

= Donde Quiera Que Estés =

" Donde Quiera Que Estés " (English : " Wherever You Are ") is a duet recorded by American Latin pop quintet the Barrio Boyzz and American Tejano singer Selena . Released on the Barrio Boyzz ' album of the same name , " Donde Quiera Que Estés " was written by K. C. Porter , Miguel Flores , Desmond Child , and produced by A.B. Quintanilla III , Domingo Padilla and Bebu Silvetti . The lyrics explore feelings felt after a breakup between first @-@ time lovers who hope that their love will one day return . " Donde Quiera Que Estés " is a dance pop song with influences from hip @-@ hop music .

Before the recording sessions , the Barrio Boyzz and Selena were unaware of each other until EMI Latin acquainted them to record the song . After filming the music video for the song in New York , the Barrio Boyzz and Selena went on a mini @-@ tour throughout Texas and Mexico . The song peaked at number one on the U.S. Billboard Hot Latin Songs chart for six consecutive weeks . It eventually became the sixth most performed Latin song of 1994 in the United States . " Donde Quiera Que Estés " was nominated for Vocal Duo of the Year at the 1994 Tejano Music Awards . The song was a critical success with music journalist favoring its musical composition .

= = Background and production = =

" Donde Quiera Que Estés " was written by American music producers K. C. Porter , Miguel Flores , and Desmond Child for EMI Latin 's project . The record company wanted the Barrio Boyzz and Selena to record the tune , the two were unaware of each other and were acquainted to record the song . Selena 's sister and drummer of Selena y Los Dinos , Suzette Quintanilla said in a 2002 interview that " [the other company] were like " well who is Selena ? " and vice versa " who is the Barrio Boyzz ? " , we weren 't too familiar with them . " Selena flew to New York with her mother Marcella Quintanilla to record and film the song with the Barrio Boyzz . The song was produced by Selena 's brother ? record producer A.B. Quintanilla , American hip @-@ hop producer Domingo Padilla , and Argentine musician and producer Bebu Silvetti . The song was included in the 1993 sophomore album of the same name by the Barrio Boyzz , the album was later certified platinum (Latin field) for shipments of 100 @,@ 000 units in the United States . According to El Salvador (El Mundo) , Jose Behar , then @-@ president of EMI Latin , initially wanted to expand the Barrio Boyzz and Selena 's exposure from two different regions of the United States where they were relatively unknown .

On March 31 , 1995 , Selena was shot and killed by Yolanda Saldívar , her friend and former manager of the singer 's Selena Etc. boutiques . At the time of her death , Selena was working on a crossover album that marketed her as an American solo pop artist . The Barrio Boyzz were asked to re @-@ record the song into a bilingual duet with Selena entitled " Wherever You Are " . The song was added to the track listing of Dreaming of You (1995) , which was later certified 35 x platinum (Latin field) for shipments of 3 @.@ 5 million units in the United States .

= = Composition and chart history = =

" Donde Quiera Que Estés " is a Spanish @-@ language dance pop song with influences of hip @-@ hop music . It is performed in a moderate groove with a tempo of 90 beats per minute . Both the Spanish and English versions are performed in E minor and the musical instruments used in the recording are the piano and drums . The song makes use of scat singing , which were absent from the Spanish version . The lyrics explored feelings of a couples ending relationship , though both hope that their love will soon return .

The song was released onto U.S. radios on 22 January 1994 and debuted at number 20 on the U.S. Billboard Hot Latin Songs chart on the week ending 5 February 1994 . The song jumped to number six in the second week and to number three on the following week . John Lannert of Billboard called " Donde Quiera Que Estés " a " fast @-@ climbing " song and predicted it ? along with Los Fugitivos ' song " La Loca " ? to have outperform Ana Gabriel 's chart topper " Luna " in the

following week . The song fell to number four on the week ending 26 February 1994 , it reclaimed the third position the following week for two consecutive weeks . On 26 March 1994 , " Donde Quiera Que Estés " peaked at number one on the chart and remained atop the chart for six consecutive weeks . This gave the Barrio Boyzz their second consecutive number one song , with their first being " Cerca de Ti " which peaked at number one on the week ending 18 December 1993 . " Donde Quiera Que Estés " provided Selena her first number one song in two years , her first number one was " Buenos Amigos " with Alvaro Torres , which peaked at number one on 6 June 1992 . " Donde Quiera Que Estés " knocked Gloria Estefan 's " Mi Buen Amor " , which was logged atop the chart for two consecutive weeks .

In its fourth week at number one , " Donde Quiera Que Estés " scored a " commanding point bulge " and its score at the time didn 't seem to be diminishing . In its fifth week , Lannert pointed out that La Mafia 's " Vida " song was vastly approaching the number one spot , however , he predicted that the song should remain at number one for one more week before being dethroned .

= = Critical reception and legacy = =

The song was nominated for Vocal Duo of the Year at the 1994 Tejano Music Awards , where the Barrio Boyzz and Selena performed the track . John Lannert of Billboard called " Donde Quiera Que Estés " a " pop / dance monster " during its reign on the top of Latin charts in 1994 . After Selena 's death , Lannert wrote a retrospective article on the singer for Billboard released on 10 June 1995 , he called " Donde Quiera Que Estés " a " pop duet smash " . After Selena was inducted into the Billboard Latin Music Hall of Fame on that same issue , Lannert allude the song as being a " rhythmic pop number " . On his album review of Dreaming of You , Paul Verna of Billboard called the track a " smash collaboration " . Marco Torres wrote in the Houston Press that " Donde Quiera Que Estés " is " probably the best music video of all time " . He further wrote that Selena " showcases her pop @-@ princess qualities by teaming up with New York City Latino pop group [the] Barrio Boyzz " . Torres also states that " this song about first loves is the perfect balance of harmony , sultry whispers and Selena 's ability to turn an otherwise mediocre song into a spectacular hit . " The Argus @-@ Press believed that " Donde Quiera Que Estés " and Selena 's subsequent single " Amor Prohibido " , were added on Dreaming of You to " show how her style grew . " Reviewing " Wherever You Are " , Howard Cohen and Fernando Gonzalez of The Day , called the track a hip @-@ hop number .

Salsa singers Isidro Infante and La Elite covered the song for the tribute album Familia RMM Recordando a Selena (1996) . For the live televised tribute concert Selena ¡ VIVE ! in April 2005 , Aleks Syntek and Fey performed and recorded the song . It was later made available for the album of the concert , released on 10 May 2005 . Syntek later re @-@ released the song for his compilation album 3 Décadas de Duetos (2012) . In March 2010 , the music video for " Donde Queira Que Estés " and other Selena music videos formed part of a tribute to mark the fifteenth anniversary of the singer 's death . It was broadcast to 42 million homes nationwide on Music Choice On Demand in the United States for a limited time .

= = Charts = =

= = = Weekly charts = = =

= = Personnel = =

Music video

Laurice Bell ? director

Jose Behar (EMI Latin) ? producer

Desmond Charles (Tango Productions) ? producer

Donde Quiera Que Estés
Selena ? vocals
the Barrio Boyzz ? vocals , scats
Joe Ojeda ? piano
Chris Pérez ? electric guitar
Suzette Quintanilla ? drums
A.B. Quintanilla ? producer
Domingo Padilla ? producer
Bebu Silveti ? producer
K. C. Porter ? composer
Miguel Flores ? composer
Desmond Child ? composer
Lisette Lorenzo ? art direction