

# The Official Guide To The First 30 Years

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This article is the official guide to the first 30 years of the band's history, from their early days in Liverpool to their worldwide success. It is a must-read for any fan of The Beatles.

## The Early Years

The Beatles were formed in Liverpool in 1960. The original lineup consisted of John Lennon (vocals, guitar), Paul McCartney (vocals, bass), George Harrison (guitar), and Stuart Sutcliffe (bass). Sutcliffe left the band in 1961 and was replaced by Ringo Starr (drums).

The Beatles began their career playing in small clubs in Liverpool. They quickly gained a following, and in 1962 they signed a recording contract

with EMI. Their debut single, "Love Me Do," was released in October 1962 and reached number 17 on the UK Singles Chart.

The Beatles' second single, "Please Please Me," was released in January 1963 and reached number 2 on the UK Singles Chart. It was followed by a string of hit singles, including "From Me to You," "She Loves You," and "I Want to Hold Your Hand." By the end of 1963, The Beatles were the most popular band in the world.

## **The British Invasion**

In February 1964, The Beatles embarked on their first tour of the United States. They were greeted by hysterical fans everywhere they went, and their music quickly became a sensation. The Beatles' popularity in the US helped to spark the British Invasion, a wave of British bands that flooded the American market in the mid-1960s.

The Beatles released a number of hit albums during the British Invasion, including *A Hard Day's Night*, *Beatles for Sale*, and *Help!*. They also starred in two films, *A Hard Day's Night* and *Help!*, which were both huge successes.

## **The Psychedelic Years**

In 1966, The Beatles released the album *Revolver*, which marked a departure from their earlier pop sound. *Revolver* was a more experimental album, and it featured songs such as "Tomorrow Never Knows" and "Eleanor Rigby." The Beatles' next album, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*, was released in 1967 and was a groundbreaking work. *Sgt. Pepper's* was a concept album that featured a wide range of musical styles, and it is considered to be one of the greatest albums of all time.

The Beatles continued to experiment with their music in the late 1960s. They released the albums *The Beatles* (also known as the "White Album") in 1968 and *Abbey Road* in 1969. Both albums were critical and commercial successes, but they also revealed the growing tensions within the band.

## **The Breakup**

The Beatles broke up in 1970. The breakup was caused by a number of factors, including creative differences, financial problems, and personal problems. The Beatles' final album, *Let It Be*, was released in 1970 and was a somber affair. The album featured the song "The Long and Winding Road," which was a fitting end to the band's career.

## **The Legacy**

The Beatles are one of the most influential bands in history. Their music has inspired generations of musicians and has had a profound impact on popular culture. The Beatles' legacy is vast and will continue to endure for many years to come.

## **The First 30 Years: A Timeline**

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## The Beatles: A Discography

\* **1963:***Please Please Me* \* **1963:***With The Beatles* \* **1964:***A Hard Day's Night* \* **1964:***Beatles for Sale* \* **1965:***Help!* \* **1966:***Revolver* \* **1967:***Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* \* **1968:***The Beatles* (also known as the "White Album") \* **1969:***Yellow Submarine* \* **1969:***Abbey Road* \* **1970:***Let It Be*

## The Beatles: A Filmography

\* **1964:***A Hard Day's Night* \* **1965:***Help!* \* **1966:***Yellow Submarine* \* **1968:***Magical Mystery Tour* \* **1970:***Let It Be*

## The Beatles: A Bibliography

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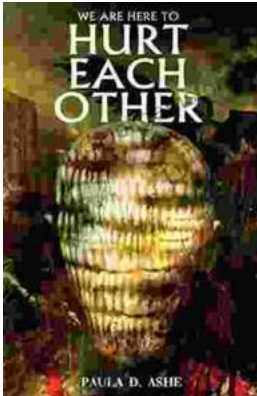
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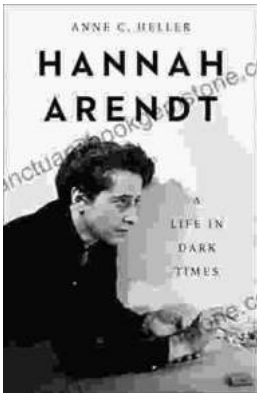
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