Someone Like You (Van Morrison)

Legendary singer-songwriter Van Morrison grew up listening to artists such as Ray Charles and Solomon Burke, as well as Woody Guthrie, Muddy Waters and Charlie Parker, courtesy of his father's record collection. These artists made a real impact on his work, and much of his music has been influenced by the Celtic tradition, jazz as well as soul music and r&b.

Someone Like You

George Ivan Morrison was born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, on August 31, 1945; his mother was a singer, while his father ardently collected classic American jazz and blues recordings. At 15, he quit school to join the local R&B band The Monarchs, touring military bases throughout Europe before returning home to form his own group, Them.

Van Morrison

By 1967, at the age of 22, he had already composed the standards "Gloria" and "Brown Eyed Girl," which remain two of his best-known songs. But the idiosyncratic and complicated Morrison

was always a one-man gang at heart, and the inevitable launch of his solo career would bring to bear the intensely sad, sublime and inventive chamber pop of 'Astral Weeks,' an instantly legendary album whose luminous power has only increased with age.

Van Morrison

The first half of the 1970s was the most fertile creative period of Morrison's career. From 'Moondance' onward, his records reflected an increasingly celebratory and profoundly mystical outlook spurred on in large part by his marriage to wife Janet Planet and the couple's relocation to California. Moondance became his first million selling album and reached number twenty-nine on the Billboard charts.

Van Morrison

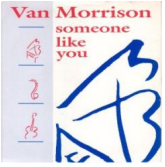
The Van who resurfaced from self-imposed exile emerged unchastened by his mainstream failures and eager to push the envelope further still. The series of frequently ingenious records he made starting in the late ’70s and onto the early ’90s both benefited from his profound grounding in R&B and soul and freed him from them at the same time. His experimentations with synths and atmospherics were every bit the equal of the groundbreaking work being done by Brian Eno and Daniel Lanois. His preoccupations became steadily more spiritual in nature, although the bile of his industry-related frustrations never abated. It all came together on the stunning 1986 release 'No Guru, No Method, No Teacher,' an astoundingly underappreciated album.

Van Morrison

From his earliest days, Van Morrison has channeled the influences of music giants. His music has defied boundaries, offering everything from the swinging soul-jazz of 'Moondance' to the traditional Celtic styles of 'Irish Heartbeat.' In the last few decades, he has collaborated with a range of artists including John Lee Hooker, Mose Allison, and Tom Jones, and dedicated projects to celebrating and re-exploring his blues, jazz, skiffle, and country roots.

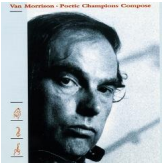
Van Morrison

"Someone Like You" is a popular, romantic ballad recorded on his 1987 album, 'Poetic Champions Compose.' It has become a wedding and movie classic.



Someone Like You, single

'Poetic Champions Compose' is the seventeenth studio album by Van Morrison, released on Mercury. As described by Brian Hinton: *"It is an album which is more than the sum of its parts, exuding an overall sense of calm and optimism."* In 1987 the single "Someone Like You" charted at #28 on the Billboard Adult Contemporary in the U. S.



Poetic Champions Compose, cover

Amongst the major musical titans emerging during the second half of the 20th century, the Irish soul troubadour Van Morrison is perhaps the most underappreciated — a figure every bit the equal of Dylan, Young, and Cohen in terms of achievement and influence — but somehow one also subtly marginalized in the annals of music history.

Someone Like You

Van Morrison - Someone like You

I've been searching a long time For someone exactly like you I've been travelling all around the world Waiting for you to come through. Someone like you makes it All worth while Someone like you keeps Me satisfied someone exactly Like you I've been travellin a hard road Lookin for someone exactly like you I've been carryin my heavy load Waiting for the light to come Shining through. Someone like you makes it All worth while Someone like you keeps Me satisfied. someone exactly Like you. I've been doin some soul searching To find out where you're at I've been up and down the highway In all kinds of foreign lands Someone like you... I've been all around the world Marching to the beat of a different Drum. But just lately I have Realised The best is yet to come. Someone like you...

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