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## Jimmy McCracklin - High On The Blues (1971)



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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