

James Cotton - Take Me Back (1988)

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01 - *My Babe* (Walter Jacobs) - 2:55 02 - *Well, I Done Got Over It* (Eddie Jones) - 2:47 03 - *Clouds in My Heart* (Traditional) - 4:00 04 - *Take Me Back* (Walter Jacobs) - 3:00 05 - *Honest I Do* (Jimmy Reed) - 4:16 06 - *Take Out Some Insurance* (Jesse Stone) - 4:22 07 - *Killing Floor* (Lester Burnett) - 3:10 08 - *Dust My Broom* (Robert Johnson) - 4:24 09 - *Hungry Country Girl* (Otis Spann) - 5:56 James Cotton – vocal, harmonica Sam Lawhom – guitar Pinetop Perkins – piano Bob Anderson – bass Sam Lay – drums John – Primer – guitar

This mid-1980s session tries lamely to evoke the plainspoken Chicago sound characteristic of Cotton's very first band twenty years earlier. Despite its gruff warmth, Cotton's voice is barely satisfactory in simple arrangements of material from Guitar Slim, Jimmy Reed, Little Walter, and Howlin' Wolf. His harp is seldom heard. Better his small ensemble weren't at all. -- -Frank John Hadley 1993

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