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- 1. Let's Go Out Tonight
- 2. Peace Lovin' Man
- 3. Stella Mae
- 4. I Put My Trust In You
- 5. I'm In The Mood
- 6. You Know ,I Know
- 7. I'll Never Trust Your Love Again
- 8. One Bourbon, One Scotch, One Beer
- 9. The Waterfront
- John Lee Hooker (vocals, guitar); Eddie "Guitar" Burns (guitar).

Listeners wanting to find a comprehensive collection of Hooker's work may not find it here, but they certainly won't be disappointed once the needle hits the grooves on this solid 1966 Chess release by the blues master. Featuring nine Hooker originals, the set is a fetching mix of raucously fun up-tempo cuts ("Let's Go Out Tonight") and starkly slow classics ("Stella Mae"). And in between, one can sample classics like "I'm in the Mood" and the incredible ballad closer, "The Waterfront." ---Stephen Cook, Rovi

Some John Lee Hooker albums are hard on the ears. That is of course no fault of Mr. Hooker's but simply the recording quality. These are songs that Hooker recorded for the Chess label which sound great. Whether you've never heard John Lee Hooker or are a big fan, you really need this album. The reason is easily summed up in one word: singing. The man has such a mean howl. If Mr. Hooker's voice just dosen't grab you and squeeze your guts than it's possible

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your heartless. I'm not saying it's a fact but it would probably be a good indicator. ---A. Woodley "A Stooge"

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