



## J. D. (PUMA) LEWIS Shake It - Make It Loose

Label

**THE OUTER EDGE**

Format

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### DESCRIPTION

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### TRACKLISTING

- A1. The Cat (Puma)
- A2. Dancing Shoes
- A3. Tears
- A4. Life's A Party
- B1. Shake It - Make It Loose
- B2. Hearts Of Gold
- B3. Automatic Woman
- B4. Walk Out On Me

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