

Louie Louie

"**Louie Louie**" is a [rhythm and blues](#) song written by [Richard Berry](#) in 1955 and best known for the 1963 hit version by The Kingsmen. It is a rock standard. "Louie Louie" tells, in simple verse-chorus form, the first-person story of a Jamaican sailor returning to the island to see his lady love.

The Kingsmen's cover recording was the subject of an [FBI](#) investigation about the supposed but nonexistent obscenity of the lyrics, an investigation that ended without prosecution. Ironically, the recording notably includes the drummer yelling "Fuck!" after dropping his drumstick at the 0:54 mark.

While the Kingsmen's version did not top the *Billboard* chart, it did reach #1 on *Cashbox* for two weeks, and it was the last #1 before [Beatlemania](#) hit the United States with "[I Want to Hold Your Hand](#)". The Kingsmen's version of "Louie Louie" is considered the epitome of [garage rock](#) and is often considered one of the greatest rock songs of all time.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>March ör Die</i> • <i>Bastards</i> • <i>Sacrifice</i> • <i>Overnight Sensation</i> • <i>Snake Bite Love</i> • <i>We Are Motörhead</i> • <i>Hammered</i> • <i>Inferno</i> • <i>Kiss of Death</i> • <i>Motörizer</i> • <i>The Wörld Is Yours</i> • <i>Aftershock</i> • <i>Bad Magic</i>
EPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Golden Years</i> • <i>Beer Drinkers and Hell Raisers</i> • <i>St. Valentine's Day Massacre</i> • <i>Stand by Your Man</i> • <i>'92 Tour EP</i>
Live albums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No Sleep 'til Hammersmith</i> • <i>What's Words Worth?</i> • <i>Nö Sleep at All</i> • <i>Live at Brixton '87</i> • <i>Everything Louder than Everyone Else</i> • <i>25 & Alive: Live at Brixton Academy</i> • <i>BBC Live & In-Session</i> • <i>Better Motörhead than Dead: Live at Hammersmith</i> • <i>The Wörld Is Ours (Vol. 1 / Vol. 2)</i> • <i>Clean Your Clock</i>
Compilations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No Remorse</i> • <i>All the Aces</i> • <i>The Best of Motörhead</i> • <i>Protect the Innocent</i> • <i>Deaf Forever: The Best of Motörhead</i> • <i>The Best Of</i> • <i>Over the Top: The Rarities</i> • <i>Tear Ya Down: The Rarities</i> • <i>Hellraiser: Best of the Epic Years</i> • <i>The Essential Motörhead</i> • <i>Under Cöver</i>
Singles	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Leaving Here" • "Motorhead" • "Louie Louie" • "Overkill" • "No Class" • "Bomber" • "Ace of Spades" • "Iron Fist" • "I Got Mine" • "Shine" • "Killed by Death" • "Deaf Forever" • "Eat the Rich" • "Ace of Spades (live)" • "The One to Sing the Blues" • "Hellraiser" • "Don't Let Daddy Kiss Me" • "Born to Raise Hell"
Box sets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Stone Deaf Forever!</i>
Videos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Birthday Party • Deaf Not Blind • Motörhead Live: Everything Lōuder than Everything Else • 25 & Alive Boneshaker • The Best of Motörhead • Classic Albums: Motörhead – Ace of Spades • Stage Fright • The Wörld Is Ours (Vol. 1 / Vol. 2) • Clean Your Clock
Tours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metal for Muthas Tour • No Remorse Tour • Orgasmatron Tour • Operation Rock & Roll • Metal Masters Tour • The Wörld Is Yours Tour • Mayhem Festival 2012 • Kings of the Road Tour • Aftershock Tour • 40th Anniversary Tour
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discography

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• v• t• e	Black Flag
•	Greg Ginn
•	Mike Vallely
•	Isaias Gil
•	Joseph Noval
•	Keith Morris
•	Chuck Dukowski
•	Ron Reyes
•	Raymond Pettibon
•	Spot
•	Robo
•	Dez Cadena
•	Henry Rollins
•	Chuck Biscuits
•	Bill Stevenson
•	Kira Roessler
•	Dave Klein
•	Tyler Smith
Studio albums	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Damaged• My War• Family Man• Slip It In• Loose Nut• In My Head

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What The...
Live albums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live '84 • Who's Got the 10½? • Live at the On Broadway 1982
Compilation albums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everything Went Black • The First Four Years • Wasted...Again
EPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nervous Breakdown • Jealous Again • Six Pack • TV Party • The Process of Weeding Out • Minuteflag • Annihilate This Week • I Can See You
Singles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Louie Louie"
Demo album	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Demos
Associated acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redd Kross • Circle Jerks • State of Alert • Descendents • DC3 • SWA • Gone • October Faction • Dos • Rollins Band • Minutemen • Misfits • The Nig-Heist • Off! • The Chuck Dukowski Sextet
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- [Gimmie Gimmie Gimmie: Reinterpreting Black Flag](#)

Barry White

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Studio albums

- [I've Got So Much to Give](#) (1973)
- [Stone Gon'](#) (1973)
- [Can't Get Enough](#) (1974)
- [Just Another Way to Say I Love You](#) (1975)
- [Let the Music Play](#) (1976)
- [Is This Whatcha Wont?](#) (1976)
- [Barry White Sings for Someone You Love](#) (1977)
- [The Man](#) (1978)
- [I Love to Sing the Songs I Sing](#) (1979)
- [The Message Is Love](#) (1979)
- [Sheet Music](#) (1980)
- [Barry & Glodean](#) (1981)
- [Beware!](#) (1981)
- [Change](#) (1982)
- [Dedicated](#) (1983)
- [The Right Night & Barry White](#) (1987)
- [The Man Is Back!](#) (1989)
- [Put Me in Your Mix](#) (1991)
- [The Icon Is Love](#) (1994)
- [Staying Power](#) (1999)

Compilations

- [Barry White's Greatest Hits](#) (1975)
- [The Collection](#) (1988)
- [All-Time Greatest Hits](#) (1994)
- [The Ultimate Collection](#) (2000)
- [White Gold: The Very Best of Barry White](#) (2005)

Singles

- ["In the Ghetto"](#)
- ["I'm Gonna Love You Just a Little More Baby"](#)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "I've Got So Much to Give" • "Never, Never Gonna Give Ya Up" • "Can't Get Enough of Your Love, Babe" • "You're the First, the Last, My Everything" • "What Am I Gonna Do with You" • "You See the Trouble with Me" • "It's Ecstasy When You Lay Down Next to Me" • "Just the Way You Are" • "It's Only Love Doing Its Thing" • "Louie Louie" • "Practice What You Preach" • "The Longer We Make Love" (with Lisa Stansfield & Chaka Khan)
Featured singles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Secret Garden (Sweet Seduction Suite)" (with Quincy Jones, Al B. Sure!, James Ingram, & El DeBarge) • "Slow Jams" (with Quincy Jones, Babyface, Tamia, & Portrait) • "In Your Wildest Dreams" (with Tina Turner)
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Studio albums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Boys Light Up • Sirocco • Sons of Beaches 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Between a Rock and a Hard Place</i>
EPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Semantics</i>
Live	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Phalanx</i> • <i>The Final Wave</i>
Compilations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Crawl File</i> • <i>Lost & Found</i> • <i>More Wharf: Their Greatest Hits</i> • <i>The Definitive Collection</i> • <i>The Greatest Hits</i> • <i>Reckless: 1979-1995</i>
Singles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Beautiful People" • "The Boys Light Up" • "Downhearted" • "Things Don't Seem" • "Errol" • "Oh No Not You Again" • "Shut Down" • "Daughters of the Northern Coast" • "Runaway Girls" • "Santa Claus is Back in Town" • "Reckless (Don't Be So)" • "Louie Louie" • "Unpublished Critics" • "Two Can Play" • "If This is Love" • "Trouble Spot Rock" • "Two Hearts"
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