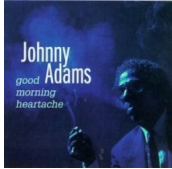


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1. *You Don't Know What Love Is* 5:21 2. *I Just Found Out About Love* 2:21 [play](#) 3. *Don't Go To Strangers* 5:42 4. *The Jealous Kind* 4:16 5. *I Hadn't Anyone 'Til You* 6:03 6. *Come Rain Or Come Shine* 5:29 7. *Teach Me Tonight* 2:53

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8. *Good Morning Heartache* 5:14 9. *Back To Normal* 4:52 10. *But Not For Me* 4:38

Personnel: Johnny Adams (vocals); Walter "Wolfman" Washington (guitar); Joe Saulsbury, Jr. (alto saxophone); Tony Dagradi, Ralph Johnson (tenor saxophone); Edward "Kidd" Jordan (baritone saxophone); Clyde Kerr, Jr. (trumpet, flugelhorn); Jamil Sharif (trumpet); Maynard Chatters (trombone); David Torkanowsky (piano, keyboards); James Singleton (bass); Johnny Vidacovich (drums).

This is billed as New Orleans legend Adams' first jazz album, which isn't 100% accurate if you count the fourth track, "The Jealous Kind." A great '60s Memphis soul ballad by first generation rock songwriter Bobby Charles, it's stylistically very similar to any number of things Adams has recorded over the years, and by no stretch of the imagination jazz. The rest of the album, however, lives up to the claim, with Adams fronting both a small group and a big band and sounding great in both settings, whether delivering "You Don't Know About Love" with a heartbreaking, hushed intensity, or swinging like mad through Sammy Cahn's "Teach Me Tonight."

Adams could sing the phone book and make it sound sweet, so his personalized rendition of the title track and several more jazz standards on this collection shouldn't come as too much of a surprise. Nevertheless, it's a long way from "Reconsider Me," and perhaps a bit too jazzy for some R&B fans.

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