## **Beach Boys Concert**

Although Capitol had completed work on the Beach Boys' Christmas Album in July, 1964, they continued to prepare more product for the band's hungry fans. The Beach Boys recorded two shows in concert at Sacramento Memorial Auditorium on August 1<sup>st</sup>, and these were to serve as the basis for the new album.

Capitol chose to release the record at the same time as the Christmas record, and to promote both LPs with singles. Together with the advertisements and publicity items, the label was making sure that the Beach Boys were one of rock-and-roll's hottest acts at the end of '64.

#### Label 62-01 Mono

TAO-2198 Black rainbow label with logo at top, and no subsidiary print.

Semi-glossy labels

The author credit for "The Wanderer" is (E. Maresca-Larry Spier). First appearance in Billboard: October 17, 1964. First appearance in Cash Box: October 17, 1964.

# BEACH BOYS CONCERT BEACH BOYS CONCERT THE BEACH BOYS THE BEACH BOYS 0-2198 TAO-2198 (T2-2198)

Label 62-M01S – Pressed at Scranton, Decca-Pinckneyville



Label 62-M01L – Pressed at Los Angeles











Capitol TAO 2198 (M); STAO

An unbeatable commercial package. The Boys are hot as a pistol, with single after single hitting the top of the chart. This is their first live concet album. The group is ex-ciling enough to begin with, but add the screaming audience responses and there's even more. The de luxe package includes notes on the concert, four pages of photos and a conv of Leen Set magazine





Label M01L(i) has the information at the right side closer to the song titles below it than to the group name. On side one, the (preceding T1- is above the : in 2:04.

On Label M01L(ii) has that information slightly further up and to the right, so that the (preceding T1- is above the 4 in 2:04.

The record debuted at #103 on November 7<sup>th</sup> on *Billboard's* album chart, making it a stunning omission for the magazine to have failed to review it prior to that date; they did so the following week. *Cash Box* reviewed the album the same week it debuted – again November 7<sup>th</sup>. Both trade magazines agreed that the album was tremendously popular, and the live album wound up being the band's first Number One LP. In February the Beach Boys were awarded with their first Gold Record Awards for LP's from the RIAA; this was one of them.

#### **Possible Covers:**

Commercial cover (MC1) Commercial cover with PROMO punch.

#### Label 62-01

Stereo STAO-2198

Black rainbow label with logo at top, and no subsidiary print. Semi-glossy labels

The author credit for "The Wanderer" is (E. Maresca-Larry Spier).







Label 62-S01S – Pressed at Scranton







## Label 62-S01L – Pressed at Los Angeles

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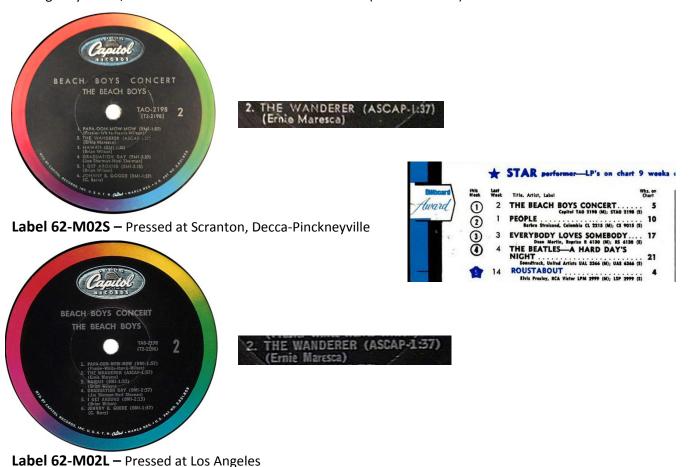
Commercial cover (SC1)

## Label 62-02

#### Mono

TAO-2198

Black rainbow label with logo at top, and no subsidiary print. Semi-glossy labels; the author credit for "The Wanderer" is (Ernie Maresca).



## Label 62-02 Stereo

STAO-2198

Black rainbow label with logo at top, and no subsidiary print. Semi-glossy labels

The author credit for "The Wanderer" is (Ernie Maresca).



Label 62-S02S - Pressed at Scranton





Label 62-S02L – Pressed at Los Angeles

In spring, 1965, Capitol changed the texture of their labels from semi-glossy to flat.

Label 62-03MonoTAO-2198Black rainbow label with logo at top, and no subsidiary print.Flat labels.

Label 62-M03S – Pressed at Scranton



Label 62-M03L Pressed at Los Angeles



Label 62-03StereoSTAO-2198Black rainbow label with logo at top, and no subsidiary print. Flat labels.

Label 62-S03S – Pressed by Scranton, Jacksonville, Columbia





Label 62xStereoSTAO-2198Black rainbow label with logo at top and subsidiary print.Issued 1968-69.

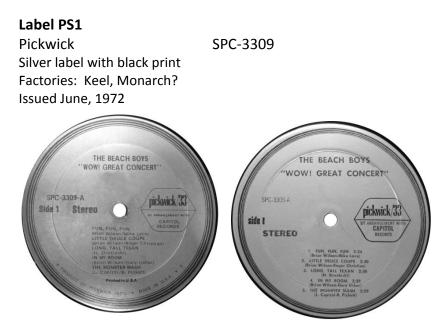


#### Factories: Jacksonville



The cover is reverse-folded (with the larger slick outside) and has the RIAA Gold Record Award seal. (SC2)

## Wow! Great Concert!





The Pickwick album has been edited to reduce the number of songs, and the tracks have been resequenced.



## High Water

## Label PS1

Pickwick Silver label with black print Factories: Keel, Monarch? Issued April, 1973 PTP-2059





The Beach Boys The Beach Boys

This two-record set combines their *Good Vibrations* album with *Wow! Great Concert!* Some copies have a front cover showing water on the beach (SC1). Some copies of SC1 have one or both of the following stickers:

A red, rectangular sticker reading "DELUXE (2) TWO RECORD SET" (S1)

A round, yellow sticker with an image of the band (S2)

Other copies, both older and newer, have an additional black rectangle listing the artist's name (SC2).

Beginning in late 1975, Capitol reinstated the *Concert* album – even as the Pickwick contract was still running. Between 1975 and 1978 both versions of the album were available at the same time.

## Label 72br1

Stereo

SM-2198

Yellow budget label with "Capitol" at the bottom and rights disclaimer across the label in black.

Early copies list the publishing society for "Long Tall Texan" as BMI.

Issued September, 1975, c. 1976.

Factories: Los Angeles; Jacksonville; Winchester





## Stereo

SM-2198

Yellow budget label with "Capitol" at the bottom and rights disclaimer across the label in black.

Later copies list the publishing society for "Long Tall Texan" as ASCAP.

Issued c. 1976 to c. 1980

Factories: Los Angeles; Jacksonville; Winchester



## Label 78bg

StereoSN-16154Green budget label with MFD rim print.Factories: Jacksonville; WinchesterReleased 1980 on.





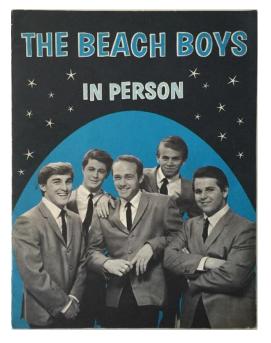
## High Water

## Label PS2 Pickwick

Black label with "rainbow" logo Factories: Keel, Monarch?

PTP-2059

A tour program from 1964



#### Preparation, Ad Campaign, and Legacy

It was a gamble for Capitol to release two separate albums by the same artist simultaneously. While the Christmas album would likely sell as a seasonal hit, there was no guarantee that an album of concert music would sell at the same time. After creating acetates of the Sacramento shows, Capitol and Brian Wilson carefully sequenced and "juiced" the song selections to make the best possible album package. In addition, Capitol put together a deluxe gatefold cover with a four-page photo booklet to add to the album's appeal.

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To promote the record for radio stations, Capitol created a demonstration EP containing two songs that would not compete with any other Beach Boys material because they had not been released anywhere before. The flip side of the EP supported the release of a brand new Hollyridge Strings album devoted to the Beach Boys. For the record shops, Capitol created two completely new items that were designed to go together.

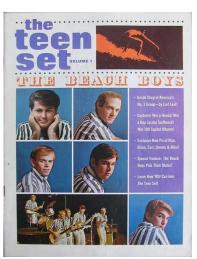


The first of these was a point-of-sale setup that prominently promoted the new album while allowing sellers to stock the previous Beach Boys albums in it as well. They sent out photos featuring Brian Wilson with one of the stand-ups.

In the photo, Brian is seen holding one of the other promotional tools. This was a magazine devoted to the Beach Boys that Capitol created especially to promote the new album release. Later on, Capitol decided to turn that magazine, *The Teen Set*, into a somewhat regular tool for showcasing new artists and records.

The release sheets also listed the album as a "deluxe LP."





NATIONAL BEVIEWE BERVICE POP BULLETIN NO. 15 PAGE 7 -- BOVENBER, 1964 REACH BOTH COPCENT: The Meach Boys (sens): TAO 2158; Carso: EVAD 2158;

The popular group offers their first "live" album with this deluxe LP that also includes four pages of color and hlark-and-white un-stage photos, plus noises on the cuncert recorded in Sacremento, California.

The album includes some of their biggest hite ("Fun, Fun, Fun," "I Get Around" and "In Ry Roun," with vocal by Brian Wilson) in addition to "The Little Old Lady From Pasadema," "Let's Go Trippin'" (guitar sole by Carl Wilson), "Nonster Kash" (vocal sole by Mike Love), "The Wanderer" (vocal sole by Dennis Wilson), "Paga-Dom-Mow-Now" and "Long, Tall Texas."



With the album still selling well the following February, Capitol staged a photo shoot to accompany the official presentation of gold records to the band by the RIAA. They sent one of the promo pictures to *Cash Box*, who put the band on the front cover of their March 27, 1965, issue.





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One year later Capitol placed the *Concert* album in a position of prominence when promoting their entry into the world of eight-track tapes. When they rolled out the format in August, the *Concert* album was one of the first tapes that one could buy, and it was featured in their advertising product. When they decided to issue four-track tapes, once again this was one of the first records that was available. Before the end of the decade, Capitol had released it in every available format.

