



DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS ORCHESTRA 1928

I	BLACK BEAUTY (FIREWATER) (Ellington) (E-27094)	03-21-28	3:05	¢	14
E	BLACK BEAUTY (Ellington) (43502-2)	03-26-28	2:52		15
	JUBILEE STOMP (Ellington) (43503-2)	03-26-28	2:34		16
-	GOT EVERYTHING BUT YOU (Palmer-Razaf) (43504-2)	03-26-28	2:56		17
	YELLOW DOG BLUES (Handy) (E-27771-C)	06-05-28	2:47		18
	TISHOMINGO BLUES (Williams) (E-27772-A)	06-05-28	2:52		19
	DIGA DIGA DOO (Fields-McHugh) (400859-B)	07-10-28	2:51		20
	DOIN' THE NEW LOW-DOWN (Fields-McHugh) (400860-C)	07-10-28	3:04		21
	BLACK BEAUTY (Ellington) (401172-B)	10-01-28	3:00		2.7
	SWAMPY RIVER (Ellington) (401173-B)	10-01-28	2:48	*	23
	THE MOOCHE (Ellington) (401175-A)	10-01-28	3:12		2.4
	MOVE OVER (Ellington) (401176-B)	10-01-28	3:02	6	
	HOT AND BOTHERED (Ellington) (401177-A)	10-01-28	3:15		

14	THE MOOCHE (Ellington) (108446-1)	10-?-28	2:49
15	HOT AND BOTHERED (Ellington) (108447-2)	10-?-28	2:44
16	MOVE OVER (Ellington) (108448-1)	10-?-28	2:53
17	THE MOOCHE (Ellington) (E-28359-A)	10-17-28	3:08
18	LOUISIANA (Razaf-Schafer-Johnson) (E-28360-A)	10-17-28	2:58
19	AWFUL SAD (Ellington) (E-28441-A)	10-20-28	3:13
20	THE MOOCHE (Ellington) (47799-2)	10-30-28	3:31
21	SANTA CLAUS BRING MY MAN BACK (Grainger) (48100-1)	10-30-28	2:53
22	I DONE CAUGHT YOU BLUES (Grainger) (48101-2)	10-30-28	3:00
23	I CAN'T GIVE YOU ANYTHING BUT LOVE (Fields-McHugh) (48102-4)	10-30-28	3:03
24	NO, PAPA, NO (Instr.) (Spivey) (48103-1)	10-30-28	3:20

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In 1928 alone Duke Ellington recorded more than 50 sides under his own name with even more to follow during the next two years. It is fairly obvious that not all of these tracks are very memorable although not more than a few really turned out rather badly. One or two of the latter can be heard on this CD, alongside some truly outstanding examples of Duke Ellington's music.

Edward Kennechy "Duke" Ellington was born in Washington, D.C., on April 29, 1899. While still at high school, he began playing in his native city. Soon after he organized his first little group, "The Duke's Serenaders", including Otto Hardwicke and Arthur Whetsol that were both to remain with him for many years. Duke Ellington first came to New York in 1923 where he played with "The Washingtonians", then still led by Elmer Snowden. One year later the aspiring Duke Ellington took over the group and worked with it successfully at the "Kentudy Club" until 1927. The growing band's most successful engagement at the "Cotton Club" lasted until 1931, when the fledgling orchestra of Cal Calloway took over their job. Duke Ellington's first tour to England, Scotland and France in 1933 proved an immense personnel and musical triumph. During the thirties the Duke and his Orchestra travelled extensively in the United States and their second visit to Europe half a year before the outbreak of the war enabled many of their admirers to hear the band in person. Many agree that by 1940 the orchestra had reached its artistic peak. Their first concert at Carnegie Hall in January 1943 was followed by innumerable appearances at the world's most famous theatres. Duke Ellington was fortunately able to continue his regular tours around the globe until a short time before his death on May 24, 1974 — one month after his celebrated 75th birthdox.

This third volume of Duke Ellington's complete recordings in chronological order includes all sessions between March 1928 and October of the same year. The opening "Black Beauty" is the remaining track from a date that was included on our previous volume, Classics 542. Only five days later the same tune was cut again for another record company. "Yellow Dog Blues" is particularly interesting since it includes Johnny Hodges' first solo with Duke Ellington – on soprano sax! "Diga Diga Doo" and "Doin" The New Low Down" were written by Dorothy Fields and Jimmy McHugh for the how "Blackbirds of 1928" which opened on May 9, 1928 in New York. Its amazing success made many of the songs so popular that Duke Ellington's orchestra recorded them soon after. The best known item from "Blackbirds of 1928" is undoubtedly "I Can't Give You Anything But Love" which follows at the end of this disc. One of the perennial Ellington classics is "The Mooche": It was first recorded on October 1, 1928 and no less than three other versions were cut the same month! Two vocals by Ozie Ware close this mixed programme. To be continued...

Anatol Schenker, September 1990.

DISCOGRAPHY DUKE ELLINGTON 1928

THE WASHINGTONIANS: Duke Ellington-p-a dir. Arthur Whetsol-Louis Metcalf-t/Joe "Tricky Sam" Nantontb/Otto Hardwick-ss-as-bar-bsx/Harry Carney-cl-as-bar/Barney Bigard-cl-ts/Fred Guy-bi/Wellman Braudsb/Sonny Greer-d. New York, March 21, 1928.

Black Beauty (Firewater) Brunswick 4009

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS ORCHESTRA: As last above, but Bubber Miley-t replaces Metcalf. New York, March 26, 1928. 43502-2 Black Beauty Victor 21580

Victor 21580 43503-2 Jubilee Stomp 43504-2 Victor 21703 Got Everything But You

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS ORCHESTRA: Louis Metcalf-t replaces Whetsol: Johnny Hodges-cl-ss-as replaces

Hardwick. New York, June 5, 1928.

F-27771-C Yellow Dog Blues Brunswick 3987 Tishomingo Blues Brunswick 3987 E-27772-A

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS ORCHESTRA: Arthur Whetsol-t replaces Metclaf: Irving Mills-v. New York, July 10, 1928. 400859-B

Diga Diga Doo - vIM Okeh 8602 400860-C Doin' The New Low-Down - vIM Okeh 8602

Piano solos.

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New York, October 1, 1928.

401172-B Black Beauty Okeh 8636 401173-B Swampy River Okeh 8636

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS ORCHESTRA: Duke Ellington-p-a dir. Bubber Milev-Arthur Whetsol-t/loe "Tricky

Sam" Nanton-tb/Johnny Hodges-cl-ss-as/Harry Carney-cl-as-bar/Barney Bigard-cl-ts/Fred Guy-bi/Lonnie Johnson-g/Wellman Braud-sb/Sonny Greer-d/Baby Cox-v. New York, October 1, 1928. 401175-A Okeh 8623

The Mooche - vBC 401176-B Move Over Okeh 8638 401177-A Hot And Bothered - vBC Okeh 8623

NOTE: Okeh 8638 as LONNIE JOHNSON'S HARLEM FOOTWARMERS.

THE WHOOPEE MAKERS: As last above, without Johnson and Baby Cox.

New York, October, 1928 108446-1 The Mooche Cameo 9032 108447-7 Hot And Bothered Cameo 9023 108448-1

Move Over Cameo 9025 DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS COTTON CLUB ORCHESTRA: As last session.

New York, October 17, 1928. E-28359-A The Mooche Brunswick 4122 F-28360-A Louisiana Brunswick 4110

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS COTTON CLUB ORCHESTRA: Freddy Jenkins-t/Harry White-tb added. New York, October 20, 1928. F-28441-A Awful Sad Brunswick 4110

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS COTTON CLUB ORCHESTRA: Miley and White omitted; Braud plays bb; Baby Cox-Irving Mills (as Goody Goodwin)-v.

New York, October 30, 1928. 47799-2 The Mooche Victor V-38034 OZIE WARE SOPRANO WITH "HOT FIVE": Vocal, acc. by Arthur Whetsol-t/Barney Bigard-cl/Duke Ellington-

p/Billy Taylor-bb/Sonny Greer-d. New York, October 30, 1928. 48100-1 Santa Claus, Bring My Man Back To Me Victor 21777

48101-2 I Done Caught You Blues Victor 21777

DUKE ELLINGTON AND HIS COTTON CLUB ORCHESTRA: As last session. New York, October 30, 1928.

Victor V-38008 I Can't Give You Anything But Love - vBC-IM No. Papa. No Victor 26310

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