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01. Right To Quit You 02. No Pain 03. Blues And Soul 04. Lonely Guitar Man 05. Fool In Heah 06. Gitar Jive 07. Know Your Lover 08. Driftin' Sand 09. Down With The Blues 10. Who Done It Jimmy Dawkins (vocals, guitar) Wayne Goins (guitar) Ted Dortch (saxophone) Ernie Baker (trumpet) Steve McRay (keyboards) Ray Scott, Bryan Cole (drums)

Blues And Pain album by Jimmy Dawkins was released Jun 26, 2000 on the Wild Dog Blues label. Dawkins is back on the right track now, making solid, if less than earthshaking recordings, that at least hint at why he once was billed "Fast Fingers." ---Bill Dahl, Rovi

The winter of 1994 in Chicago was particularly brutal. The kind of freezing, miserable winter that can numb your soul and give you the blues. Blues and pain. The influence of these conditions are behind this new Jimmy Dawkins release. Jimmy stuffed his amp in the trunk of his Cadillac, grabbed his big guitar and his drummer Ray Scott, and drove straight on through from Chicago to Atlanta. The next two days were spent holed up in KALA studios, where Jimmy and the band ripped into the piercing, tormented set of blues contained on this disc. The only luxury was that we had 16 ounce beers instead of the regular kind. Producer Bryan Cole and engineer Edd Miller silently smiled at each other as the tape ran and the shredding guitar lines sprang forth from Jimmy's trademark Gibson. The reigning king of Chicago's west side expelled all the feelings that had built up after extensive international road travel. Blues and Pain is a volcanic eruption of soul, made all the more intense by turning up the volume. Crank it ! --Bad Luck Doug, WRFG Atlanta

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