

Nilsson Schmilsson

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Nilsson Schmilsson is the seventh album by American singer Harry Nilsson, released by RCA Records in November 1971. It was Nilsson's most commercially successful work, producing three of his best-known songs. Among these was the number 1 hit "Without You", written by Pete Ham and Tom Evans of the group Badfinger. The album was the first of two Nilsson albums recorded in London and produced by Richard Perry.

"Jump into the Fire" and "Coconut", both written by Nilsson, also became hits. The album performed well at the 1973 Grammy Awards, earning a nomination for Album of the Year, while "Without You" won the Grammy for Best Male Pop Vocal Performance. In 2006, *Nilsson Schmilsson* was ranked number 84 on Pitchfork's "Top 100 Albums of the 1970s".^[1]

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Track listing

All tracks written by Harry Nilsson, except where noted.

Side one

No.	Title	Length
1.	"Gotta Get Up"	2:24
2.	"Driving Along"	2:02
3.	"Early in the Morning" (Leo Hickman, Louis Jordan, Dallas Bartley)	2:48
4.	"The Moonbeam Song"	3:18
5.	"Down"	3:24

Side two

No.	Title	Length
6.	"Without You" (Pete Ham, Tom Evans)	3:17
7.	"Coconut"	3:48

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Studio album by Harry Nilsson

Released	November 1971
Recorded	June 1971
Studio	Trident Studios, London
Genre	Rock, pop ^[1]
Length	35:17 54:50 (2004 Reissue)
Label	RCA Victor
Producer	Richard Perry

Harry Nilsson chronology

<i>Aerial</i>	<i>Nilsson</i>	<i>Son of</i>
<i>Pandemonium</i>	<i>Schmilsson</i>	<i>Schmilsson</i>
<i>Ballet</i>	(1971)	(1972)
(1971)		

8. "Let the Good Times Roll" (Shirley Goodman, Leonard Lee)
9. "Jump Into the Fire"
10. "I'll Never Leave You"

Additional tracks (2004 edition)

No.	Title	Length
11.	"Si No Estás Tú (Spanish version of "Without You")"	3:14
12.	"How Can I Be Sure of You"	3:04
13.	"The Moonbeam Song (Demo Version)"	3:30
14.	"Lamaze"	1:44
15.	"Old Forgotten Soldier (Demo Version)"	2:41
16.	"Gotta Get Up (Demo Version)"	2:25
17.	"Interview With Richard Perry (Hidden track)"	2:41

Professional ratings	2:42
	6:54
Review scores	4:11
Source	Rating
AllMusic	★★★★★ ^[1]
<i>Blender</i>	★★★★☆ ^[2]
Robert Christgau	A ^[3]
<i>The Essential Rock Discography</i>	8/10 ^[4]
MusicHound	4/5 ^[5]
<i>NME</i>	6/10 ^[6]
Pitchfork	9.4/10 ^[7]
<i>Rolling Stone</i>	★★★★★ ^[8]
<i>The Rolling Stone Album Guide</i>	★★★★☆ ^[9]
<i>Virgin Encyclopedia of Popular Music</i>	★★★★☆ ^[10]

Personnel

- Harry Nilsson – piano on 1 5 8 10, vocals, Mellotrons on 2 4, organ on 3, harmonica on 8, electric piano on 9
- Jim Gordon – drums on 1 2 5 8 9, percussion on 7 9
- Klaus Voormann – bass on 1 5 6 8, rhythm guitar on 2 9, acoustic guitar on 4
- Chris Spedding – guitar on 1 5 8
- Herbie Flowers – bass on 2 4 7 9
- John Uribe – acoustic guitar on 3 4 6, lead guitar on 3 8 9

Additional personnel

- Henry Krein – accordion on 1
- Richard Perry – percussion on 1, Mellotrons on 2
- Jim Price – trumpet on 1 5, trombone on 1 5, horn arrangements on 1 5
- Jim Keltner – drums on 5 6
- Roger Coolan – organ on 5
- Bobby Keys – saxophone on 5
- Gary Wright – piano on 6, organ on 8
- Paul Buckmaster – string and horn arrangements on 6
- Roger Pope – drums on 7 9
- Caleb Quaye – guitar on 7
- Ian Duck – acoustic guitar on 7
- Jim Webb – piano on 9
- George Tipton – string and horn arrangements on 10
- George Watson - piano on 6
- Paul McCartney - backup vocals on 7

Charts

Album

Year	Chart	Position
1972	<i>Billboard</i> Pop Albums	3

Single

Year	Single	Chart	Position
1972	"Coconut"	Billboard Pop Singles	8
1972	"Jump Into the Fire"	Billboard Pop Singles	27
1972	"Without You"	Billboard Adult Contemporary	1
1972	"Without You"	Billboard Pop Singles	1

Certifications

Organization	Level	Date
RIAA	Gold	March 3, 1972

Awards

Grammy Awards

Year	Nominee/work	Award	Result
1973 Grammy Awards	"Without You"	Grammy Award for Best Male Pop Vocal Performance	Won
	"Without You"	Grammy Award for Record of the Year	Nominated
	"Nilsson Schmilsson"	Grammy Award for Album of the Year	Nominated
	"Nilsson Schmilsson"	Grammy Award for Best Engineered Album, Non-Classical	Nominated

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External links

- *Nilsson Schmilsson* at The Harry Nilsson Web Pages (<http://www.nilssonschmilsson.com/page-nilsson-schmilsson-stereophonic-lp.html>)
- "Nilsoon Schmilsson Review on "Cool Album of the Day" (<http://coolalbumreview.com/?p=15077>)

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