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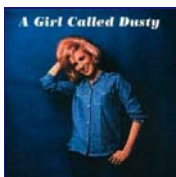
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Chris H
I start counting

Posted - 02/12/2009 : 08:28:24

Following Sue's good work on Dusty's singles chart stats. It's worth pointing out that the brilliant ISLAND OF DREAMS was the 4th biggest selling single of 1963. With only Orbison and the Beatles x2 selling more.



Although IOD peaked at No.5 it stayed around in the Top Twenty for a few months. So if sales had been more concentrated the Springfields could have had a deserved NUMBER ONE.

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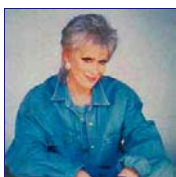
Cheers

Chris

Clive
I'll try anything
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Posted - 03/12/2009 : 13:08:29

Interesting that it sold more than many number ones of that year Chris. I wonder if it had hit number 1 would the Springfields still have split that year?



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Sue
Little by little
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Posted - 03/12/2009 : 13:43:03

Thanks Chris 😊😘

You're right, it entered the top 40 at No.34 on 20th December '62, looking at the chart book makes me smile because it seems that over the next few months it would go up a few places, slip back a little, back up a few more, and so on, here's how it happened in the listings: No.34-24-26-26-19-12-14-10-12-8-9-9-6-7-5-15-15-16-20-25-31-34-38, before finally bowing out of the top 40 at the end of May '63.



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I think it's worth having another look.

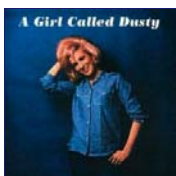
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rhF-Mqn-HEQ>

Sue xx

Chris H
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Posted - 03/12/2009 : 15:26:07

Good point Clive - The group may have stayed together a little longer.



And thanks for that chart breakdown Sue - That would never happen these days.

Chris

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paula
Moderator
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Posted - 04/12/2009 : 02:48:36



'Island of Dreams'...my favorite Springfields song. I can play it on my harmonica. 😊
paula x



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spooky
Little by little
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Posted - 05/12/2009 : 02:05:30



Great clip, great song. The Springfields had such a great blend of voices and really nice personality as a group. I think they would have split up even if the song had stayed on the charts longer...Dusty was ready to be a star and wanted the stage all to herself!

Love D's polka dot blouse. Can I borrow that top?

Annie

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