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## Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

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### Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Mikey\_C**

Posted: **Fri Oct 05, 2012 1:45 pm**

Like many people I guess, I started collecting Dusty CDs with "Memphis", then I got the Singles A&Bs and her early albums, then "Reputation" and "A Very Fine Love" cheaply secondhand. Outside of this, I'm finding it near-impossible to get hold of her mid-period albums on CD as they are out-of-print and going for ridiculous prices. It largely seems to be a case now of finding compilations (some out-of-print such as the very good "Something Special") to chase individual tracks.

My question is; How is this allowed to happen with a major artist like Dusty? OK, I understand that some of these records weren't properly-promoted or well-received at the time, but they are ripe for rediscovery and I'm sure would sell by the bucketload if given the deluxe "extra-disc" treatment. Nowadays it seems like anyone who ever coughed in a recording studio is being reissued, so why not the UK's greatest ever female vocalist?

Presumably there are copyright issues or arguments going on, but with Dusty's memory to be preserved and (dare I say it!) money to be made, surely these can be resolved? Does anyone know exactly what the problem is?

### Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **IWannaBeABluesSinger**

Posted: **Fri Oct 05, 2012 8:41 pm**

The quick answer is that whenever a boxset like SIMPLY DUSTY or more recently GOIN' BACK and THE MAGIC OF DUSTY was ready for release the other CD's were deleted so as not to compete. They should re-emege as some point.

Maggie

### Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Corinna**

Posted: **Sat Oct 06, 2012 9:51 am**

Considering how the BBC has deleted Dusty TV shows 🙄 it seems she's just not valued enough... 🙄

Have you looked in our shop for what's available? Some titles are downloads and not CDs, but still worth checking out! Good luck!

<http://www.dustyspringfield.org.uk/LTD/index.php/shop>

### Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl**

Posted: **Sat Oct 06, 2012 1:34 pm**

slightly off tangent, but have you heard that the BBC have been asking for fans contributions for any missing shows that were wiped over the years. they want people to come forward with any recordings etc and they will update the archives and hopefully show or play them in the future. maybe some of those "lost" shows of Dusty will appear 😊

### Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Mikey\_C**

Posted: **Sun Oct 07, 2012 3:09 am**

Box sets are fine, but you can end up spending an awful lot on tracks you already have, just to get a few rare gems. Even *Goin' Back: The Definitive Dusty Springfield* is short on the era I'm chasing (making it not quite definitive!).

Maybe I'm just old-fashioned, because the albums are available as MP3 downloads, and I can just pick and

choose the tracks I haven't already got on compilations. Or get hold of a turntable and go back to vinyl. I like having a physical product and I like the CD format, particularly when albums are backed up with extra tracks. It seems like a disrespect to Dusty's legacy when lesser artists have been given this treatment and she hasn't. Let's hope it's in the pipeline!

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **daydreamer**

Posted: **Mon Oct 08, 2012 6:35 pm**

I'm old fashioned, I like CD's and I like albums. I just don't do downloads. I have all the albums on CD but I know that many people don't and though I can't give you an answer as to why they haven't been re-released, except of course for the fact that the powers that be don't think it's worth it, I wouldn't give up hope. Copyright issues are always a big drawback that's for sure. I agree with you Mikey, Something Special is just that, a special collection, played to death by me.

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Cas19**

Posted: **Mon Oct 08, 2012 6:41 pm**

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No I hadn't read /heard that Liz, lets hope some gems are unearthed.

Casx

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **dave d**

Posted: **Tue Oct 09, 2012 9:29 pm**

Try a local record fair or record collectors shops get to know the guys there ( they also deal in cd's) and let them know what you are looking for you may be surprised what they come up with- personally i prefer vinyl i have over 40 Dusty albums inclusive of mono and stereo re-releases around 30 7" singles EP's etc etc the springfields ; the lanas , tom springfield madiline bell i have found them all at record dealers record fairs charity shops etc

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Mikey\_C**

Posted: **Tue Oct 09, 2012 9:37 pm**

A good tip, Dave. I am always going into charity shops anyway as I collect books. They often have a dusty pile of vinyl.

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **dave d**

Posted: **Tue Oct 09, 2012 9:59 pm**

Also Mikey see if you can get your hands on a copy of Paul Howes 'The complete Dusty Springfield' discography, a very useful publication for track listings catalogue numbers etc in fact everything you need to know when collecting Dusty's music

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **jeffery**

Posted: **Tue Oct 09, 2012 10:30 pm**

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Such is the nature of my ire. A movie has been made on Joan Jett,...but not Dusty? 😞 PLEE-Z-Z-ZE ! You may have to return to vinyl. Modern turntables are complete with USB ports. I started going to regional, quarterly record shows which also have a fare share of CD's. I stop in every second hand shop or rummage sale where I even think there might be CD's or records. As a last resort I buy from e-bay or Amazon. I decided, "Hey, she's worth hunting for".

You can see my collection here. 🙌 Search: "Jeffery's Dusty shrine".

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **snoop1974**

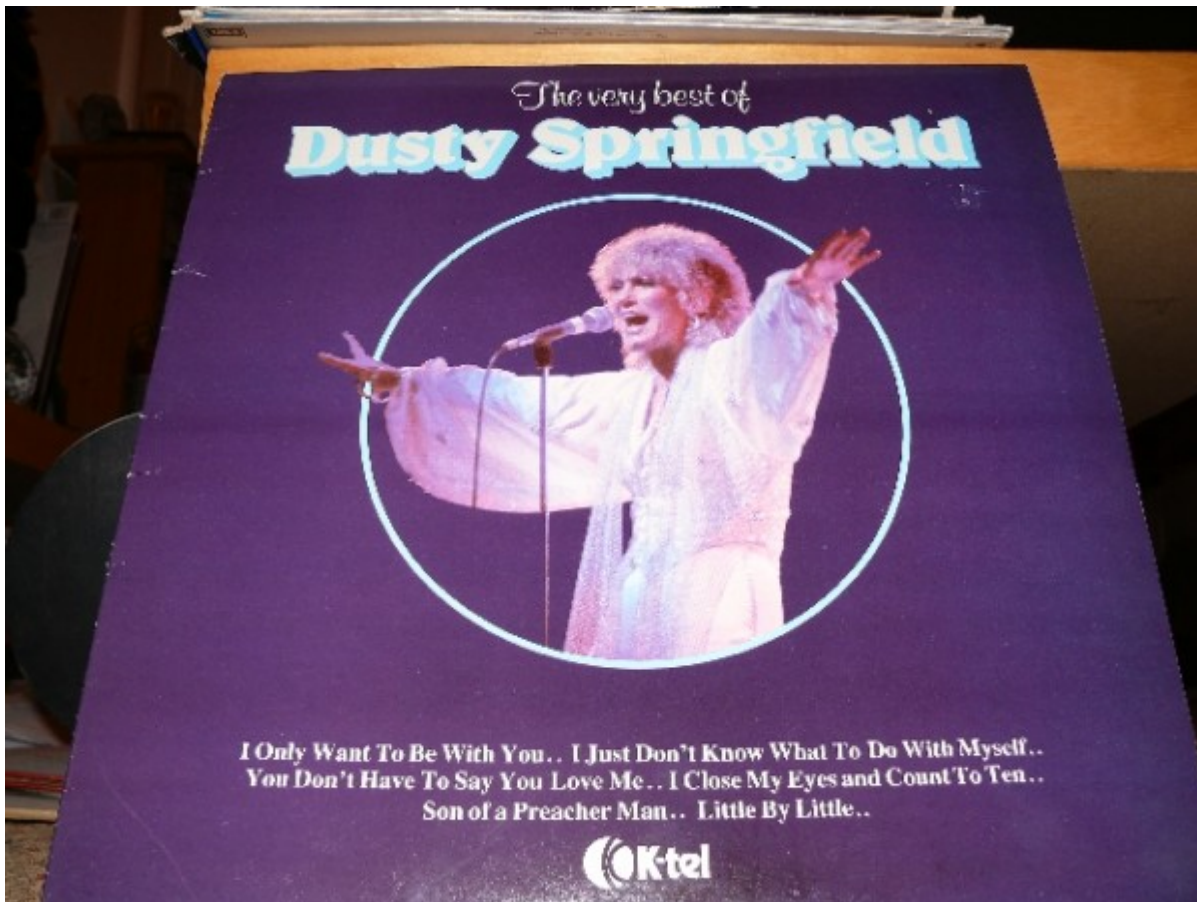
Posted: **Thu Nov 01, 2012 1:24 pm**

I would LOVE Deluxe Editions of ALL her studio albums - with bonus CD of single only releases/b-sides/non album tracks from the same era and a DVD of TV performances/interviews and rare stuff like the Knocker-upper ad etc

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **dave d**

Posted: **Sat Dec 22, 2012 10:28 pm**



One i found today-never seen it before -well pleased with this find for the princely sum of one pound!

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **Carole R.**

Posted: **Sat Dec 22, 2012 11:31 pm**

Nice find Dave!.. 😊 😊

Was it from the OXFAM shop in Henley?! 😊

You are a jammy devil... 🤪🤪

Carole R xx

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **jeffery**

Posted: **Mon Dec 24, 2012 8:15 am**

😄 Lucky dawg ! Nice hunting. 🙌

## Re: Why are Dusty's albums so hard to get?

by **dave d**

Posted: **Wed Dec 26, 2012 9:25 pm**

was from a charity shop but unfortunately not the one in henley-but planning to get there soon

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