

## BLUES & SOUL/686

in strong evidence on the opening two cuts and "Get Off That (Poison)" all of which sit perfectly comfortably within the set's framework. The guys get a little more soulful and intense on "A Touch Of Heaven" and "Treasure Within Pleasure" whilst they offer a pretty fair Boyz II Men impression on "Trust In My Love"

The soul 'n' beats combination is also utilized to good effect on "Make It Right" whilst doo woppers united will be dead chuffed with "If You Go Away". "Reason 2 Love U" is no "reason" at all and remains an altogether modest affair with "What Manner Of Love" offering a plaintive and appealing pop soul cut.

Shades of Stevie on the sombre "Here And Now" and a chanting rockified final cut conclude affairs.

The album highlights the Wades' impressive vocal attributes and on occasion rises to heady heights. The production scenario is not quite so appealing and hovers on adequate rather than inspiring. However, tis good to report on yet further home grown talent making a mark out there.

**(Rating: 7) (BK)**

**THE WADES: Kingsway Inspirational**  
**A TOUCH OF HEAVEN: Best Thing; Prayer Changes Everything; A Touch Of Heaven; Get Off That (Poison); Treasure Without Pleasure; Trust In My Love; Make It Right; If You Go Away; Reason 2 Love U; What Manner Of Love; Get Off That (Poison) (Pulse Remix); Nobody Like Jesus; Here & Now; Do You Wanna Go.**

Sweetly soulful harmonies from one of the UK's most established family gospel groups who add a pleasing over-ride of R&B, swing, soul and a touch of blues on their new album co-produced by the boys themselves together with Nicky Brown.

Track-wise, their current infatuation with swing beats are



**The Wades: gospel soul 'n' beats**