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- 01 *How 'Ya Gonna Keep 'Em Down on the Farm* 4:01
- 02 *Autumn Leaves* 3:03
- 03 *I Love Paris* 3:26
- 04 *April in Paris* 2:26
- 05 *A Man and a Woman* 3:33
- 06 *C'est Magnifique* 3:03
- 07 *Petite Fleur* 2:56
- 08 *I Wish You Love* 2:33
- 09 *Mimi* 3:50
- 10 *C'Est Si Bon* 3:03
- 11 *Under Paris Skies* 4:08
- 12 *I Will Wait for You* 5:49

Benny Goodman - clarinet
Joe Newman - trumpet
Urbie Green - trombone
Attila Zoller - guitar
Bernie Leighton - piano
George Duvivier - bass
Joe Marshall - drums

Benny Goodman's career was becoming rather aimless by 1967. In fact, shortly after recording this LP, the King of Swing would be off of records for nearly two years. The music has its moments (including a Dixielandish version of "How 'Ya Gonna Keep 'Em Down On the Farm") and some short spots for trumpeter Joe Newman and trombonist Urbie Green, but most of the selections (which are all associated with Paris) are rather forgettable and some are merely throwaways. Goodman needed a fresh repertoire, but there was little inspiring for him about such songs as "A Man and a Woman," "I Wish You Love," "Mimi" and "Under Paris Skies." For

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