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1 *Daisy* 3:22 2 *Rising Sun* 2:40 3 *Careless Love* 3:13 4 *Cholly Blues* 5:04 5 *Just A Dream* 4:21 6 *Pawn Shop Blues* 3:01 7 *Hangman's Blues* 4:33 8 *Living With The Blues* 2:52 9 *'Fore Day Creep* 4:10 10 *Me And Sonny* 2:47 11 *Raise A Ruckus Tonight* 2:49 12 *Betty And Dupree* 3:59
Brownie McGhee - Guitar, Vocals Wilbert Ellis - Piano Coyall McMahan - Maracas, Vocals Gene Moore - Drums Sonny Terry & Brownie McGhee - Harmonica, Vocals

Folkways Years (1945-1959) is a wonderful compilation of Brownie McGhee's Folkways recordings. During this time, McGhee became a staple on the blues-folk revival circuit, and accordingly these recordings find the Piedmont bluesman playing in a folk style, which he excelled at. Many of the most powerful tracks are straight from the rural Piedmont tradition, but the folkier material shows what a rich musician he was. It's an excellent sampler, one that demonstrates the depth and breadth of his Folkways recordings. ---Thom Owens, AllMusic Review

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