



Long Train Runnin'

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"**Long Train Runnin'**" (or "**Long Train Running**") is a song recorded by The Doobie Brothers and written by band member Tom Johnston. It was included on the band's 1973 album *The Captain and Me* and released as a single, becoming a top 10 hit on the US *Billboard* Hot 100, peaking at number 8.

"Long Train Runnin'"	
	Song
B-side	"Without You"

It was covered by Italian band Traks in 1982 and then by English girl group Bananarama in 1991. In 1993 the Doobie Brothers version was remixed and charted again in several countries, including reaching number 7 in the UK Singles Chart.

The song is sometimes titled "Long Train Runnin' (Without Love)" due to the words "without love" being sung frequently during the song. The harmonica solo is played by lead vocalist Tom Johnston.

Song's origin

The tune evolved from an untitled and mostly ad-libbed jam that the Doobies developed onstage years before it was finally recorded. Its working title, according to Johnston, was "Rosie Pig Moseley" and later "Osborn". "I didn't want to cut it," Johnston later confessed. "...I just considered it a bar song without a lot of merit. Teddy [Templeman], on the other hand, thought it had some." Templeman convinced Johnston to write words to the song.

Johnston performed the lead vocal and the rhythmic guitar strumming that propels the song.

Charts

Original release

Chart (1973)	Peak position
Australia (<u>Kent Music Report</u>) ^[1]	58
Canada Adult Contemporary (<i>RPM</i>) ^[2]	20
Canada Top Singles (<i>RPM</i>) ^[3]	8
Invalid chart entered Germany2	64
Italy (FIMI) ^[4]	22
Netherlands (Dutch Top 40) ^[5]	12
Netherlands (Single Top 100) ^[6]	10
South Africa (<u>Springbok Radio</u>) ^[7]	11
US <i>Billboard</i> Hot 100 ^[8]	8

Remixes

Chart (1993–1994)	Peak position
Australia (ARIA Charts) ^{[9][10]}	67
Belgium (<u>Ultratop 50 Flanders</u>) ^[11]	32
Ireland (<u>IRMA</u>) ^[12]	14
<u>UK Singles (OCC)</u> ^[13]	7

Other reissues

Chart (2011)	Peak position
France (<u>SNEP</u>) ^[14]	91
Chart (2013)	Peak position
France (<u>SNEP</u>) ^[14]	104

Cover versions

Traks version

In 1982, Italian band Traks covered the song. This version charted in France and in Germany, where it peaked at no. 62 and no. 18, respectively.

"Long Train Runnin"	
Song	
<u>B-side</u>	"Drums Power"

Track listing

7" single Polydor 2040 365

- "Long Train Runnin" (short version) – 3:30

2. "Drums Power" – 4:27

Charts

Chart (1982)	Peak position
France (IFOP) ^[15]	62
Invalid chart entered Germany2	18

Bananarama version

Bananarama's version appeared on their fifth studio album *Pop Life* in 1991^[16] and was released as the album's third single in the UK. The group discovered the song when they were browsing through the record collection of Youth, producer of the *Pop Life* album. They needed one more song recorded to complete *Pop Life* and decided to go with a cover version.

"Long Train Runnin'"	
Song	
B-side	"Outta Sight"

Music video

Bananarama's music video features them dressed in black Spanish dresses eating at a decadent feast and performing the song on a large bed in a Spanish castle. Bananarama's then-manager Hilary Shaw appears on the feast scene.

Charts

Chart (1991)	Peak position
Australia (ARIA Charts) ^[17]	179
Belgium (Ultratop 50 Flanders) ^[18]	47
France (SNEP) ^[19]	72
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Ireland (IRMA) ^[12]	18
Italy (FIMI) ^[20]	33
UK Singles (OCC) ^[21]	30

Remixes

UK CD single NANCD 24

1. "Long Train Running" (radio version) – 3:31

Remixed by Mark 'Spike' Stent

2. "Long Train Running" (Alma De Noche Mix) – 6:40

Remixed by Mark 'Spike' Stent

3. "Long Train Running" (Flamenco CD Mix) – 4:57
4. "Outta Sight" – 4:30

CD 1 single

1. "Long Train Running" (Alma De Noche Mix) – 6:40

Remixed by Mark 'Spike' Stent

2. "Long Train Running" (radio version) – 3:31
3. "Long Train Running" (Pacha Mix) – 4:40

Remixed by Youth

4. "Outta Sight" - 4:30

CD promo single

1. "Long Train Running" (Alma De Noche Mix) – 6:40

Remixed by Mark 'Spike' Stent

2. "Long Train Running" (The Romany Dance Mix) – 5:13

Remixed by Mark 'Spike' Stent

3. "Outta Sight" – 4:30

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