



Listener's Guide To WDAM Radio's History of Del Shannon [And Friends!]

WDAM Radio, America's greatest imaginary station, proudly presents the greatest broadcast in telecommunications history of music by and/or involving the late and legendary Del Shannon! He was an artist who influenced the careers of the Beatles, Rolling Stones, Monkees, Elvis Presley, Brian Hyland, Elton John, The Electric Light Orchestra, Dave Edmunds, Bruce Springsteen, and many others.

This is the only collection on this planet that contains every hit version ever of Del Shannon's immortal, "Runaway," as well as some of his other ultra-rare re-recordings of this song. You'll also enjoy the original hit versions of songs Del Shannon "covered." Also, here for you to hear – and nowhere else in "broadcasting land"...are songs he produced, wrote, and/or arranged for other artists – plus the original hit versions, if any, of those songs, too! We've additionally included an Elton John classic based on one of Del Shannon's more obscure hits. And there's more – enjoyable and/or rare Del Shannon album cuts and 45 rpm singles, including his final release, finished in the studio and issued in 1991, one year after he died.

Needless to say, many of these recordings retain the pops, clicks, and surface noise inherent in vinyl; our audio elves did the best they could to correct them, but that's rock 'n roll!

The WDAM Radio music archivists have also added interesting trivia about the tunes on the attached information pages for this 4-CD broadcast, including Del Shannon's hit recordings of Beatles (he had the first U.S. hit recording of a Beatles song) and Rolling Stones (he had a hit with a song they never charted) material as well as the hit version of a Monkees tune that appeared on their second album. And since Del Shannon was just as popular, if not more so, in the United Kingdom, we have also included top *Billboard* hit music chart positions and years in parenthesis after each selection for both the U.S. and the U.K.!

All of us at WDAM Radio hope you will enjoy this broadcast as much as we did creating it!

Rock on.....and on.

WDAM Radio's Hit Singles History Of Del Shannon

#	Artist	Title	Chart Position/Year	Comments
	HIT MIX			
001	Del Shannon	Runaway"	#1-U.S./1961 & #1-U.K./1961	
001A	Echo Men	"You Broke My Heart"	-/1962	
001B	Rick Fortune	"Running Wild"	-/1963	
001C	Russ Damon	"Cry, Big Boy, Cry"	-/1965	
002	Del Shannon	"Hats Off To Larry"	#5-U.S./1961 & #6-U.K./1961	Lou Christie – co-composer.
003	Del Shannon	"So Long Baby"	#28-U.S./1961 & #10-U.K./1961	Bobby Hebb – composer.
004	Del Shannon	"Hey! Little Girl"	#38-U.S./1961 & #2-U.K./1962	
005	Del Shannon	"(Marie's The Name) His Latest Flame"	-/1961	Original version.
005A	Elvis Presley	"(Marie's The Name) His Latest Flame"	#4/1961	
006	Del Shannon	"I Won't Be There"	#113/1962	A-side.
007	Del Shannon	"Ginny In The Mirror"	#117/1962	B-side.
008	Del Shannon	"Cry Myself To Sleep"	#99-U.S. & #29-U.K./1962	This song inspired Elton John to compose <i>Crocodile Rock</i> .
008A	Elton John	"Crocodile Rock"	#1-U.S. & #5-U.K./1972	
009	Del Shannon	"The Swiss Maid"	#64-U.S. & #2-U.K./1962	
009A	Roger Miller	"The Swiss Maid"	#1-Country & #13-Rock Albums /1965	Composer. From <i>The 3rd Time Around</i> .
010	Del Shannon	"Little Town Flirt	#12-U.S./1962 & #4-U.K./1963	
010A	Allen Wayne	"Walkin' My Baby"	-/1963	
011	Del Shannon	"You Never Talked About Me"	-/1962	From the British film, <i>It's Trad Dad</i> (American title – <i>Ring-A-Ding Rhythm</i>). It starred Del Shannon, Gary "U.S." Bonds, Chubby Checker, Gene Vincent, and various early English rockers. It was director Richard Lester's first film – he then went on to direct the Beatles movies.
012	Del Shannon	"Two Kind Of Teardrops"	#50-U.S. & #5-U.K./1963	
013	Del Shannon	"From Me To You"	#77/1963	A-side/U.S. – B-side/U.K. The first song written by the Beatles to chart in the U.S.! Del Shannon was the first U.S. artist to record a Lennon-McCartney composition.

013A	Beatles	"From Me To You"	#41-U.S./1964 & #1-U.K./1963	B-side of <i>Please Please Me</i> {#3-U.S./1964}.
014	Del Shannon	"Two Silhouettes"	#23-U.K./1963	A-side/U.K – B-side/U.S.
015	Del Shannon	"Sue's Gotta Be Mine"	#71-U.S. & #21-U.K./1963	
016	Del Shannon	"Mary Jane"	#35-U.K./1964	A salute, imitating <i>Runaround Sue</i> , to his close friend, Dion!
016A	Dion	"Runaround Sue"	#1-U.S. & #11-U.K./1961	
017	Del Shannon	"That's The Way Love Is"	#133/1964	
018	Del Shannon	"Handy Man"	#22-U.S. & #36-U.K./1964	
018A	Jimmy Jones	"Handy Man"	#2-U.S./1959 & #3-U.K./1960	
018B	Sparks Of Rhythm	"Handy Man"	–/1959	The original version. This was Jimmy Jones' prior group, but he did not sing on this version. It was recorded in 1956 and released three years later.
019	Del Shannon	"Do You Want To Dance"	#43/1964	
019A	Bobby Freeman	"Do You Want To Dance"	#5/1958	
020	Del Shannon	"Keep Searchin' (We'll Follow The Sun)"	#9-U.S./1964 & #3-U.K./1965	
021	Del Shannon	"Stranger In Town"	#30-U.S. & #4-U.K./1965	
022	Del Shannon	"I Go To Pieces"	–/1965	Composer. Demo record with soul singer, Lloyd Brown, as the second voice/background vocalist. Never released as a single.
022A	Peter & Gordon	"I Go To Pieces"	#9/1965	Not a hit in the U.K.
023	Del Shannon	"Break Up"	#95/1965	
024	Del Shannon	"Move It On Over"	#128/1965	Co-written by Dennis Coffey, who had several instrumental hits in the early 1970s.
025	Del Shannon	"The Big Hurt"	#9/1966	Both hit versions of this song use a form of distortion called "phasing" that was popular in the late 1950's and early 1960's – created by playing 2-45's simultaneously just a micro second behind the other – radio DJ's showed their skill by doing this live on the air with other records.
025A	Miss Toni Fisher	"The Big Hurt"	#3-U.S./1959 & #30-U.K./1960	
026	Del Shannon	"Under My Thumb"	#128/1966	
026A	Rolling Stones	"Under My Thumb"	#2-Albums/1966	From <i>Aftermath</i> .
027	Del Shannon	"She"	#131/1967	Written by Tommy Boyce & Bobby Hart.
027A	Monkees	"She"	#1-Albums/1967	From <i>More Of The Monkees</i> .

028	Del Shannon	"Runaway '67"	#112/1967	This is one of three different versions – it has studio musicians applauding Del Shannon. It was produced by Rolling Stones manager/producer Andrew Loog-Oldham.
028A	Del Shannon	"Runaway '67" (Alternative 'Non-Live' Version)	#112/1967	
029	Del Shannon	"The Letter"	#1-Phillippines/ 1967	Released only in the Philippines.
029A	Box Tops	"The Letter"	#1/1967	
030	Smith	"Baby It's You"	#5/1969	This group was discovered by Del Shannon, who also did the musical arrangement on this song, their first of 3 charted hits.
030A	Shirelles	"Baby It's You"	#8/1961	
031	Del Shannon	"Comin' Back To Me"*	#127/1969	Co-written by Brian Hyland of <i>Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini</i> fame.
032	Del Shannon	"Sister Isabelle"	-/1970	Co-written by Brian Hyland.
033	Brian Hyland	"Gypsy Woman"	#3-U.S./1970 & #42-U.K./1971	Produced by Del Shannon.
033A	Impressions	"Gypsy Woman"	#20/1961	
034	Brian Hyland	"Lonely Teardrops"	#54/1971	Produced by Del Shannon.
034A	Jackie Wilson	"Lonely Teardrops"	#7/1958	
035	Del Shannon [With Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers]	"Sea Of Love"	#33/1981	
035A	Phil Phillips [With The Twilights]	"Sea Of Love"	#2/1959	
036	Del Shannon [With Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers]	"Drop Down And Get Me"	-/1981	From the album of the same name.
037	Del Shannon	"In My Arms Again"	#56-Country/ 1985	
038	Del Shannon	"Crime Story"	-/1986	<i>Runaway</i> – re-written and used for the <i>NBC-TV Crime Story</i> series. This is the long, unedited version
038A	Del Shannon	"Crime Story"	-/1986	Actual broadcast version.
039	Smithereens [With Del Shannon]	"The World We Know"	#60-Albums/ 1988	From <i>Green Thoughts</i> .
040	Del Shannon [With Jeff Lynne & Tom Petty]	"Walk Away"	-/1991	The A-side of Del Shannon's last 45. This cut was finished after Del Shannon committed suicide in 1990, just before he was slated to replace the late Roy Orbison in the Traveling Wilburys (with Jeff Lynne, Bob Dylan, George Harrison, and Tom Petty); and it appeared on the album, <i>Rock On!</i> , released only in the U.K.
	Runaway - Salute			
041	Lawrence Welk	"Runaway"	#56/1962	Rare.
041A	Dawn [Featuring Tony Orlando]	"Runaway"/"Happy Together"	#79/1972	

041B	Rhodes Kids	"Runaway"	#107/1975	Rare.
041C	Charlie Kulis	"Runaway"	#46/1975	
041D	Bonnie Raitt	"Runaway"	#57/1977	Michael McDonald – backup vocal. Her first charted hit single.
041E	Navel Felts	"Runaway"	#30-C&W/1978	Rare.
041F	Luis Cardenas	"Runaway"	#83/1986	
040G	Traveling Wilburys	"Runaway"	–/2007	From <i>Traveling Wilburys Volume 3 - 2007 Remastered Edition</i> . After Roy Orbison's death, Del Shannon was rumored to be his replacement. Original album – #11-Albums/1990.
040H	Del Shannon	"Runaway"	–/1973	From the <i>Live In England</i> LP.
	Runaway – Song References			
042	Barenaked Ladies	"When You Dream"	#3-Albums/1998	"...Do you hear Del Shannon's Runaway playing on transistor radio waves..." From <i>Stunt</i> .
043	Genesis	"The Cage"	#41-Albums/ 1974	References <i>Runaway</i> . From <i>The Lamb Lies Down On Broadway</i> .
044	Scandal [Featuring Patty Smythe]	"Goodbye To You"	#65/1982	Replicates the musitron solo from <i>Runaway</i> for its own instrumental break.
045	Echo & The Bunnymen	"Over The Wall"	#194-Albums/ 1984	Ian McCulloch sings some of <i>Runaway</i> , ad-libbing a bit, while Will Sergeant plays the vocal line on guitar. From <i>Heaven Up Here</i> .
046	Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers	"Runnin' Down A Dream"	#23/1989	"...Me and Del were singing little <i>Runaway</i> ..."
047	Tom Cruise	"Runaway" [Censored]	–/1989	From the film, <i>Born On The Fourth Of July</i> .
048	Stone Coyotes	"My Little Runaway"	–/1999	Mentions both Del Shannon and the song <i>Runaway</i> . From the <i>Church Of The Falling Rain</i> CD.
049	Aly & A J	"Potential Breakup Song"	#15-Albums/ 2007	Modeled after <i>Runaway</i> . From <i>Insomniac</i> .
050	Conservative Kooks	"Voter's Remorse"	–/2009	Uses <i>Runaway</i> melody.
051	Afroman	"One Hit Wonder"	–/2014	Uses <i>Runaway</i> melody. His editorial on his career status with his one hit – <i>I Got High</i> (#13/2001).
	Selected Album Cuts & Random Singles			
052	Del Shannon	"Misery"	–/1961	A <i>Runaway</i> sound-alike from his first album, <i>Runaway</i> .
053	Del Shannon	"Jody"	–/1961	B-Side of <i>Runaway</i> .
054	Del Shannon	"Don't Gild The Lilly Lilly"	–/1961	B-side of <i>Hats Off Larry</i> .
055	Del Shannon	"Kelly"	–/1962	B-side of <i>Two Kinds Of Teardrops</i> .
055A	Del Shannon	"Kelly (Live)"	–/1973	From <i>Live In England</i> .
056	Del Shannon	"Show Me"	–/1966	Obscure single.
057	Del Shannon	"Hey! Little Star"	–/1966	The only "original" cut from <i>This Is My Bag</i> – an album of remakes of other artists' hits.
058	Del Shannon	"Cut And Come Along"	–/1967	Produced by Andrew Loog Oldham (best known for his production work with the Rolling Stones – for the never-released album <i>Home And Away</i>).

059	Del Shannon	"Friendly With You"	-/1967	Produced by Andrew Loog Oldham .From <i>Home And Away</i> . An imitation of the Beach Boys – <i>Pet Sounds</i> .
060	Del Shannon	"Thinkin' It Over"	-/1968	Another obscure single from <i>The Further Adventures Of Charles Westover</i> .
061	Del Shannon	"Led Along"	-/1967	Produced by Andrew Loog Oldham. From <i>Home And Away</i> .
062	Del Shannon	"Gemini"	-/1968	Obscure single from <i>The Further Adventures Of Charles Westover</i> (Del Shannon's real name)
063	Del Shannon	"Coopersville Yodel"	-/1973	Coopersville, Michigan was Del Shannon's home town; From <i>Live In England</i> and B-side of <i>Kelly (Live)</i> .
064	Del Shannon	"The Answer To Everything"	-/1973	Written for Del Shannon by legendary composers, Hal David & Burt Bacharach – from <i>Live In England</i> .
065	Del Shannon	"Distant Ghost"	-/1974	Produced by Jeff Lynne with backing by Lynne and most of the Electric Light Orchestra – Australia release only.
066	Del Shannon	"Deadly Game"	-/1974	Produced by Jeff Lynne with backing by Lynne and most of the Electric Light Orchestra – Australia release only.
067	Del Shannon	"And The Music Plays On"	-/1974	Produced by Dave Edmunds.
068	Del Shannon	"Tell Her No"	-/1975	
068A	Del Shannon	"Tell Her No"	#6/1965	
069	Del Shannon	"Cry Baby Cry"	-/1975	Produced by Jeff Lynne.
070	Del Shannon	"Cheap Love"	-/1983	
071	Del Shannon	"Something To Believe In"	-/1984	With various members of the Divinyls. From the Australian film, <i>Street Hero</i> .
072	Del Shannon	"What Are You Gonna Do With That Beautiful Body"	-/1984	Obscure 45 rpm single as Del Shannon tried out the "Nashville sound."
073	Del Shannon	"Hot Love"	-/1991	Produced by Jeff Lynne – from the posthumous album <i>Rock On</i> .
074	Del Shannon	"Who Left Who?"	-/1991	Produced by Jeff Lynne – from the posthumous album <i>Rock On</i> .
075	Del Shannon	"Calling Out My Name"	-/1991	Produced by Jeff Lynne – from the posthumous album <i>Rock On</i> .
076	Del Shannon [With The Royaltones]	"Pepsi Spot"	-/1966	