Annie Ross - Skylark (1996)



1. Gypsy in My Soul 2. I Love Paris 3. I Didn't Know About You 4. The Lady's In Love With You 5. 'Tain't What You Do (It's the Way That You Do It) 6. Don't Let the Sun Catch You Crying 7. Between The Devil And The Deep Blue Sea 8. Don't Worry 'Bout Me 9. I've Told Ev'Ry Little Star 10. Manhattan 11. Please Don't Talk About Me When I'm Gone See 12. Skylark Annie Ross - vocals Bob Burns - clarinet Tony Crombie - piano Roy Plummer - guitar Lennie Bush – bass

This little-known set (reissued on CD) from 1956 features singer Annie Ross four years after she originally recorded "Twisted" but a year before the formation of Lambert, Hendricks & Ross. Based in London at the time, Ross avoids scatting and vocalese in favor of conventional swinging and jazz-oriented interpretations of standards. Backed tastefully by pianist Tony Crombie, clarinetist Bob Burns, guitarist Roy Plummer and bassist Lennie Rush, Annie Ross shows that she could have been a successful solo artist if she had not met up with Dave Lambert and Jon Hendricks; at times she almost sounds like Susannah McCorkle. ---Scott Yanow, Rovi

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