

Barking Pumpkin Discography

Barking Pumpkin was Frank Zappa's label in the 1980s until his death in 1993. Originally distributed by CBS, its distribution switched to Capitol in 1984.

Early releases (part of CBS numbering system):

PW2 37336 – Tinsel Town Rebellion – Frank Zappa [5/81] 2-LP set. Fine Girl/Easy Meat/For the Young Sophisticate//Love of My Life/I Ain't Got No Heart/Panty Rap/Tell Me You Love Me//Dance Contest/The Blue Light/Tinsel Town Rebellion/Pick Me, I'm Clean//Bamboozled by Love/Brown Shoes Don't Make It/Peaches III

PW2 37537 – You Are What You Is – Frank Zappa [9/81] 2-LP set.

FW 38066 – Ship Arriving Too Late to Save a Drowning Witch – Frank Zappa [5/82] No Not Now/Valley Girl/I Come from Nowhere//Drowning Witch/Envelopes/Teen-Age Prostitute

W3X 38289 – Shut Up 'n Play Yer Guitar – Frank Zappa [1982] 3-LP set. Originally sold as three separate volumes by mail order. (BPR 1111, 1112 and 1113).

FW 38403 – The Man from Utopia – Frank Zappa [3/83] Cocaine Decisions/The Dangerous Kitchen/Tink Walks Amok/The Radio is Broken/Moggio//The Man from Utopia Meets Mary Lou/Stick Together/SEX/The Jazz Discharge Party Hats/We Are Not Alone

FW 38820 – London Symphony Orchestra Vol. I – Frank Zappa [6/83] Sad Jane/Pedro's Dowry/Envelopes//Mo & Herb's Vacation: First Movement/Mo & Herb's Vacation: Second Movement/Mo & Herb's Vacation: Third Movement

74200 Series (distributed by Capitol):

SVBO-74200 – Them or Us – Frank Zappa [1984] 2-LP set. The Closer You Are/In France/Ya Hozna/Sharleena//Sinister Footwear II/Truck Driver Divorce//Steve's Spanking/Baby, Take Your Teeth Out/Marque-Son's Chicken/Planet of My Dreams//Be in My Video/Them or Us/Frogs with Dirty Little Lips/Whipping Post

SKCO-74201 – Thing-Fish – Frank Zappa [1984] 3-LP set. Prologue/The Mammy Nuns/Harry & Rhonda/Galoot Up Date//The "Torchum" Never Stops//That Evil Prince/You Are What You Is//Mudd Club/The Meek Shall Inherit Nothing/Cloons on Velvet/Harry-as-a-Boy/He's So Gay//The Massive Improv'lence/Artificial Rhonda/The Crab Grass Baby/The White Boy Troubles//No Not Now/Briefcase Boogie/Brown Moses//Wistful with a Fist-Full/Drop Dead/Won Ton On

ST-74202 – Francesco Zappa – Frank Zappa [1984] Music by the 18th century composer Francesco Zappa (no relation to Frank). Opus I – No.1 1st Movement (Andante)/2nd Movement (Allegro Con Brio)/No. 2 1st Movement (Andantino)/2nd Movement (Minuetto Grazioso)/No. 3 1st Movement (Andantino)/2nd Movement (Presto)/ No. 4 1st Movement (Andante)/2nd Movement (Allegro)//2nd Movement (Minuetto Grazioso)/No. 6 1st Movement (Largo)/2nd Movement (Minuet)/Opus IV - No.1 1st Movement (Andantino)/ 2nd Movement (Allegro Assai)/No. 2 2nd Movement (Allegro Assai)/No. 3 1st Movement (Andante)/2nd Movement (Tempo di Minuetto)/No.4 1st Movement (Minuetto)

ST-74203 – Frank Zappa Meets the Mothers of Prevention – Frank Zappa [1985] We're Turning Again/Alien Orifice/Yo Cats/What's New in Baltimore?//Little Beige Sambo/Porn Wars/Bondage

ST-74204 – Havin' a Bad Day – Dweezil Zappa [1986]

ST-74205 – Jazz from Hell – Frank Zappa [1987] Night School/The Beltway Bandits/While You Were Art II/Jazz from Hell//G-Spot Tornado/Damp Ankles/St. Etienne/Massaggio Galore

SWCL-74206 – Joe's Garage: All 3 Records – Frank Zappa [1987] 3-LP set. Reissue of Zappa Records SRZ 1-1603 [Vol. I, 1979] and SRZ 2-1502 [Vols. II and III, 1979].

SJ-74207 – London Symphony Orchestra Vol. II – Frank Zappa [1987] Bogus Pomp//Bob in Dacron/Strictly Genteel

D4-74208 – Freak Out! – Mothers of Invention [1988] Reissue of Verve V6-5005-2 [1966]. Issued on cassette only. A 2-LP test pressing made in 1990 is known to exist, but records never made it past that point.

D4-74209 – Cruising with Ruben and the Jets – Mothers of Invention [1988] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of Verve V6-5066-X [1968].

D4-74210 – Uncle Meat – Mothers of Invention [1988] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of Reprise MS 2024 [1969].

D4-74211 – Hot Rats – Frank Zappa [1988] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of Bizarre/Reprise RS 6356 [1969].

D1-74212 – Guitar – Frank Zappa [1988] 2-LP set. Sexual Harassment in the Workplace/Republicans/Do Not Pass Go/That's Not Really Reggae/When No One Was No One//Once Again, Without the Net/Outside Now (original solo)/Jim and Tammy's Upper Room/Were We Ever Really Safe in San Antonio?/That Ol' G Minor Thing Again//Move It or Park It/Sunrise Redeemer/But Who Was Fulcanelli?/For Duane/GOA//Winos Do Not March/Systems of Edges/Things That Look Like Meat/Watermelon in Easter Hay

D1-74213 – You Can't Do That on Stage Anymore Sampler – Frank Zappa [1988] 2-LP set. Plastic People/The Torture Never Stops//Montana (Whipping-Floss)/The Evil Prince/You Call That Music?//Sharleena/Nanook Rubs It//The Florida Airport Tape/Once Upon a Time/King Kong/Dickie's Such an Asshole/Cosmic Debris

D4-74214 – Absolutely Free – Mothers of Invention [1988] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of Verve V6-5013 [1967].

D4-74215 – Waka/Jawaka – Frank Zappa [1988] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of Bizarre/Reprise MS 2094 [1972].

D4-74216 – One Size Fits All – Frank Zappa & Mothers of Invention [1988] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of DiscReet DS 2216 [1975].

D1-74217 – You Can't Do That on Stage Anymore, Vol. 2 – Frank Zappa [1988] 3-LP set.

D1-74218 – Broadway the Hard Way – Frank Zappa [1988] Elvis Has Just Left the Building/Planet of the Baritone Women/Any Kind of Pain/Jesus Thinks You're a Jerk//Dickie's Such an Asshole/When the Lie's So Big/Rhymin' Man/Promiscuous/The Untouchables

D2-74219 – Baby Snakes – Frank Zappa [1988] Reissue on CD of BPR 1115.

D4-74220 – Bongo Fury – Frank Zappa/Captain Beefheart/The Mothers [1989] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of DiscReet DS 2234 [1975].

D4-74221 – Over-Nite Sensation – Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention [1989] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of DiscReet DS 2149 [1973].

D4-74222 – Apostrophe (') – Frank Zappa [1989] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of DiscReet DS 2175 [1974].

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D4-74225 – Sheik Yerbouti – Frank Zappa [1990] Issued on cassette only. Reissue of Zappa Records SRZ 2-1501 [1979], with several selections re-edited.

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D4-74231 – You Can't Do That on Stage Anymore, Vol. 4 – Frank Zappa [1991] Issued on cassette only.

D2-74232 – Confessions – Dweezil Zappa [1991]

D2-74233 – The Best Band You Never Heard in Your Life – Frank Zappa [1991] 2-CD set.

D2-74234 – Make a Jazz Noise Here – Frank Zappa [6/91]

D2-74235 – Ship Arriving Too Late to Save a Drowning Witch – Frank Zappa [1991] First CD issue of FW 38066.

D2-74236 – Orchestral Favorites – Frank Zappa [1991] Reissue of DiscReet DS 2294 [1979].

D2-74237 – Studio Tan – Frank Zappa [1991] Reissue of DiscReet DS 2291 [1979].

D2-74238 – Sleep Dirt – Frank Zappa [1991] Reissue of DiscReet DS 2292 [1979].

D2-74239 – Burnt Weeny Sandwich – Mothers of Invention [1991] Reissue of Bizarre/Reprise RS 6370 [1970].

D2-74240 – Zappa in New York – Frank Zappa [1991] Reissue of DiscReet DS 2290 [1978] with additional and re-edited material.

D2-74241 – Roxy & Elsewhere – Frank Zappa/Mothers [1992] Reissue of DiscReet DS 2202 [1974].

D2-74242 – The Perfect Stranger: Boulez Conducts Zappa – Frank Zappa/Pierre Boulez [1992]

D2-74243 – Touch Me There – L. Shankar [1992]

D2-74244 – Playground Psychotics – Frank Zappa [1992] 2-CD set.

D2-74245 – The Man from Utopia – Frank Zappa [1993] Reissue of FW 38403 [1983].

D2-74246 – Ahead of Their Time – Mothers of Invention [3/93] Released on CD and cassette.

71600 Series (distributed by Rhino):

R4 71600 – The Yellow Shark – Frank Zappa/Ensemble Modern [1993] – Intro/Dog Breath Variations/Uncle Meat/Outrage at Valdez/Times Beach II/III Revised/The Girl in the Magnesium Dress/Be-Bop Tango/Ruth is Sleeping//None of The Above/Pentagon Afternoon/Questi Gazzi di Piccione/Times Beach III/Food Gathering in Post-Industrial America, 1992/Welcome to the United States/Pound For a Brown/Exercise #4/Get Whitey/G-Spot Tornado

Mail-order and other independent releases:

BPR 1111 – Shut Up ‘n Play Yer Guitar – Frank Zappa [5/81] five-five-FIVE/Hog Heaven/Shut Up ‘n Play Yer Guitar/While You Were Out//Traacherous Cretins/Heavy Duty Judy/Soup ‘n Old Clothes

BPR 1112 – Shut Up ‘n Play Yer Guitar Some More – Frank Zappa [5/81] Variations on the Carlos Santana Secret Chord Progression/Gee, I Like Your Pants/Canarsie/Ship Ahoy//The Deathless Horsie/Shut Up ‘n Play Yer Guitar Some More/Pink Napkins

BPR 1113 – Return of the Son of Shut Up ‘n Play Yer Guitar – Frank Zappa [5/81] Beat It with Your Fist/Return of the Son of Shut Up ‘n Play Yer Guitar/Pinocchio’s Furniture/Why Johnny Can’t Read//Stucco Homes/Canard du Jour

BPR 1115 – Baby Snakes – Frank Zappa [3/83] Picture disc. Baby Snakes/Titties ‘n’ Beer/The Black Page No. 2/Jones Crusher/Disco Boy//Dinah Moe Hum/Punky’s Whips

BPR 7777 – Old Masters, Box 1 – Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention [4/85] 7-LP box set consisting of the new masters of the albums Freak Out!, Absolutely Free, We’re Only In It for the Money, Lumpy Gravy, and Cruising with Ruben and the Jets, plus a “mystery disc.”

BPR 7X4-1 – Old Masters, Box 1 Sampler – Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention [4/85] Later That Nite/Take Your Clothes Off When You Dance/What’s the Ugliest Part of Your Body?/Lumpy Gravy (Excerpt)/You’re Probably Wondering Why I’m Here/Any Way the Wind Blows//I’m Not Satisfied/Status Back Baby/Flower Punk/Who Are the Brain Police?/America Drinks & Goes Home

BPR 8888 – Old Masters, Box 2 – Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention [11/86] 9-LP box set consisting of Uncle Meat, Hot Rats, Burnt Weeny Sandwich, Weasels Ripped My Flesh, Chunga’s Revenge, Fillmore East June 1971, and Just Another Band from L.A., plus a second “mystery disc.”

BPR 8888X – Old Masters, Box 2 Sampler – Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention [11/86] Peaches en Regalia/Rudy Wants To Buy Yez a Drink/Directly from My Heart to You/Mr. Green Genes/Lecture / Handsome Cabin Boy//The Story of Willie the Pimp/Willie the Pimp/The Air/Would You Go All the Way?

BPR 9999 – Old Masters, Box 3 – Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention [12/87] 9-LP box set consisting of Waka/Jawaka, The Grand Wazoo, Over-Nite Senation, Apostrophe ('), Roxy & Elsewhere, One Size Fits All, Bongo Fury, and Zoot Allures.

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