

P. J. PROBY

Best of the EMI Years (1961-1972)

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- This CD is released in celebration of the 70th birthday (in November 2008) of American balladeer P.J. Proby. It offers a comprehensive overview of his biggest hits and best recordings released for the EMI group between 1961 and 1972. Thus, appealing to both diehard fans and the casual consumer.
- Featured are eleven of Proby's most successful international A&B side singles (such as Top 10 UK hits "*Hold Me*", "*Somewhere*" and "*Maria*" plus Top 5 Australian hit "*Mission Bell*", #1 Swiss hit "*I'm Coming Home*", Top 20 Dutch hit "*Today I Killed A Man*" and Top 30 US hit "*Niki Hoeky*");
- Included are 2 previously unreleased songs plus 8 other tracks appearing on CD for the first time. Many of these rarities are penned by popular songwriters, such as Jackie De Shannon, Randy Newman, Gerry Goffin & Carole King, The Gibb Brothers (aka The Bee Gees), Les Reed & Barry Mason and even by Proby;
- The song "*Delilah*" was written especially for Proby by Les Reed and Barry Mason but was never released. Tom Jones went on to have a smash hit with it.
- Contained are key tracks from all eight of Proby's LPs released during this era: "*I Am P..J. Proby*" (1964), "*P..J. Proby*" (1965), "*P..J. Proby In Town*" (1965), "*Enigma*" (1966), "*Phenomenon*" (1967), "*Believe It Or Not*" (1968), "*Three Week Hero*" (1969) & "*California License*" (1970);
- The booklet features informative liner notes and many previously unseen promotional photographs from the EMI archives;
- Throughout 2008, P.J.. Proby undertakes an extensive concert tour of major UK towns and cities. This will no doubt generate masses of publicity and interest in his music.

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Track Listing:

01. Maria
02. Give Me Time
03. Just Like Him +
04. My Prayer
05. Answer Me
06. Hold Me
07. Try To Forget Her
08. Somewhere
09. Mission Bell *
10. Mama Told Me Not To Come
11. I'm Coming Home
12. I Don't Want To Hear It Anymore +
13. Quando Tornera +
14. Cuttin' In
15. Today I Killed A Man
16. I Can't Make It Alone (Double Vocal Harmony / E.P. Version) +
17. What's On Your Mind +
18. If I Loved You
19. Clown Shoes (1972 Single Version) +
20. And The Sun Will Shine +
21. Niki Hoeky
22. Daddy's Home
23. We'll Meet Again +

24. Delilah (*Previously Unreleased*)
25. I'm Ahead If I Can Quit While I'm Behind (*Previously Unreleased*)

+ Debut on CD / * First Stereo Release on CD