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Shawn Jones. All In Good Time.
High Drive Records. Running time: 51:45

California man Shawn Jones recently impressed at the Talking Heads in Southampton, and if this album doesn't contain the excitement of a live gig, it certainly represents the work of a very talented singer-songwriter. Shawn composed all but one of the 11 tracks here, and with the help of BJ Rogers on drums, Will MacGregor on bass and his own dynamic guitar playing, he has produced a fine album. Bluesy, soulful and rootsy, most of the songs are about love and relationships, sung in intense fashion by Shawn. Some of the arrangements are very Eric Clapton-ish, which is not a criticism! Stand-outs include "I Can't Help Myself" and "There Was You" and the closing "My Best Friend," a touching tribute to Shawn's Dad Danny who died eighteen months ago. Excellent.