BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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Artist Ritchie Valens

Title Rocks

Label Bear Family Productions

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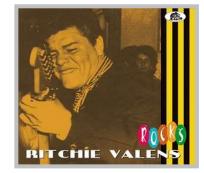
Genre Rock 'n' Roll

No. of tracks 36 73:28 mns

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INFO:

- February 3 commemorates the anniversary of the death of Ritchie Valens.
- In retrospect, the young rocker had only eight months to record his entire work.
- We pay tribute to this great musician by including him in our 'Rocks!' CD-series.
- Included are his three hit records as well as a plethora of other great gems.
- Newly mastered; extensive liner notes by expert writer, Bill Dahl.

Eight months is a tremendously slim timespan to build a legacy. Yet that's all the time Ritchie Valens had to create his classic recordings, which remain revered around the world.

Valens made his first sides for Del-Fi label producer Bob Keane in May of 1958, and on February 3, 1959, he was killed in the tragic plane crash that also took the lives of Buddy Holly and The Big Bopper. In that all-too-brief period, Ritchie scored three indelible hits—his debut single *Come On, Let's Go* and a blockbuster double-sided single pairing *Donna* and *La Bamba*. The teenager certainly knew how to rock, and his Bear Family disc does precisely that as Valens storms through his aforementioned hits and a plethora of other spicy gems: *Hurry Up, Ooh! My Head, Rockin' All Night, Dooby Dooby Wah*, various alternate takes, and plenty more.

As a special bonus, we've included both sides of Donna Ludwig's rare tribute single to her departed boyfriend, touchingly closing the CD.

TRACK LISTING:

CD:

La Bamba • Ooh! My Head • Hurry Up • Let's Rock And Roll • Fast Freight • Framed • Come On Let's Go • Little Girl • Bony Moronie • Big Baby Blues • Cry, Cry, Cry (Bob Keane Home Recording #1) • Cry, Cry, Cry (Bob Keane Home Recording #2) • Cry, Cry, Cry (with the Claves) • Cry, Cry, Cry • Bluebirds Over The Mountain • Rockin' All Night • Dooby Dooby Wah (Bob Keane Home Recording) • Dooby Dooby Wah • Dooby Dooby Wah (take 7 - outtake) • From Beyond • Hi-Tone • The Paddi-Wack Song • Rock Lil' Darlin' • Malaguena • That's My Little Suzie (Demo, Bob Keane Home Recording) • That's My Little Suzie • That's My Little Suzie (Gold Star Studio outtake) • Rhythm Song • In A Turkish Town • Ritchie Valens Commercial (Donna) • Donna • Stay Beside Me • We Belong Together • Newcast: Plane Crash Report, Feb. 3, 1959 • **Donna Ludwig:** Lost Without You • Now That You're Gone

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