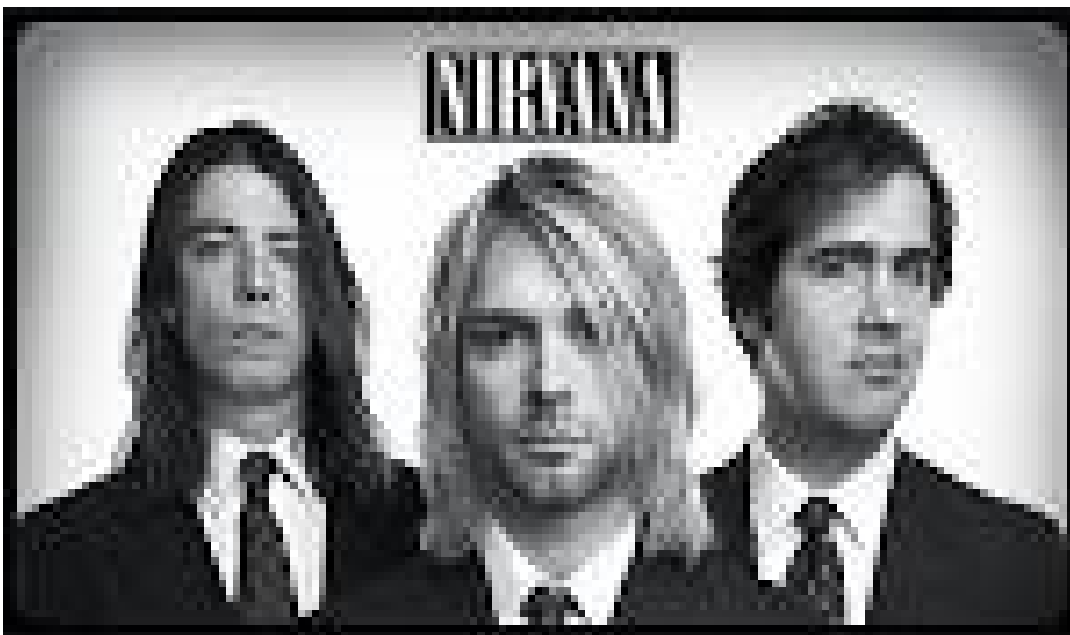


# NIRVANA

Nirvana started composing in 1987 and it was an American rock band formed by singer and guitarist Kurt Cobain and bassist Krist Novoselic. Nirvana went through a succession of drummers, but the most important was Dave Grohl, who joined in 1990. Despite releasing only three full-length studio albums in their seven-year career, Nirvana has come to be regarded as one of the most influential and important alternative bands in history. Though the band dissolved in 1994 after the suicide of Cobain, singer and guitarist, their music maintains a popular following and continues to influence modern rock and roll culture. In the late 1980s, Nirvana became part of the Seattle grunge scene, releasing its first album, *Bleach*, for the independent record label Sub Pop in 1989. They developed a sound that relied on dynamic contrasts, often between quiet verses and loud, heavy choruses. After signing to major label DGC Records, Nirvana found unexpected success with "Smells Like Teen Spirit", the first single from the band's second album *Nevermind* (1991). Nirvana's sudden success widely popularized alternative rock, and Cobain found himself referred to in the media as the "spokesman of a generation", with Nirvana considered the "flagship band" of Generation X.<sup>[4]</sup> Nirvana's third studio album, *In Utero* (1993), released to critical acclaim, featured an abrasive, less mainstream sound and challenged the group's audience.



The most important songs are:

"Smells like teen Spirit"

"Heart Shaped Box" "Aneurysm"

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