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Aerosmith Greatest Hits

Early History: Aerosmith is a rock band that originated from the United States of America. Some refer to them as “America’s Greatest Rock and Roll Band” or “The Bad Boys from Boston”. They have a much different style than other rock bands. Aerosmith originally started as a blues-based hard rock and has later developed and incorporated different elements of pop and heavy metal. Members of the band include Steven Tyler on guitar, Joe Perry on lead guitar, Brad Whitford also on guitar, Tom Hamilton playing bass guitar, Joey Kramer on drums, and Ray Tabano on rhythm guitar. The band was originally signed over to Columbia Records in 1972. Shortly after they released many gold and platinum albums, beginning with their debut album “eponymous debut album”, followed shortly after by “Get Your Wings”. A few years following, the band went mainstream they dropped two albums “Toys in the Attic” and “Rocks” which then glued their status as rock superstars. Their first albums still maintain multi-platinum to this day.

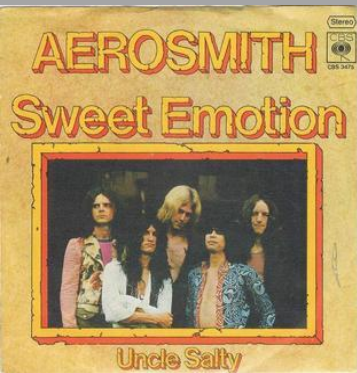


“Dream On”

One of Aerosmith’s biggest hits, also my personal favorite song by the band “Dream On”, hit number 173 on the stones billboard of ‘best songs of all time’, which is pretty impressive. “Dream on” was written by lead singer Steven Tyler, this song was their biggest hit especially for that early in their career. Tyler said this was the only song on their first album where he used his real voice. He was insecure about how his voice sounded on tape so for the other songs he recorded in a deeper fashion trying to sound more soulful such as James Brown. But the song is most famous for its amazing build up to Tyler’s trademark screams.



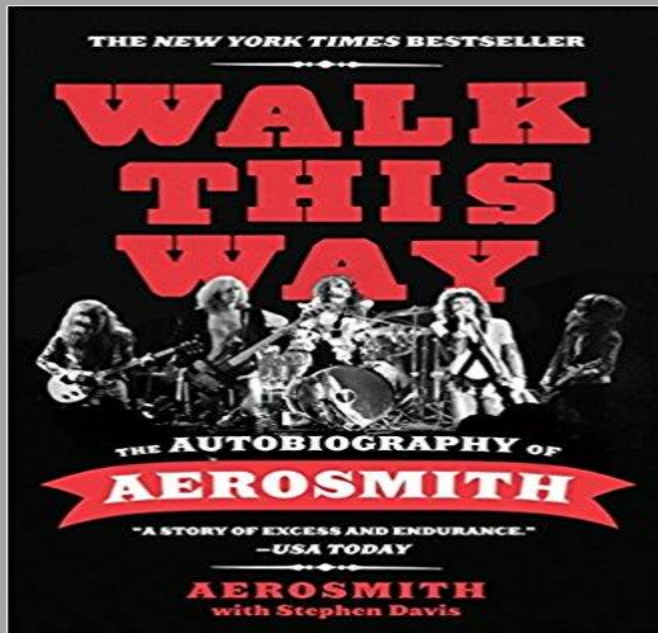
“Sweet Emotion”



Aerosmith later released a huge hit a couple years following “Dream On”, called “Sweet Emotion”. The song was released as a single on May 19th 1975 and was their first single to hit top 40. This track was classified as Hard rock because of its repeated electric bass riff. In the recording of this song, Steven Tyler shakes a bag of sugar because maracas were not available. Many believe, including the band members, that Tyler wrote the lyrics of this song in response to the tension and hatred going on between the members.

“Walk This Way”

“Walk This Way” is another single released from the “Toys in the Attic” album which hit number 10 on the top 100 billboard. This song differs from all of Aerosmith's previous work as it incorporates the band's first look at hip-hop fused with rock n roll in the same song. This grabbed the attention of many young listeners because back then you usually were just a fan of one or the other and this brought both worlds together. The band did a collab with an American hip hop group called Run-DMC which brought much attention to the scene as it had never really been seen before that a hip hop group and a rock n roll band would come together to make a piece of art such as this.



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Favourite members of the band

Steven tyler



Steven Victor Tallarico, also known as the “Demon of Screamin” plays the biggest role in this band as he is a song writer, multi-instrumentalist, and lead singer of the band. Tyler was born on March 26,1948 in Manhattan, New York. He is most known for his high screams and huge vocal range. His voice is what perfectly executes most of the songs and makes them so well known. Tyler is full of energy on stage, always dressed in bright colours and keeps his trademarked scarves hanging from his microphone stand.

Joe Perry



Anthony Joseph Pereira was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts. Perry is an extremely talented guitarist who took up this talent at the age of ten. Even though he is left handed he learned how to play with his right. Perry originally played with John Hamilton (also a member of Aerosmith) in a band named Jam Band. Later on in his career he met up with Tyler and the others to form Aerosmith.

Joey Kramer

Joseph Michael Kramer was born on June 21, 1950 in the Bronx, New York. Kramer plays a great roll in this bands success as being the best and only drummer in this band. The name of the band Aerosmith originated from Kramer while he was listening to Harry Nilsson's album "Aerial Ballet". As an added fun fact, before joining the band, Kramer was starred on an episode of the Simpsons and from there turned into an action figure.



These are Aerosmith's greatest hits and the master minds behind their creation, hope you enjoyed.