

= I Hate Boys =

" I Hate Boys " is a song recorded by American recording artist Christina Aguilera for her sixth studio album , Bionic (2010) . The song was written by Aguilera , Ester Dean , William Tyler , Bill Wellings , J. J. Hunter and Jamal " Polow da Don " Jones , who also handled the production of the track . " I Hate Boys " is a glam rock and pop song , containing elements of urban pop and synthpop . Lyrically , it is a hate @-@ driven song about ridiculing bad boys .

" I Hate Boys " was released as the second and final single from Bionic in New Zealand and Australia . It was serviced to Australian radio on June 28 , 2010 , and released as a digital single in Australia and New Zealand on September 3 . The song received mixed to favorable response from music critics ; some of them called it a " girl anthem " , but others felt it has too adolescent lyrics and called it a " filler " . Upon the release of Bionic , " I Hate Boys " debuted at number 51 on the Gaon International Singles Chart during the week of June 6 , 2010 .

= = Background = =

Initially , " I Hate Boys " was supposed to be produced by Le Tigre . Group member Johanna Fateman wrote about working with Aguilera on their official website :

" ? While the giant sound of her stacked vocals and the pop sheen she lends to the tracks might seem at odds with Le Tigre 's aesthetic roots , it really works . The songs have a lot of elements we 're known for , like a garage guitar sound , schoolyard chants , new wave @-@ y synths , electro beats , and somehow it all sounds crazily right with Christina 's unbelievable voice . "

However , it was later revealed that the song was produced by Polow da Don and that Le Tigre only produced the song " My Girls " . Polow da Don talked about working with Aguilera in a Billboard interview , stating : " There 's two things you need to know about Christina Aguilera : The first is that , as far as her singing goes , she 's a professionally trained animal . And the other is that she knows exactly , absolutely what she wants . "

After " Not Myself Tonight " , the song was released as the second single of the album in Australia and New Zealand . A digital single was released on the iTunes Store on September 3 , 2010 .

= = Composition = =

" I Hate Boys " was written by Aguilera , Jamal Jones , Ester Dean , William Tyler , Bill Wellings and J. J. Hunter , while production was handled by William Tyler & Polow da Don . Don has worked with Aguilera on the previous singles " Not Myself Tonight " and " Woohoo " . " I Hate Boys " contains a sample from the 1973 track " Jungle Juice " , by UK electronic act Elektrik Cokernut from their album Go Moog ! . It is an uptempo glam rock and pop song with elements of synthpop and urban pop , featuring gang chants in the background . Lyrically , " I Hate Boys " is a hate @-@ driven song about ridiculing and insulting all bad boys . It begins with a drum beat similar to Katy Perry 's " I Kissed a Girl " (2008) , according to Idolator 's Becky Bain , which also wrote that " it sounds almost directly inspired by the trash @-@ talk obnoxiousness found in Avril Lavigne 's " Girlfriend . "

= = Critical reception = =

" I Hate Boys " received mixed reviews from music critics . In a positive way , Leslie Simon of MTV Buzzworthy wrote that the track is " a fun , highly synth @-@ pop gum @-@ smacking , girls @-@ night @-@ out rally anthem . " Melinda Newman of HitFix called it a " pure pop infectious silliness . " Daily Star described the song as " a glam @-@ rock stomp with a deceptively simple chorus that will have schoolgirls singing at the top of their lungs . " Mesfin Fekadu from Boston Globe praised the song , writing , " The male @-@ bashing ' I Hate Boys ' has the right mix of energy and sass that Aguilera somewhat lacks throughout the album . " The Scotsman wrote that the song is an " electro glam " that " throwaway fun . " Allison Stewart from The Washington Post referred to it as a " tame , hand @-@ clappy pop song " and compared the track to Gwen Stefani 's songs .

TJ of Neon Limelight gave a mixed review , calling it " sassy " but " would work better for an artist at least a decade younger than Aguilera " , with its " painfully adolescent lyrics " . Becky Bain of Idolator wrote , " It 's one of those pandering songs that will no doubt have young girls singing along , particularly the chorus , but it 's a lazy one that leaves rubs us the wrong way . " Brad Steirn from MuuMuse named it a " filler , including the noisy , childish chant . " Greg Kot of Chicago Tribune commented that " it 's the kind of trite glitter @-@ disco might 've dispensed " , while comparing it to Spice Girls ' songs . Eric Henderson gave to the song a negative review , writing , " Considering ' I Hate Boys ' is closer than I ever thought Christina would ever come to recording a Daphne Aguilera track , it 's ironically also one of many tracks on Bionic that sound tailor @-@ made to accompany the opening credits of Johnny Weir 's forthcoming reality show . "

= = Track listing = =

Digital download

" I Hate Boys " ? 2 : 24

" Not Myself Tonight " (Laidback Luke Radio Edit) ? 3 : 39

= = Credits and personnel = =

Recording locations

Recording ? No Excuses , Los Angeles , California

Vocal recording ? The Red Lips Room , Beverly Hills , California

Personnel

Source :

= = Charts = =

Upon the release of the album Bionic , " I Hate Boys " debuted at number 51 on the Gaon International Downloads Chart on the chart issue of June 6 , 2010 .

= = Release history = =