

Something

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Perhaps George Harrison's finest moment on the Abbey Road album, 'Something' was one of the record's undisputed highlights, and showed him finally leaving the songwriting shadow of Lennon and McCartney.

'Something' was written during the 1968 sessions for The Beatles (White Album), _____ it wasn't finished until the following year.

I had _____ 'Something' on the piano during the recording of the White Album.
There was a period during that album when we were all in different
studios doing different things _____ to get it finished,
and I _____ to take some time out.
So I went _____ an empty studio and wrote 'Something'.
George Harrison Anthology

A demo version of 'Something', recorded by Harrison on 25 February 1969, his 26th birthday, was included on Anthology 3. It was also remixed and reissued on some formats of the 50th anniversary version of Abbey Road. _____ originally offered to Jackie Lomax, the guitar-and-vocals demo was given to Joe Cocker. Cocker's version was recorded before The Beatles', but not released until November 1969.

In her autobiography Wonderful Tonight, Harrison's former wife Pattie Boyd claimed the song was written about her. Harrison _____ the sentiment, saying it was, in fact, written with Ray Charles in mind.

It has probably got a range of five notes, which fits most singers' needs best. When I wrote it, in my mind I heard Ray Charles singing it, and he did do it some years later. At the time I wasn't particularly _____ that Frank Sinatra did 'Something'. I'm more thrilled now than I was then. I wasn't really into Frank – he was the generation before me. I was more interested when Smokey Robinson did it and when James Brown did it. But I'm very pleased now, whoever's _____ it. I realise that the sign of a good song is when it has lots of cover versions. I met Michael Jackson somewhere at the BBC. The fellow interviewing us made a comment about 'Something', and Michael said: 'Oh, you wrote that? I thought it was a Lennon/McCartney'.

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