

Throwback: Toni Braxton: Seven Whole Days



Toni Braxton's "Seven Whole Days" is the third single from her 1993 eponymous debut album. L.A. Reid, Babyface, and Daryl Simmons understood how to write for Braxton's wanton contralto that conveyed sensuousness and heatbreak at the same time. "Seven Whole Days" was about the end of a romantic relationship and Braxton's album was getting more popular with each single. Critics and fans immediately praised "Seven Whole Days," but the irony is that Braxton didn't like the song or want to record it. The video featured Braxton singing on a stage with her sisters Traci, Towanda, Trina, and Tamar singing backup for her. The success of Braxton's album garnered three Grammys, two American Music Awards, multiplatinum sales, and top ten status in five countries.

Thirty-one years later, Braxton's album still holds its weight as a classic and the Braxton family are pop culture stars. Braxton released her ninth studio album, *Spell My Name*, in 2020.

Media Questions Of The Week

Dionne Warwick on Mariah Carey and Toni Braxton being icons.

Do you agree with Dionne Warwick's opinion about Brandy, Mary J. Blige, Toni Braxton and Mariah Carey's icon status?

Is [JacQuel Knight](#) , who is the choreographer behind Beyonce's "Single Ladies" video, the first Black man to copyright dance moves?

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Throwback: Toni Braxton - You're Makin' Me High



Toni Braxton's "You're Makin' Me High" led her 1996 album

Secrets away from the dreaded sophomore slump and established her as a legendary voice. Her second album would outdo the great success of her 1993 debut album and carry her voice into the pop realm.Â

Babyface and Bryce Wilson co-wrote “You’re Makin’ Me High” and set the tone for Braxton’s dark contralto to emanate subdued passion for a lover. Braxton was singing about sex without being sleazy and the beat invoked a lot of dancing pleasure for club goers.Â Â

The video starred Braxton alongside actresses Vivica Fox, Tisha Campbell and Erika Alexander hanging out and looking at men. Braxton picks Wilson in the choosing process and he becomes her love interest in the clip.Â “You’re Makin’ Me High” was Braxton’s first number one hit and she received multiple Grammy, Billboard and American Music Awards for *Secrets*. Fans often cite *Secrets* as their favorite release and it is Braxton’s most successful album.Â

In 2018, Braxton’s eighth album, *Sex & Cigarettes* came out on Def Jam Recordings and in 2019 she launched her As Long As I Live tour slated to end in November.Â

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Toni Braxton-Hands Tied

This is from Toni’s new album *Pulse* due May 4th.