

= The Best of Both Worlds (song) =

" The Best of Both Worlds " is a pop rock song performed by American singer & songwriter and actress Miley Cyrus , performing as Hannah Montana & the alter ego of Miley Stewart & a character she played on the Disney Channel television series Hannah Montana . It was released as the lead single from the Hannah Montana soundtrack album on March 18 , 2006 . " The Best of Both Worlds " is the theme song for the television series ; in the series ' third season , the 2009 Movie Mix is used as the theme . A live version is available on Hannah Montana & Miley Cyrus : Best of Both Worlds Concert (2008) , a karaoke version is included in the soundtrack 's karaoke series (2008) , and the 2009 Movie Mix is featured on Hannah Montana : The Movie soundtrack (2009) . The song has elements of bubblegum pop and pop rock . Lyrically , it is a showcase of the double life lived by the series ' protagonist Miley Stewart .

" The Best of Both Worlds " is considered to be one of Cyrus ' signature songs , introducing her to the music industry . The song received some critical praise , noting that the song was written well , but the concept was " weird " . " The Best of Both Worlds " reached number ninety @-@ two on the Billboard Hot 100 , making the song only one of two television themes of the decade (the other being Leave It All to Me by Miranda Cosgrove) to chart on the Hot 100 , and achieved average commercial success internationally . The song reached its highest international chart peak position in the Irish Singles Chart , at number seventeen . A promotional music video for the song was taken from a recording of a concert performance . Cyrus promoted the song by performing it in several venues , including during the opening act for the Cheetah Girls ' The Party 's Just Begun Tour and as the closing number on her own first headlining concert tour of the same name . Cyrus ' performances of the song on the Best of Both Worlds Tour were as herself , but when she performed the song on television , she did so in character as Hannah Montana .

= = Background = =

" The Best of Both Worlds " is a song that uses out of beat electric guitars , upbeat synths and backing vocals ' . Genre influences come from dance , rock and country music . It is set in common time with a moderately fast tempo of 130 beats per minute . The song is written in the key of C major . Cyrus ' vocals spans from A3 to D5 . The song has the following chord progression , C5 ? G5 ? D5 ? F5 .

The song was written by Matthew Gerrard and Robbie Nevil . The duo wrote three other songs on the Hannah Montana soundtrack and continue writing songs for the franchise , including " Nobody 's Perfect " and " Ice Cream Freeze (Let 's Chill) . " Lyrically , the song is one of the three (" Just Like You " and " The Other Side of Me ") that explicitly allude to Stewart 's double life as Montana : regular adolescent that moved from Nashville , Tennessee to Malibu , California by day and pop star by night . In the song , Cyrus sings about the privileges and advantages that are faced in leading in two lives with references to Orlando Bloom , concerts , friendship and film premieres .

= = Critical reception = =

The song received generally positive reviews from critics . Heather Phares of Allmusic described the song as having " sharper @-@ than @-@ average songwriting " and one of the best tracks from the Hannah Montana soundtrack . Chris Willman of Entertainment Weekly compared the song to the musical styles of Avril Lavigne , Ashlee Simpson and Britney Spears . However , Willman stated that the concept of " The Best of Both Worlds " was " a nice fantasy for Brangelina , but a weird one to push on little girls . "

= = Chart performance = =

The song received mediocre airplay due to it being released to Radio Disney , but not to other mainstream radio stations . The song debuted at number sixty @-@ four on Billboard 's Hot Digital

Songs Chart which led to an appearance on the Billboard Hot 100 for the week ending August 12 , 2006 . It debuted and peaked at number ninety @-@ two on the Hot 100 , and stayed on the chart for two weeks . In the same week of its entry on the Hot 100 , the song charted at number seventy @-@ one on the Pop 100 and dropped from the chart the following week .

" The Best of Both Worlds " reached higher peak chart positions in Europe . For the week ending February 22 , 2007 , the song debuted and peaked at number seventeen in the Irish Singles Chart , and dropped out of the chart the following week . The song debuted and peaked at number forty @-@ three on the UK Singles Chart dated Feb. 24 , 2007 , and spent one week on the chart . It became Cyrus 's highest peaking single in the United Kingdom , when credited as Hannah Montana . In 2008 it charted in the German Singles Chart , debuting at number seventy @-@ one and eventually peaking at number sixty @-@ six . It spent a total of seven weeks on the chart .

= = Live performances = =

Cyrus often dressed as the Hannah Montana character when she performed " The Best of Both Worlds " at concerts and promotional television appearances . At the concert taping to promote the first season of Hannah Montana , Cyrus dressed in boots , jeans , a pink @-@ sequinned blouse , khaki jacket , and blonde wig , to perform " The Best of Both Worlds " and five other songs . She also performed complex choreography and acted out several of the song 's lyrics with the background dancers . This performance premiered on Disney Channel as the promotional video for the song and the television series on March 3 , 2006 . On June 23 , 2006 , Cyrus performed the song at Disney 's Typhoon Lagoon . Cyrus performed the song on twenty dates when she opened for the Cheetah Girls ' 2006 concert tour The Party 's Just Begun Tour . On October 23 , 2006 , she performed it on Good Morning America , and the following day , on Live with Regis and Kelly . The following month she performed it at the 2006 Macy 's Thanksgiving Day Parade .

On March 28 , 2007 , Cyrus appeared as Hannah Montana and performed the song for Hannah Montana : Live in London at Koko . The event was televised on several international Disney Channels . On December 20 , 2007 , Cyrus performed the song as herself on The Oprah Winfrey Show . " The Best of Both Worlds " was later performed as the closing number on Cyrus ' first headlining Best of Both Worlds Tour . She performed the song as herself , wearing an all @-@ pink outfit composed of a tank top , plaid mini @-@ skirt , sneakers , and a jacket . She most recently performed " The Best of Both Worlds : The 2009 Movie Mix " , from the Hannah Montana : The Movie soundtrack , with eight other songs , at the concert taping for the third season of Hannah Montana ; the concert was held on October 10 in Irvine , California at the Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre .

= = Track listings = =

= = Charts = =