

= You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home =

" You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " is a country pop song written for the 2009 film *Hannah Montana : The Movie* . The song is performed by Hannah Montana , a character Miley Cyrus portrays in the film . A karaoke version of the song is available in the soundtrack 's karaoke series . The song is musically country pop and pop rock . Lyrically , the track is about staying grounded and going back to one 's roots .

The song received critical success for its use in the film . " You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " was met with average @-@ to @-@ low commercial outcomes for Cyrus in several countries , compared to those of her previous efforts as Montana . It reached its highest international peak in the Canadian Hot 100 , at number thirty @-@ six . The song received a music video to coincide with the home release of *Hannah Montana : The Movie* .

= = Development = =

Singer @-@ songwriter Taylor Swift became involved with *Hannah Montana : The Movie* when filmmakers emailed her specifically to request the use of her music in the film . Swift agreed to make a cameo appearance in the film to sing " Crazier " as well as to co @-@ write a song with Boys Like Girls lead singer Martin Johnson . In an interview with MTV , Johnson described working with Swift :

" She 's awesome . She 's one of the most talented songwriters to work with , if not , the best . For such a young girl , she 's so creative and spot @-@ on . She knows the audience , she truly understands the kind of pop music that is from the heart and done in a tasteful way . She knows ways to make things pop and also make you feel it at the same time . We wrote a bunch of songs together and it was a lot of fun . "

" You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " is used as the closing number of *Hannah Montana : The Movie* . In the film , Cyrus performs as popstar Hannah Montana onstage at an outdoor fundraiser to save her hometown 's treasured park from developers . More than 2 @,@ 000 extras were used to film the scene .

= = Composition = =

" You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " , according to Allmusic , embodies the album 's theme of merging country and pop music . It is set in common time with a fast rock tempo of 160 beats per minute . The song is written in the key of E ? major . Cyrus ' vocals span one octave , from B ? 3 to B4 . The song has the following chord progression , E ? 5 ? D5 ? E ? 5 . Like the film , the lyrics discuss importance of one 's roots . Warren Truitt of About.com believed it conveyed " the sentiment that even pop stars find safe haven in their home town " . The first few lyrics of the song 's chorus are almost identical to the opening verse in Hilary Duff 's song *So Yesterday* , which was released in 2003 .

= = Critical reception = =

The song received positive reviews from critics . Simon Weaving of Screenwize.com said the film 's conflicts are " mostly expressed in the simple , sugared lyrics of a series of pop hits that seamlessly find their way into the story ? including ' The Best of Both Worlds ' and ' You ? ll Always Find a Way Back Home ' " . James Plath of Dvdtown.com described the song as being " integrated pretty well into the narrative " . Peter Canavese of Groucho Reviews said " the story makes way for [...] ' You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home ' " , which would attract " the film 's target audience of pre @-@ teen girls " . Warren of Truitt of About.com listed the song as the third best song by Hannah Montana . The song was included on the short list for Best Original Song at the 82nd Academy Awards .

= = Chart performance = =

The song made its debut on the Billboard Hot 100 at number eighty @-@ seven on the week ending April 11 , 2009 . " You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " fell one spot to number eighty @-@ eight in the following week , but on the week ending May 2 , 2009 it reached its peak on the Hot 100 at number eighty @-@ one due to digital downloads that placed it at number fifty @-@ two on Hot Digital Songs . In the Canadian Hot 100 , " You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " debuted at eighty @-@ eight on the week ending April 11 , 2009 and reached its peak at number seventy @-@ six on the week ending May 2 , 2009 .

= = Music video = =

A promotional music video for " You 'll Always Find Your Way Back Home " was filmed in correlation to the Hannah Montana : The Movie soundtrack . The video , part of a series of promotional videos titled The Miley Sessions , was released in March 2009 on Disney.com and features Cyrus singing in a vacant recording studio .

An excerpt from Hannah Montana : The Movie premiered as the song 's music video in August 2009 on Disney Channel to promote the home release of the film . The video begins with Cyrus and her backup dancers atop a stage in a crowded outdoor concert . Cyrus is dressed as Hannah Montana and is wearing a business suit . As Cyrus begins singing , she and the dancers engage in intricate choreography . The video then transitions to a clip from Hannah Montana : The Movie in which Cyrus ' character is getting down from a private airplane . The video continues to alternate between Cyrus performing and more film clips ; scenes include Stewart taking off her Hannah Montana wig and interacting with Travis Body , her love interest in the film , portrayed by actor Lucas Till . Midway through the video , Cyrus and her dancers exit the stage through a back door and instantly enter sporting western clothing with Cyrus in a western teal button up shirt , a checkered red and white table cloth with purple ruffles pettiskirt or a petticoat , and cowboy boots .

= = Charts = =