



JESSICA SIMPSON

Jessica Simpson first began singing in a Baptist Church choir and at age 12 auditioned for the Mickey Mouse Club in which she was turned down. She was discovered, while singing at a church camp in Dallas, by the head of a small Christian contemporary record label recording one album. She dropped out of high school in her senior year to tour in order to promote this new album which was then being funded by her grandmother. Later she began touring with the Christian Youth Conference circuit that included other music groups. At these performances she and her father would sell copies of the album. When Tommy Mottola, of Columbia Records, happened upon a copy thinking she had some potential as a pop singer, signed her to a recording contract. From 1999 to 2001 Jessica Simpson recorded 7 Top 40 Pop hits along with 5 RIAA Certified Gold and 2 multi-platinum albums. Jessica Simpson became a house-hold name after marrying Nick Lachey co-starring with him in the MTV reality show "The Newly Weds". The show became a pop culture phenomenon along with winning 3 "Teen Choice Awards" In 2005 she made her first appearance in a motion picture starring as



Daisy Duke in the remake of "The Dukes of Hazzard" that debuted at #1. In 2006 her movie soundtrack cover of Nancy Sinatra's "These Boots Are Made For Walking" won a People's Choice Award for "Favorite Song From A Movie". Jessica's first hit single "I Wanna Love You Forever" reached #3 going platinum. It's interesting to note that on Jessica Simpson's Official Web Site it states she was born and raised in Dallas, Texas. Jessica Ann Simpson was born in Abilene, Texas July 10, 1980. She was once quoted saying: "I was born in Abilene, Texas a small town out in the middle of nowhere". Nowhere translates into some of the greatest music performers and songwriters of all-time.