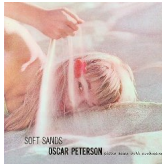


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01. *Soft Sands* 02:21
02. *On the Outside Looking in* 02:34
03. *It Happens Every Spring* 02:44
04. *Chanel* 02:41
05. *You Took Advantage of Me* 02:01
06. *Why Oh Why* 03:05
07. *Song to the Stars* 02:44
08. *Echoes* 02:40
09. *I Ve Never Left Your Arms* 02:53
10. *I Cant Get Started* 02:58
11. *Dream O Na Summer Night* 02:57
12. *Susquehanna* 02:44
13. *I Ve Grown Accustomed to Her Face* 06:38
14. *Get Me to the Church on Time* 06:45
15. *Show Me* 06:22
16. *I Could Have Danced All Night* 05:21
17. *On the Street Where You Live* 05:34
18. *Wouldnt it Be Lovely* 05:35
19. *The Rain in Spain* 03:50
20. *The Golden Striker* 06:24

Tracks #1-12 from "Soft Sands" (Verve MG VS-2079). Tracks #13-19 from "Oscar Peterson Plays 'My Fair Lady'" (Verve MG V-2119). Personnel [on 1-12]: Oscar Peterson (p, vcl on #2,6,10 & 12) Herb Ellis (g) Ray Brown (b) Stan Levey (d). Buddy Bregman (arr, cond) with unidentified orchestra. Recorded in Los Angeles, on March 28 & July 31, 1957. Personnel [on 13-19]: Oscar Peterson (p) Ray Brown (b) Gene Gammage (d). Recorded at Universal Recorders, Chicago, on November 20 & 21, 1958. The bonus track features Oscar Peterson (p) Ray Brown (b) Ed Thigpen (d). Recorded at the Playboy Jazz Festival, in Chicago, on August 8, 1957.

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