Smokin' Willie - Smokin' Willie (1970)



A1 Hot Blooded Mama A2 Whiter Shade Of Pale A3 Evil Ways B1 Get Ready B2 House Of The Risin' Sun B3 Vehicle Bass, Harp, Vocals – Jim Sarvis Drums, Vocals – Ron Frye Guitar, Organ, Vocals – Smokin' Willie

The songlist on 1972's "Smokin' Willie" (this reissue OR 1995) consists of five covers and opens with one original, "Hot Blooded Mama" a fuzz-riff headknocker. However, even if covers LPs aren't your thing, the versions of "Evil Ways" and "Get Ready" are in a league of their own, featuring both extended reverbed-out fuzz solos, organ breaks, and howling vocals (probably because they were so loud they couldn't hear). The slower ones, "Whiter Shade of Pale" and "House of the Risin' Sun" are off-the-wall as well. The overloaded, in-the-red gymnasium lo-fi sound only adds to it. The 1st edition Acid Archives said it had a booze-n-pills outlaw sound to match Sainte Anthony's Fyre, which is a perfect metaphor. Not for everyone I imagine, but one of my covers/bar-band local press faves. --- jrobertson8919, discogs.com

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