



Pure Pleasure SD 1358
Leo Wright: Blues Shout

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Manufacturer: Pure Pleasure
Original label: Atlantic

Genre: Jazz
Leo Wright's Atlantic debut, "Blues Shout", effectively summarizes his career as a sideman, embracing the expressionist sensibilities of longtime boss Dizzy Gillespie as well as the Latin inspirations of longtime bandmate Lalo Schiffrin to create a fiercely modern and uncommonly impassioned sound all its own. Joined by pianist Junior Mance, trumpeter Richard Williams, bassist Art Davis, and drummer Charlie Persip, Wright divides his attention between his signature alto sax and flute, delivering a series of thoughtful and lyrical solos that positively radiate energy. The blues referenced in the title are more a feeling than a sound, underscoring the emotional intensity that bristles below the surface of every note.

Jason Ankeny /AMG

Recording: August 1960 by Tom Dowd & Phil Iehle

Production: Nesuhi Ertegün "Blues Shout" - Leo Wright (as); Richard Williams (tp); Junior Mance (p); Art Davis (b); Charlie Persip (dr)