

= Lucy Doesn 't Love You =

" Lucy Doesn 't Love You " is a song recorded by American indie rock band Ivy . It was released as the lead single from their third studio album , Long Distance ( 2000 ) . It was issued exclusively in Japan in mid @-@ 2000 by EastWest Japan , whereas the US lead singles were " Disappointed " and " Edge of the Ocean " , both released a year later by Unfiltered Records . The track was written by Dominique Durand , Adam Schlesinger and Andy Chase , while production was handled by the latter two .

The single received positive reviews from music critics , who noted its simplistic sound and production . Similar to Ivy 's previous material , " Lucy Doesn 't Love You " is an indie pop and indie rock song . It had a strong commercial performance in Japan , but was unsuccessful elsewhere . A promotional music video was filmed for the song in 2000 and displayed Durand singing at a nightclub with several background dancers .

= = Background and recording = =

After being dropped from Epic Records shortly after the reissued edition of Apartment Life ( 1997 ) , Ivy began recording new material for their upcoming studio album . However , the recording process halted after a fire closed down the New York City studio where they regularly recorded . While writing songs for Long Distance , Andy Chase stated that they tried writing " more commercial " material for the album , in hopes that it would " mean the difference between making our next album or not " .

Shortly after the studio fire , Schlesinger and Chase discussed trying out new genres for the album , incorporating influences from different types of music . Schlesinger stated : " The first songs [ we ] recorded were jangly and simple and straight @-@ ahead . We started gravitating toward the groovier , slightly more melancholy stuff . It works well with Dominique 's voice " . However , while tracks like " Edge of the Ocean " experimented with new music like trip hop , " Lucy Doesn 't Love You " reflected Ivy 's previous material .

= = Composition and release = =

Musically , " Lucy Doesn 't Love You " is an indie pop / indie rock song with a " sassy brass and lifting melody " . An electric guitar was also used during production to create an " atmospheric " mood . A reviewer from CMJ New Music Monthly found " the addition of horns a comfortable bounce " in the track . A CD single of " Lucy Doesn 't Love You " was released exclusively in Japan in mid @-@ 2000 and included the B @-@ side " Blame It on Yourself " . A promotional CD was also issued , using the same format as the CD single , but including the bonus track " Digging Your Scene " .

= = Critical reception = =

After its release , " Lucy Doesn 't Love You " received favorable reviews from music critics . A critic from E ! Online declared the track a " summer anthem " and predicted that the release would increase Ivy 's popularity . Michael Padletta , writing for Billboard , praised the " effervescent " track for " effortlessly manag [ ing ] to merge guitar leanings for a more rhythmic palette " . In a more mixed review , Stephen Thomas Erlewine of AllMusic stated that the production " suggest [ s ] a more satisfying song than it delivers " .

= = Music video and promotion = =

A music video for the single was filmed and released in 2000 . Filmed inside a nightclub , the video begins with Durand entering the stage while simultaneous images of the band using instruments appear . Durand then stands in front of a microphone , preparing for an upcoming verse . Various

shots of an audience , background dancers and singers , and trumpet performers are also shown . After the second chorus , the clip focuses on Durand , who is now mouthing some of the words of the song ; the final chorus resumes the simultaneous images setup .

To further promote the song , " Lucy Doesn 't Love You " was featured in the movie I 'm With Lucy . Another song from Long Distance , " One More Last Kiss " , was also featured in the same film .

= = Track listings and formats = =

= = Credits and personnel = =

Credits and personnel adapted from Long Distance liner notes and Andy Chase 's discography .

Recording

Recorded at Stratosphere Sound , New York City and Sony Music Studios , New York City

Personnel

= = Release history = =