

Vinyl Lp: Herbie Hancock - Takin' off

Audiophile pressing:

- 180 gr. virgin vinyl
- Direct from analogue master-tape
- Limited edition
- Original cover-art
- Made in USA

1. Watermelon Man
2. Three Bags Full
3. Empty Pockets
4. The Maze
5. Driftin'
6. Alone and I



retail price
29,90 €

At age 21, Herbie Hancock was already a mature and well-travelled musician. He played Mozart with the Chicago Symphony at age 11 and by age 20 with Donald Byrd. "Takin' off", his Blue Note debut, is a sophisticated showcase of Hancock's ability as a group leader. When he is not striking off the funky, swinging solos, the backing chords are restrained and unassuming. He is controlling the session and confident enough to let his soloists, Freddie Hubbard on the trumpet and Dexter Gordon on the tenor sax, take the spotlight. This is a great first album that foreshadows the greatness that would follow on this blue Note masterworks, "Empyrean Isles" and "Maiden Voyage".