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ABDULLAH IBRAHIM ODE TO DUKE ELLINGTON

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at Duke's Place



Abdullah Ibrahim (Dollar Brand) come to the attention of Duke Ellington in the United States and it was Ellington who gave him the oppurtunity to make his first American recordings.

He repays the dept on this album, stringing together a number of favourite compositions - In A Sentimental Mood, Single Petal Of A Rose both make frequent reappearances throughout his career - with a couple of spirituals and imaginative variations, which include Caravan and the astonishingly titled

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And So I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart At Duke's Place. Ellington had been his greatest single influence, though there are perhaps stronger traces of black church music, African folk themes and hints of Thelonious Monk and the 1960s free movement in his solo performances.

ABDULLAH IBRAHIM / DOLLAR BRAND solo piano

- 1 IMPRESSIONS ON A CARAVAN 5:08
 (DOLLAR BRAND / DUKE ELLINGTON)
- 2 SOLITUDE 4:20
- 3 ODE TO DUKE 5:08
- 4 IN A SENTIMENTAL MOOD 4:23
- 5 WHAT REALLY HAPPENED IN THE CORNFIELDS IS THAT THE BIRDS MADE MUSIC ALL THE DAY AND SO I LET A SONG GO OUT OF MY HEART AT DUKE'S PLACE 6:33
- 6 TWO SPIRITUALS 6:30
 a) FROM AFRICA: SADUVA
 (TRAD. DOLLAR BRAND)
 b) FROM AMERICA: COME SUNDAY
- 7 ROSE GOT IT BAD IN HARLEM 5:59
 a)A SINGLE PETAL OF A ROSE
 b)I GOT IT BAD
 c)DROP ME OFF IN HARLEM 5:59



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