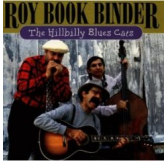


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1. *She Did You A Favor* 2. *Babe, I Want You To Know* 3. *Anywhere You Go* 4. *Tired Of Bein' Mistreated* 5. *Over To My House* 6. *One Meatball* 7. *T-man Blues #2* 8. *Talks All Over Town* 9. *Statesboro Blues* 10. *Won't You Be Kind* 11. *I Got Mine* 12. *Mississippi John*
Musicians: Roy Book Binder - guitar, vocals Billy Ochoa - bass Rock Bottom - harmonica

A solid, if a bit uninspired, effort, The Hillbilly Blues Cats teams Book Binder with harp player Rock Bottom and bassist Billy Ochoa. Together the trio make their way through oft-forgotten blues chestnuts such as "One Meatball" and "Tired of Bein' Mistreated," as well as the occasional Binder composition thrown in for good measure. A talented guitarist who studied under Rev. Gary Davis and Arthur "Big Boy" Crudup, Binder's music on this album suffers the fate of many modern day blues traditionalists -- that is, allowing the audience to ask the question "Why not just listen to the original?" Recording a song like "Statesboro Blues," which everyone from the Allman Brothers to Taj Mahal have done better, only furthers the point. Though he is a fine reproducer of old-time country blues, on Hillbilly Blues Cats Binder has yet to find the key to making his music sound like more than just a reproduction. ---Steve Kurutz, Rovi

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