

# Run DMC, Aerosmith, and the Song That Changed American Music Forever

In 1986, Run-DMC and Aerosmith released a cover of Aerosmith's hit song "Walk This Way." The song was a huge success, and it helped to break down the barriers between rock and hip-hop. This article tells the story of the song and its impact on American music.



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## The Creation of "Walk This Way"

The original version of "Walk This Way" was written by Aerosmith's Steven Tyler and Joe Perry in 1975. The song was a hit for Aerosmith, and it helped to establish the band as one of the biggest rock bands in the world.

In 1986, Run-DMC, a hip-hop group from Queens, New York, decided to cover "Walk This Way." The group's version of the song was much different than the original. Run-DMC added a rap verse to the song, and they

changed the tempo and the beat. The result was a song that was both unique and catchy.

### **The Impact of "Walk This Way"**

"Walk This Way" was a huge success for Run-DMC. The song reached number four on the Billboard Hot 100 chart, and it helped to introduce hip-hop to a new audience. The song also helped to break down the barriers between rock and hip-hop. Before "Walk This Way," there was very little crossover between the two genres. However, the success of "Walk This Way" showed that rock and hip-hop could be combined to create a successful song.

The impact of "Walk This Way" can still be felt today. The song is still played on radio stations around the world, and it is considered to be one of the most important songs in the history of American music.

### **The Legacy of "Walk This Way"**

"Walk This Way" is a song that has had a lasting impact on American music. The song helped to introduce hip-hop to a new audience, and it helped to break down the barriers between rock and hip-hop. The song is still played on radio stations around the world, and it is considered to be one of the most important songs in the history of American music.

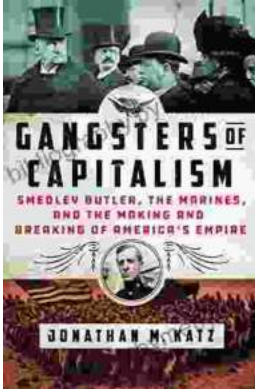
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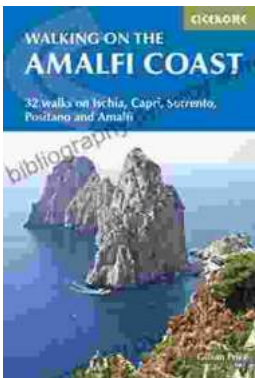
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