Jimmy Dawkins – Tribute To Orange (1971)



- 1. All for Business
- 2. You Got to Keep on Trying
- 3. Ain't Never Had Nothing
- 4. Born in Poverty \$0.99
- 5. Marcelle Morgantini's Cassoulet
- 6. Your Love
- 7. Tribute to Orange
- 8. Mississippi Bound
- 9. Life Is a Mean Mistreater
- 10. Mean Atlantic Ocean
- 11. It Serves You Right to Suffer
- 12. Marcelle Jacques et Luc
- 13. Ode to Billie Joe

Jimmy Dawkins (vocals, guitar); Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, Otis Rush (guitar); Cousin Joe (piano); Jerome VanJones (organ); Robert Plunkett, Bob Plunkett, Ted Harvey (drums).

All songs written by Jimmy Dawkins except "Ode To Billy Joe" (Bobbie Gentry).

Jimmy Dawkins' infrequent albums are always a joy, and that was the case when he made his first sojourn to Europe in 1970 and recorded LPs for Black & Blue, Vogue, and Excello in France and England. This disc features eight numbers pairing Dawkins and the great Gatemouth Brown and another four matching him with equally sensational Otis Rush. The Brown/Dawkins tandem duel, match, and challenge each other as Dawkins' sometimes enigmatic, sometimes bemused and often compelling vocals set the stage for their instrumental

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encounters. The same holds true on the Rush/Dawkins cuts. While Rush provides searing licks and twisting solos, Dawkins' singing sets the tone with its urgent inflections and weary, resigned quality. --Ron Wynn, allmusic.com

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