



BROOKLYN SOUNDS

Libre -- Free

Label

VAMPI SOUL

Format

LP

Catalog Number

VAMPI 311LP

EAN

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Territory

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Genre

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DESCRIPTION

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TRACKLISTING

- A1. Libre Soy
- A2. Chango Santero
- A3. Lágrimas Negras Con Loiza Aldea
- A4. Esta Vida Sweet My Woman
- B1. Guaguancó Tropical
- B2. Ha Llegado El Momento
- B3. Las Margaritas
- B4. Calma Tu Llanto

HIGHLIGHTS

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