



LIVING IN A GHOST TOWN

Mick Jagger, Keith Richards

THE ROLLING STONES

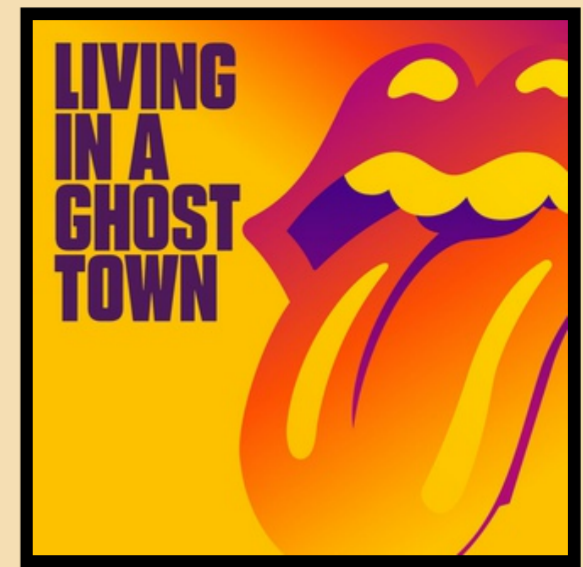
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A standalone track. Chart: #3 (Hot Rock & Alternative Songs). Time - 4:07. Released in U.S.A. April 23, 2020.

Recorded 2019, 2020. Produced by **The Glimmer Twins [Jagger/Richards]** and **Don Was**.
Engineered by **Matt Clifford** and **Krish Sharma**.

This was a track recorded for an album the Stones were working on in 2019. The album was sidetracked by the pandemic. Mick wrote the lyrics in 10 minutes but were later altered to reflect the pandemic. The band felt this track fit in with social distancing and released it as a standalone single. It would be the first release of original material in 8 years and the last release featuring Charlie Watts on drums before his death. -- Larry --



Personnel

Mick Jagger - lead vocals, guitar, harmonica
Keith Richards - guitar, backing vocals
Ron Wood - lead guitar, backing vocals
Charlie Watts - drums
Darryl Jones - bass
Matt Clifford - keyboards, French horn, flugelhorn, sax

Mick Jagger - 2020:etcanada

"It wasn't written for now but it was written about being in a place which was full of life, and then now there's all bereft of life, so to speak. And when I went back to what I'd written originally lyrically, it was all full of plague terms and things like that. I never actually used that, but it was all there. It was very close to the times that we're living through now. But Keith Richards and I both had the idea that we should release it. But I said, 'Well, I've got to rewrite it'. Some of it is not going to work and some of it was a bit weird and a bit too dark. So I slightly rewrote it. I didn't have to rewrite very much, to be honest. It's very much how I originally did it. I was just jamming.

Long time ago. Last original Stones. Yeah, it was so long. And I think one of the problems I personally have with it is that it's suddenly that you want it to be really good. So I don't just want it to be a good album, I want it to be great. You know? Yes, I'm very hard on myself. If I write something or if I write something with Keith Richards or whatever, it's going to be great. It can't just be good."

YOU TUBE STUDIO TRACK OFFICIAL VIDEO

YOU TUBE LYRIC VIDEO

Woah, woah
I'm a ghost
Livin' in a ghost town
I'm a ghost
Livin' in a ghost town
You can come look for me
But I can't be found
You can search for me
I had to go underground
Life was so beautiful
Then we all got locked down
Feel like a ghost
Living in a ghost town, yeah
Once this place was hummin'
And the air was full of drummin'
The sound of cymbals crashin'
Glasses were all smashin'
Trumpets were all screamin'
Saxophones were blarin'
Nobody was carin'
If it's day or not
Woah, woah
I'm a ghost
Livin' in a ghost town
I'm goin' nowhere
Shut up all alone
So much time to lose
Just starin' at my phone
Every night I am dreamin'
That you'll come and creep in my bed
Please let this be over
Not stuck in a world without end
My friend
Woah
Woah, woah
Preachers were all preachin'
Charities beseechin'
Politicians dealin'
Thieves were happy stealin'
Widows were all weepin'
There's no beds for us to sleep in
Always had the feelin'
It will all come tumblin' down
I'm a ghost
Livin' in a ghost town
You can look for me
But I can't be found
Woah
We're all livin' in a ghost town (Woah)
Oh, livin' in a ghost town (Woah)
We were so beautiful (Woah)
I was your man about town (Woah)
Livin' in this ghost town (Woah)
Ain't havin' any fun (Woah)
If I wanna party (Woah)
It's a party of one (Woah, woah)