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Or something that you're still searching for?

**Cardiff Bluesgirl** 



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I still wish I had taken my cheque book to Dusty day then I might have been able to buy the leather jacket. I hope next time there will be something I can successfully bid for.

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Originally posted by Clive

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Nice thread, Clive. I was thrilled to get Fraser's Legend of Dusty Springfield box set at the DD08 auction.

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There's something in my soul that will always lead me back to you.



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Posted - 31/08/2009: 22:10:13

Hello Clive

My best memory is buying Cameo and See All Her Faces at Costcutter or an equivalent down the The Cut in Waterloo around 1978 Or 1979.

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The shop is still there - I showed Rosie it when we met recently. I used to work in an office in Lower Marsh and in my lunch times I would usually be buying records. I bought these brand new deleted records for about £1.25 each just out of curiosity as I didn't know anything about them and not that much about Dusty.

They mark the early start of my Dusty journey. I was knocked out by Cameo, which remains one of my favourite LPs by anybody, and then went back to get SAHF and was smitten by a few of those tracks too though it would take a while to love 'Crumbs Off The Table'.

I assumed, because Dusty was a 60s singles artist that her albums would be mediocre at best. I was so wrong. I learned through these albums that Dusty was a quality album artist as well. I bought Greatest Hits and then Dusty in Memphis on re-release in Our Price Records in Waterloo and my friend bought White Heat for me in NYC as a surprise present.

I bought two Pickwick CDs in Woolworth's. I bought one, found it was excellent so I went back and bought the other. These were my mainstays for a long time and made for such a good selection that I never bought the Silver collection later on.

I would've bought It Begins Again and LWYL at Our Price, Waterloo or Steve's Sounds in Soho at discount. I bought these out of curiosity.

The rest of my collection was purchased over the web at Amazon. The experience is very different to buying an album in a record shop so the moments are blurred. The most exciting purchases were Simply Dusty, Beautiful Soul, A Brand New Me, and Rhino's 'Lovesongs'. I could hardly wait for these sets to be delivered and I can remember dedicating whole evenings/early mornings to these treasures. I was hearing a lot of this material for the first time; the experience was mind blowing and it transformed me into a Dusty fan purely on the basis of Dusty's vocal performances.

I'm happy with the collection I have which is now strengthened by a little collection of unofficial recordings and the 'Good Times' double CD. I would love to be able to hear more demos and out-takes; in other words Dusty constructing her great tracks (like those that are available by Elvis).

# Memphis

Ever since we met...



dancer8595 Little by little



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Posted - 31/08/2009: 22:27:23

Clive - what a great idea for a thread. Your opening line 'have you any memories about collecting Dusty CDs or records?' made me smile a little bit, because all of my Dusty collecting has happened very recently and as such is fresh in my mind! I'd love to be able to say that I remember saving up my money to go and buy a lovely shiny new copy of 'Ev'rything's Coming Up' in 1965, but I didn't, so I don't. (I do have a copy of the vinyl LP but I bought it on eBay a few months back. Not quite as nostalgic and romantic a story ...)

My (relatively) modest Dusty collection has been amassed fairly erratically in a few short bursts. I first started tracking a few things down about three years ago, and then got particularly interested in the more elusive albums shortly before I joined LTD (and since then, of course, what's a girl to do when a whole new Dusty world opens up in front of her? Surrender to it, obviously. Who wouldn't?) While a big part of me longs to have been around in the 60s and to know what it's like to have loved Dusty for 40+ years, I have to say that the discovery of her music over the last few years has been an intense, intoxicating experience. I am a very passionate person; I don't feel half-heartedly about things, and some of the moments I've had with Dusty's music on the headphones late at night have been unforgettable. This is the power of great pop music: it can make you cry, it can make you tremble, it can make your heart

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stop. So yes, Clive, I do have vivid memories of buying particular items, but I'll just pick a couple for this thread. One was coming home from work late at night and discovering that the 'Beautiful Soul' album had arrived. I knew 'Cameo' already but nothing could have prepared me for the searing emotional impact that 'Longing' made on me. I felt detached from the rest of the world for most of the next day. Watching the Live at the BBC DVD for the first time sideswiped me completely; I don't think I'd understood the true extent of her gifts until I saw this. And hearing 'Brand New Me' and 'It Begins Again' all the way through - after the lovely Memphis sent them to me very soon after I'd joined LTD (how many moons ago does that seem now, M?!...) - was magic, because it was such a treat to hear whole albums that I

#### Rosie x

hadn't heard before.

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."

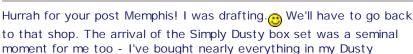
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collection online and waiting for a parcel is soooo exciting!

And of course I remember my first Dusty CD, which was 'In Memphis' many years ago. As I said when we met I played nothing else for weeks.

#### Rosie x

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Sue Little by little



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Posted - 01/09/2009: 00:35:44

Hi Clive, great thread!



I have a very vivid memory of buying the 'Live at The BBC DVD', it started me off on an unforgettable journey, and one that i know will never end. But, there's a little more to it than that. When i was a kid i used to go all gooey when Dusty came on telly, i think my mum recognised this, so she started telling me that it was all wigs and make-up, the kind of things i hated....at that age! Anyway, to cut a long story short, my mum died the year after Dusty. But, it wasn't until last year when i was browsing in HMV, not looking for anything in particular...i was just about to come out of the shop, suddenly, i turned and spotted the DVD....i'd actually walked past it about three times without noticing....but, i like to think it was mum tapping me on the shoulder....

Sue xx



daydreamer



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I've collected from the beginning, so it's not easy to pick out particular highlights. I couldn't have imagined in the 60's, not going out and getting the new releases as they hit the shops and to this day, I love to buy something Dusty across the counter rather than the easier, online. Simply Dusty was bought from the shop in Henley (along with a poster), when it stayed open until midnight on the night before release. I have Fraser to thank for that, I was away on holiday

I lost all my cuttings books in the 70's when my parents house was cleared and I was thrilled nearly 20 years later to find a guy who was offering photocopies of so many of what I previously owned. Now I

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love to collect glossy photo's and original 60's music magazines, especially the ones with Dusty on the cover. I also have those shoes and remember the initial thrill of, not just owning the shoes, but finding the toes of one pair stuffed with tissues with lipstick on them

Carole x

"There's a part of you that's a part of me..."

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well as some of you on here know I also lost most of my Dusty stuff including a signed pic of hers. I discovered that My Father had burnt all the stuff in our attic before they moved house ( i was living in the nurses home as we had to live in in my day ) and my Dusty memorabilia went up in smoke. I have since collected as much as I can and have most of her music and thanks to this site I have downloaded lots of pics that people like Carole, Cas etc have put on here. I loved having the Dusty box set and got that from amazon, as is true of lots of her music. I have also bought some lps recently.

when I started the review of "a very fine love" on here I described whizzing out to get it as soon as it was released and I was so thrilled to have it on in the car on the way back from the shops. her voice has never ceased to captivate me and to hear her on that album was such a treat after all the years in between, apart from when the PSBs gave us her voice again.

I suppose my most exciting time though was when she left the Springfields and I went into Cardiff on the bus to buy ,with my pocket money, "a girl called Dusty" having a whole album of just her and in that wonderful pose in the denim gear was truly fab. 47 years of loving and collecting her stuff, so I guess it has been a massive influence on my life. I wish I still had the original collection of music and scrapbooks and tickets to her shows but I dont and so at least I have the new stuff and all of you on this site to share stories about her and see all the pics through the years that some of the fans on here have kept and shared with us.

so thanks to everyone for that.

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Great stories, Carole and Liz



Sue xx



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It's wonderful to read all your stories - they're giving me a little tingle down my spine! Liz, I was aware of the truly awful loss of your Dusty memorabilia but I didn't really have an idea of the circumstances until now. I'm glad you've been able to build your collection up again. Carole - my heart missed a beat when you mentioned the tissues with lipstick on them. Ooooh. And Memphis, it seems that every time you mention a record you own you are able to remember exactly when and where and under what circumstances you bought it. It's amazing!

Rosie x

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to her then..."





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I loved reading all these memories, thanks for sharing them. They are so well expressed I almost feel like I was there.

I remember early 1999 I had read about the upcoming *Dusty In Memphis* and *Dusty In London* CDs and was looking forward to them.

This being in the days before I bought anything on the internet I was looking out in Virgin or HMV to get them in on import.

When they came into stock I think it was maybe the week Dusty passed away. I saw them but coudn't buy them, the time just didn't seem right. I remember looking at them and sadly putting them back on the rack.

I went back a couple of weeks later and bought them and they are still my favourite Dusty CDs.



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