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1 *Double Dealing* 2 *Just Got To Know* 3 *Stay Away From That Monkey* 4 *Yesterday Is Gone* 5 *Would Man Be Satisfied* 6 *Like My Mama* 7 *I Finally Got You* 8 *You're the One* 9 *Love Money Can't Buy* 10 *Think* 11 *I Got Somebody* 12 *Girl Stealer* Jimmy McCracklin – vocals Charles Hodges – organ, piano Mabon "Teenie" Hodges - guitar Leroy Hodges – bass Howard Grimes – drums The Memphis Horns Carolyn Crawford, Donna Rhodes, Sandra Rhodes, Jessica Smith, Venetta Fields – vocals Charles Chalmers – string arrangements, vocals

Given that this was co-produced by Al Jackson (of Booker T. & the MG's) and Willie Mitchell (of Hi Records), and adds embellishment by the Memphis Horns, it's unsurprising that this is very much a soul-blues record. It's a workmanlike effort with an early-'70s Stax period feel, including remakes of two of his past R&B singles, "Think" and "Just Got to Know." The CD reissue adds a couple of previously unreleased bonus tracks. ---Richie Unterberger, allmusic.com

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