Holland

Label B70dj

Stereo MS-2118

Gray/White promotional label with "subsidiary and licensee" rim print.

First appearance in Billboard: January 20, 1973. First appearance in Cash Box: January 13, 1973.

NOT FOR SALE











Some promotional copies of the LP came with a promotional copy of the EP, Mount Vernon and Fairway. Others came with the commercial EP, below.

Label B70-01

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THE BEACH BOYS

MOUNT VERNON AND FAIRWAY

(A Fairy Tale)
(Please listen in the dark)
Produced by The Beach Boys
Engineer: Stephen Moffitt

MS-2118 **Stereo**

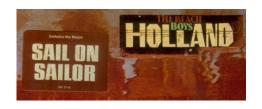
Cream/tan label with "subsidiary and licensee" rim print.

There is little space above the side numbers on each side.

The engineering credit beginning with ** appears erroneously on side 2.









The backdrops for the Brother label varied widely in color. This may be partly a pressing-plant distinction.





Different pressing plants produced copies of the EP having different pressing rings.

Holland appeared in the music magazines with positive reviews and immediately began to garner airplay and sales. The record continued to sell steadily for two months, cresting at #36 in Billboard (March 24) and at #30 on Cash Box's chart (March 31).



HOLLAND—The Beach Boys—Brother/Reprise MS 2118
This is the IP to truly bring their new faces into focus. With Bruce Johnston departed and Ricky Fatar and Blondie Chaplin in key positions as writers as well as performers, the Bbs are able to take an American tradition and make it still seem sensible in '73. Water is again a favorite topic of theirs, with 'Sail On Sailor' being the best of the wet and wild lot. Sailor' being the best of the wet and wild lot. Sailor' being the best of the wet and another standout. Album includes an torigin another standout. Album includes an torigin another standout. Album includes an torigin another standout. Album includes peets of the recording made in the Netherlands.



Label 70

Stereo

MS-2118

Brown (Reprise) label with "division of Warner Bros." rim print. Has the spacing and credits as label B70-01. The EP has the Brother label.



Dutch Union Seeks to Wash Out Beach Boys' Residency

By BAS E

AMSTERDAM—The Beach
Boys, who have settled in Laren,
Holland, may have to leave the
country if the Dutch artists' union
(ANOUK) has its way.

The union is protesting that the
group are residents in Holland and
points out that the arrangement is
a breach of the generally accepted
rule that foreign groups can only
receive work permits for occasional
performances on tour and not for
an indefinite period.

ANOUK fears that if the government gives the Beach Boys official permission to live and work
in Holland, there will be a flood
of other American groups taking
up residence.

A spokesman said: "We are happy that the Beach Boys should find our country a congenial place to live, but we must point out that Dutch artists could not expect similar hospitality in the U.S." It is known that the Beach Boys settled in Holland because they claimed that the atmosphere in the U.S. A was not conducive to creative work.

Label B70-02

Stereo MS-2118

Cream/tan label with "subsidiary and licensee" rim print. There is more space above the side numbers on each side. There is no engineering credit beginning with ** on side 2.



Label B76

Stereo MS-2118

Cream/tan label with Warner Communications logo in the rim print. Zip code is 91505.

Issued 1976; most copies have the same EP as B70-01.



Most copies were Pressed by Columbia.

Label B76a

Stereo MS-2118

Cream/tan label with Warner Communications logo in the rim print. Zip code is 91510.

Issued 1977-78; many have the same EP as B70-01 or B76, but some have updated labels.



Some copies with 91510 labels were pressed by Capitol but used the typeface from Columbia.



Pressed by Capitol's Los Angeles and Winchester plants.

Front Cover

The Beach Boys recorded the LP at the BBC studio in Baambrugge, Utrecht, in the Netherlands. The cover photograph shows an upside-down image of a famous and picturesque street in Amsterdam: Kromme Waal. Thanks to Google Maps, here's a close-up of the same buildings in 2017.





The name of the associated EP, Mount Vernon and Fairway, stems from the intersection of Mt. Vernon Drive and Fairway Blvd. in View Park, California – where Mike Love grew up.

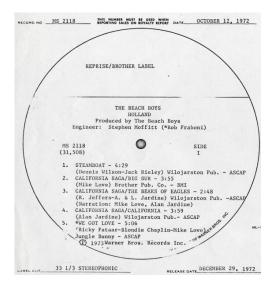
Putting the Album Together

The Beach Boys had the album ready to go, including the artwork, but there was a last-minute change. "We Got Love," by Ricky Fataar, Mike Love, and Blondie Chaplin, was slated for the album's lineup (and appears on the back covers in some countries). The song did not seem to suit Warner Brothers. In October, 1972, they insisted on replacing the track with a song that might be a hit single. With that, the



group finished working on "Sail On, Sailor" and recorded it for the album – the only song on the record that was not connected with their excursion to Holland; it was recorded in Santa Monica (CA).

With the album's release date scheduled for December 29, 172, the first set of test pressings for Holland included "We Got Love." The second test pressing and all promotional and commercial copies of the LP contain "Sail On, Sailor."





In addition to the usual set of radio spots on reel-to-reel tape, Warner Brothers promoted its January releases with highlights on a various-artists album intended for in-store play. The Beach Boys songs that they selected for the album were "Sail On, Sailor" and "The Trader." The LP, *The Hit Sounds of Merrie Melodies!*, features the two selections as the lead-off songs on side three of this 2LP set (Warner Brothers PRO-550).







BEACH BOYS, "The Trader," Reprise (single)
Station: WHCN-FM
MICHAEL BROWN, "Circles,"
Kama Sutra (single)
Station: WHCN-FM
GRAM PARSONS, "Cry One More
Time," Reprise (single)
Station: WHCN-FM

Second, the label released four singles together as part of a preview package for January. These singles were designed to promote selections on featured LPs from Bearsville and Reprise – two Warner subsidiaries. Collectively numbered PRO-557, the singles featured: Paul Butterfield; the Beach Boys; Barbara Keith; and Gram Parsons.



The Beach Boys single, and in particular its B-side, "The Trader," received quite a bit of airplay at the time – so much that some markets believed that these would be the two sides of an upcoming single by the Beach Boys. While "Sail On, Sailor" was a single, fans had to buy the album in order to hear "The Trader."

Warner sometimes packaged the "Trader" promotional single together with promotional copies of the *Holland* album. They sent a few stations a more deluxe package — complete with a fourteen-page booklet on the making of the album. It made a stunning display.



Finally, in order not to exclude the EP tracks from the tape formats, the "Fairy Tale" that was

Mount Vernon and Fairway was added to the tapes.

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