Justin Timberlake





Justin Timberlake is a household name and has been one of the most well-known artists since his start in 1993. He was born on January 31, 1981 in Memphis, Tennessee. We first got a taste of JT in *The All-New Mickey Mouse Club*, where he performed with castmates including future girlfriend and pop superstar Britney Spears, future tourmate Christina Aguilera, future bandmate JC Chasez, and future movie actors Ryan Gosling and Keri Russell. Then, in the late 1990s, he rose to prominence as one of the lead vocalists in the boy band *NSYNC, which became one of the best-selling boy bands of all time.

During the group's hiatus, he released two solo studio albums featuring fan favorite songs like "Cry Me a River" and "SexyBack." Each album sold over seven million copies worldwide, establishing Timerblake as one of the most commercially successful singers of the decade. From 2007 to 2012, he started to focus on his acting career, putting his music career on hold. He appeared in movies like *Friends with Benefits* and *Runner Runner*. In 2013, Timberlake resumed his music career with his third and fourth albums, exploring neo soul with song structures influenced by old rock. That year, *Time* named him one of the 100 most influential people in the world. He has won 9 Grammy awards and 4 Emmy Awards. His other ventures include record label Tennman Records, fashion label William Rast, and the restaurants Destino and Southern Hospitality.

Justin Timberlake's personal life has been closely examined throughout his career, especially after he started dating Britney Spears in 1999. Their <u>celebrity relationship</u> was a whirlwind romance that ended abruptly in 2002. Shortly after their split, he began dating Cameron Diaz. After much speculation of a celebrity break-up, the couple broke up for good in 2006. In 2007, JT began dating the love of his life Jessica Biel. After an on-again, off-again relationship, the famous couple became engaged in 2011 and married in 2012 at a resort in Italy. On January 31, 2015, Timberlake announced that Biel was pregnant with their first child.