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Carole R.
Where am I going?
☆☆☆

Posted - 23/11/2009 : 16:12:35



Don't know if you heard the original by the Writer, Janis Ian?.. Anyway here it is:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0YyIKekLKc
Do you think Dusty did it justice?(Ask a silly question!)

CR xx

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karen mahoney
Little by little
★

Posted - 23/11/2009 : 16:26:42



Give credit where it's due to Janis, but.....I feel more emotion coming from Dusty. biased as I am!!!

Karen.

All I see is you

United Kingdom
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Hampson
I've got a good thing
☆☆☆☆

Posted - 23/11/2009 : 16:40:33



I think Janis did make a very good job of it.

Of course Dusty took it too a different level didn't she, nothing new there then. Accent on certain words made all the difference.

"Dial a prayer, are you there, do you care," I think that's my favourite Dusty line of all time.

I think Dusty saw that song and grabbed it by the throat and made it hers.

I think it's a wonderful song though, you can sense the abject despair. An emotional low - in a nice sort of way.

Wend

Edited by - Hampson on 23/11/2009 16:42:24

trek007
I'll try anything
☆☆

Posted - 23/11/2009 : 16:49:10



I think there have been times in all our lives when we can relate to In The Winter...especially on cold dark days.

Janis does make a good job of the song..as the writer of it.

But of course Dusty touches our senses like no other can when she sings it.

Trek.
often called Carole.

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boztiggs

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Posted - 23/11/2009 : 18:17:15



United Kingdom
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I agree, I felt like id been beaten up after i first heard Dusty sing it. But big thanks to janis for writing it in the first place, or we wouldnt have this treasure in our midst, although treasure may not be the right word, sometimes its just too painful to listen to, and can make me feel quite depressed, but i wouldnt be without it for all the world.

Neil

" Here in the gloom, of my lonely room, i hold his photograph and pray ill see him soon oh-oh"



allherfaces

Administrator



Posted - 23/11/2009 : 18:41:12



USA
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Didn't Janis herself says that Dusty set the gold standard for her song?

x N

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

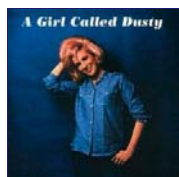


Cardiff Bluesgirl

I'll try anything



Posted - 23/11/2009 : 20:09:47



United Kingdom
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its a great song,I like Janis and I have the lp with this on. However,Dusty does it so much better,the emotion in those lyrics she can rarely be bettered in any song she made her own. i think this is the song that Janis Ian said there was no point in her singing it again as Dusty's version was so much better.

well she was right there!! 😊

"every day I find you're in my heart and on my mind"

liz.



daydreamer

Moderator



Posted - 23/11/2009 : 20:15:54



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Yes, she did. She said that after hearing Dusty's version, she thought she'd never be able to do the song justice again. When I hear all these present day 'Divas' emoting all over the place, warbling, shouting and trying so hard to put feeling into a song, I would just like to sit them down and let them listen to Dusty singing 'In The Winter'. Understated, real, personal and dripping with emotion....and all done so quietly. Maybe it was an unfinished piece, but it is one of Dusty's masterpieces.

Carole x

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



memphisinlondon

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Posted - 24/11/2009 : 00:05:59



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I agree with Carole (and we've discussed the song fairly recently elsewhere on LTD). I think that being a tad older, more experienced and such a great interpretive genius that Dusty did the song total justice and made it her own. It's just so great that Dusty recorded more modern, adult and introspective songs on 'Longing'; we get a real sense of her true potential at that time. Dusty wrenches just about everything out of this song. It's now Dusty's song as far as I'm concerned and Brooks Arthur deserves a lot of credit for the production.

Janis's version stands up very well but it lacks the sharp edges Dusty gave to it. I always remember Sheena Easton's version when we talk about this particular song. Sheena's version was the first version I owned and rated. It's such a startling song whoever sings it. Janis's was the first version I heard on the radio and Dusty's was the last version I first heard on the Simply Dusty box-set. There's no point in listening to any others.

Memphis
Ever since we met...



allherfaces
Administrator
★★★★★

Posted - 24/11/2009 : 02:02:27



Nice to see you, Melanie. :)

x N

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



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paula
Moderator
★★★★

Posted - 24/11/2009 : 02:44:25



Like Melanie, I first heard this when I bought the 'Simply Dusty' box set...and listened so intently on everything (especially all the songs that were new to me)from it (was lost in it for awhile 😊)

This song really made me stop..it was different than anything I had heard up to that point from Dusty. This is when I really heard the versatility of the songs that Dusty had chosen and how well she interpreted them.

I like Janis Ian's version..she sings the story well..BUT Dusty sings it as if she lived the story. she gets you to believe it's about her.

paula x.



DustysBoy
Where am I going?
★★★

Posted - 24/11/2009 : 07:45:20



Dusty's version all the way! 😊 lol

Ian's version has no feeling..

JOSH 😊

"There is a garden
Something like the shadow of a butterfly
And lies beyond the gates of dark and light
And darling, it belongs to me"



MissDustyFanatic
Where am I going?
★★★

Posted - 24/11/2009 : 08:04:31



Miss Dusty's version, easily.

I KNOW I'm in the minority on this, but 'In The Winter' has never really bowled me over emotionally or been a favorite of mine...before you start chucking stones...

Miss Dusty sings it incredibly well. It's like Carole says, her voice is dripping with emotion that modern singers only succeed in hinting at when they screech. She knew when to hold back and when to belt on this song, and if the writer of the piece says that even she can't do it justice anymore after hearing Miss Dusty's version, then it IS the definitive version.

It is full of wrenching, heartbreaking lyrics, but some of the other

lyrics, when talking about common things...they just seem so mundane. It's like "Emotional gut punch, emotional gut punch, anger, sadness, we need to get the heater fixed..".

I realize I'm odd, but the song IS growing on me more and more; the music seems less overly melodramatic than it used to, and it truly does show Miss Dusty's interpretive genius. Different strokes for different folks, eh?

"Yesterday's gone....love lead me on"



Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
★★★★★

Posted - 24/11/2009 : 08:41:47

Two totally different versions, I prefer Dustys.

Casx

'Something in your eyes'



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Carole R.
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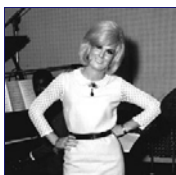
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No-ones chucking stones at you Taylor and I understand your point about you not feeling it right that the mundane side of life is mixed in with the high emotions of this song..

However, I think its precisely this, which attracts people to the song..They can relate to it...Because in reality we are all struggling with emotions of some kind or other whilst having to go about our daily routine tasks.

This is a song where I actually' see' Dusty in that situation in my minds eye..

She makes it so believable.
That is a mark of true talent.
CR xx

Edited by - Carole R. on 24/11/2009 12:22:57



MissDustyFanatic
Where am I going?
★★★

Posted - 25/11/2009 : 06:34:21

I'd never really thought about it like that, Carole. I'll have to give it a few spins in the next little while and see if I can listen to it that way...



"Yesterday's gone....love lead me on"



USA
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Isparks18
Little by little
★



Posted - 27/11/2009 : 13:19:29

Loved Janis Ian's version of ITW, but when I heard Dusty I ran to the computer to talk about it. JI wrote it, performed it, but once again, by a quirk of nature, Dusty had a quality to her voice that JI lacks that took the song to another level.

Linda



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