

HITS OF THE
**BEACH
BOYS**



Background

- The Beach Boys were formed in California in 1961.
- The 5 original members consisted of brothers Brian, Carl and Dennis Wilson; their cousin Mike Love, and their friend Al Jardine.
- Brian Wilson (bottom right in picture) was the main songwriter.



The Music

- The Beach Boy's music was categorised as pop/rock or surf pop.
- The music was recognisable from its close vocal harmonies and it's upbeat and positive style.
- Their music (and particularly their album Pet Sounds) was a big influence on The Beatles and countless other bands.



The Music

- The Beach Boys released 29 albums which are listed below.
 - Surfin' Safari (1962)
 - Surfin' U.S.A. (1963)
 - Surfer Girl (1963)
 - Little Deuce Coupe (1963)
 - Shut Down Volume 2 (1964)
 - All Summer Long (1964)
 - The Beach Boys' Christmas Album (1964)
 - The Beach Boys Today! (1965)
 - Summer Days (And Summer Nights!!) (1965)
 - Beach Boys' Party! (1965)
 - Pet Sounds (1966)
 - Smiley Smile (1967)
 - Wild Honey (1967)
 - Friends (1968)
 - 20/20 (1969)
 - Sunflower (1970)
 - Surf's Up (1971)
 - Carl and the Passions – "So Tough" (1972)
 - Holland (1973)
 - 15 Big Ones (1976)
 - The Beach Boys Love You (1977)
 - M.I.U. Album (1978)
 - L.A. (Light Album) (1979)
 - Keepin' the Summer Alive (1980)
 - The Beach Boys (1985)
 - Still Cruisin' (1989)
 - Summer in Paradise (1992)
 - Stars and Stripes Vol. 1 (1996)
 - That's Why God Made the Radio (2012)

