

My top ten Def Leppard Songs:

Def Leppard, one of the most iconic bands of the eighties (and notably my favourite), has left a mark on the history of rock with a distinctive sound of hard rock and some touches of pop. Their success is made of a series of hit albums, Hysteria easily being one of their most popular, that have captivated audiences of all ages from around the world. My listography is going highlighting my top ten Def Leppard songs, with some of my favourite sappy love ballads down to the deeper cuts of their discography. Who knows, you might even find a new favourite!

10. Pour Some Sugar on Me, (1987)

Drawn from the bands signature album 'Hysteria', 'Pour Some Sugar on Me' is the embodiment of the pure late eighties glam sound, with an infectious chorus that's impossible not to sing along to and an unforgettable riff by Terror Twins Steve Clark and Phil Collen. [Reaching Number 18 on the UK charts for six weeks](#) making a stealthy comeback to their careers, Sugar solidified Def Leppard's place in rock history.

9. Hello America, (1980)

Debuting their first album 'On Through The Night', 'Hello America' capturing the ambition from the young band just breaking into the mainstream market in America, despite their struggles to take off as a band in Europe. This song is an ode to America, their lyrics expressing their excitement. [Def Leppard debuted 'On Through The Night' in North America in May 1980, supporting the Pat Trevor's Band.](#)

8. Let's Go, (2015)

'Let's Go' stands out as a modern song, paying homage to that original Def Leppard sound presented all throughout 'Hysteria'. 'Let's Go' was released as a single from their self-titled album released in 2015, one of their more recent albums that really captures that eighties spark. The song features all elements that the original Def Leppard fans yearn for: anthemic choruses and the catchy riffs the band are defined by, almost proving that they can create music that relates to the older fans but also captures the attention of newer fans.

7. Long Long way to go, (2002)

Def Leppard wouldn't be the band they are without some sappy ballads, 'Long Long way to go' perfectly fitting into their agenda. It was released as part of their album 'X', released in 2002, giving the feel as though it was a Bryan Adams song, with stripped back vocals and pure emotion. It stands out in Lepp's discography exploring the deep emotions of love and longing.

6. When Love and Hate Collide, (1995)

'When Love and Hate Collide' stands out as one of Def Leppard's most emotionally charged ballads. The lyrics delve into the complications of an intricate love throughout relationships. The arrangement of the song is lush, with Joe Elliott's raw vocals backed up with an accompaniment of strings

complimenting the rest of the band. Departing from their more 'heavier' sound, Leppard have shown their versatility to connect with their audience on a deeper level with this heart-felt ballad.

5. Foolin', (1983)

'Foolin' from Def Leppard's third studio album 'Pyromania' is a dynamic track showing the bands talent and ability to blend acoustic and electric guitars into a track seamlessly, Steve Clark and Phil Collens pure talent shining through. 'Pyromania' was their take-off album, easily becoming fan favourites, 'Foolin' included with its evocative acoustic intro that builds up into an electric charged chorus sang powerfully by Joe Elliott.

4. White Lightning, (1992)

'White Lightning' is a standout track on Def Leppard's 'Adrenalize', their first album without guitarist Steve Clark who tragically passed away in 1991 due to alcohol abuse. The song takes a less radio-friendly feel, delving into deep emotions and more instigative themes, touching on a rocky period during the band's history. The song pays tribute to the late Steve Clark, the song full of powerful guitar solos reflecting the highs and lows the band experienced upon Steve's passing. 'White Lightning' is a truly powerful tribute to Clark, a direct yet heartfelt acknowledgement of the struggles Clark dealt with.

3. Action, (1994)

'Action' is a stellar cover (originally by Sweet), with pounding drums, loud harmonies and an energetic feel makes for a great cover. The song drips with attitude and passion, fitting perfectly into Leppard's discography full of catchy anthems. Released as part of 'Retro Active', an album full of B sides, it feels a bit out of place with the soft acoustics of 'Two Steps Behind' and 'Miss you in a Heartbeat', but nonetheless is a great cover.

2. Switch 625, (1981)

'Switch 625' is known to be an instrumental track from Def Leppard's second studio album 'High N' Dry'. Known for its intricate melodies and dynamic guitar work, 'Switch 625' showcases the mastery of original guitarists Steve Clark and Pete Willis. With the blend of guitar harmonies come together to create a rich sound, followed by an integration of harmonies.

1. Stand up (Kick Love into Motion), (1992)

'Stand Up (Kick Love into Motion)' is a ballad from the heart with Def Leppard's characteristic sound. The instrumentation of this song has weeping guitar solos, in-sync drums from Rick Allen and the band's trademark harmonies, complimenting the whole track wonderfully adding several layers of depth to the song.

