



## GREGORY ISAACS One Man Against The World

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**KINGSTON SOUNDS**

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## DESCRIPTION

**Gregory Isaacs**, the Cool Ruler as he became known, grew up in the ghetto district of Kingston Jamaica. His influences lay not only in the American singers he heard on the radio such as **Sam Cooke**, **Otis Redding**, but also local singers such as **Alton Ellis**, **Delroy Wilson**, and **John Holt**. His debut release *Another Heartache* was recorded for producer **Winston Sinclair** and was released under Winstons' name in the U.K. This saw Gregory move on to work with producer **Rupie Edwards** forming a vocal group called **The Concordes** alongside two local singers **Bramwell and Penros**. Isaacs always had his sights on forming his own label, which he did in 1972 alongside **Errol Dunkley**, called African Museum. Gregory carried on working with various other producers throughout his career, work that helped fund his own label. One of these producers was **Tappa Zukie**. Tappa Zukie was also raised in the rough and tough areas of Kingston Jamaica, and very much like Gregory Isaacs found music as a way out of the tough environment in which he was surrounded. Music seemed like the only way out of a life of crime and gang culture. A path that Tappa Zukie found and by the mid 1970's was establishing himself as a named star on the DJ Roots circuit. Back home in Jamaica he was also getting a name for his production work for other local singers such as **Prince Allah** and the group **Knowledge**. To release his own productions, like Gregory Isaacs, he formed his own label called Tappa Records. These two artists working together was a match made in heaven and resulted in this set of songs. Nine of these songs originally saw the light of day in 1988, released on Tappa Zukie's Tappa Records initially called *Red*. Kingston Sounds has added some additional material also produced by Mr. Zukie around the same time to expand that release and make their work together more of a complete story.

## TRACKLISTING

CD	15. One Man Against The World (Version)
01. Tickle Me	
02. House of Leo	LP
03. One Man Against The World	A1. Tickle Me
04. Hard Drugs	A2. House of Leo
05. Keys To Your Apartment	A3. One Man Against The World
06. Drowning In Your Tears	A4. Hard Drugs
07. Unforgettable	A5. Keys To Your Apartment
08. Steal A Little Love	A6. Drowning In Your Tears
09. Miss Celebrity	B1. Unforgettable
10. Half A Gram of Your Love	B2. Steal A Little Love
11. Appointment	B3. Miss Celebrity
12. After Smoking My Last Cigarette	B4. Half A Gram of Your Love
13. Insecure	B5. Appointment
14. Tickle (Version)	B6. After Smoking My Last Cigarette

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Collection of songs from **Gregory Isaacs'** collaboration with **Tappa Zukie**, which originally saw the light of day in 1988, released on Zukie's own label, Tappa Records.
- Features additional material also produced by Zukie around the same time to expand that release and make their work together more of a complete story.
- RIYL: **Sam Cooke**, **Otis Redding**, **Alton Ellis**, **Delroy Wilson**, **John Holt**.

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