folk songs of the era: "Tom Dooley," "Michael (Row the Boat Ashore)," "Blowin' in the Wind," "Green, Green," "Where Have All the Flowers Gone," "If I Had a Hammer," and "500 Miles." More contemporary material gets a nod via versions of Donovan's "Catch the Wind" and Bob Dylan's "Mr. Tambourine Man." Basically, however, it sounds like a mid-'60s Johnny Rivers album: nearly unvarying mid-tempo, easy-to-handclap-along-with rhythms, soulful female backup harmonies, and easy-rocking lead vocals. Quality folk-rock took the best of both genres to create something greater than the sum of the parts, but Rivers just laid his own (pretty derivative) commercial pop/rock style on a set of folk material. That means this LP lacks the imagination necessary to rate as interesting folk-rock, though it's adequately pleasant. A historical curiosity, it bears some similarity to the first hit albums by Trini Lopez, though with a heavier rock feel. That similarity is not unexpected given that drummer Mickey Jones had played with Lopez (and, in a more surprising twist, would soon go on to play with future Band members in the group that backed Bob Dylan on his famous 1966 world tour). ---Richie Unterberger, AllMusic Review

download (mp3 @320 kbs):

[yandex](#) [mediafire](#) [uloz.to](#) [gett](#)

Johnny Rivers – Johnny Rivers Rocks The Folk (1965)

Written by bluesever

Thursday, 31 May 2018 15:04 -

[back](#)