

Horace Silver  
Horace Scope  
Blue Note  
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Often overlooked due to other titles also released during Silver's peak period (1954-1965), Horace-Scope is a solid collection that holds up quite well today. It again features the fine tandem of Junior Cook's tenor and Blue Mitchell's trumpet (their third Silver recording together) who, by now, found their interplay becoming second-nature, almost telepathic. Other Silver regulars Gene Taylor and Ray Brooks handle bass lines and drum fills, respectively. Arrangements are spot-on, tight in the pocket and surprisingly ultra-soulful in the solo turns. It's easy to think the highlight of this album to be Silver's first attempt of his own "Nica's Dream" - which had been debuted by Art Blakey three years prior - and it just might be. But equally intoxicating are the takes on "Strollin'", "Without You" and the title tune, all of which Silver and Co. make totally their own. . As part of the Classic Blue Note Signature LP reissue Series this reissue was mastered and cut from the original analog master tapes on Classic's ALL TUBE MONO cutting system and featuring authentic tip on jackets with film laminate front covers. Great record - highly recommended!