

## JERRY AUDLEY BIO



Jerry Audley, a Texas born and raised singer/songwriter has been referred to over the years by fellow musicians and fans as “Mr Honkytonk”, “the man with the golden voice”, “a man’s man” and a “Cowboy’s cowboy”. Jerry earned all these nicknames through his musical talents as well as his love of the equestrian life style. Jerry was raised around ranches in the Texas hill country and South Texas and also became active in the cutting horse industry as an adult.

Jerry has been surrounded by musicians and exposed to music his entire life. Audley’s grandfather played steel guitar alongside Ernest Tubb. His passion for music started when Jerry was just a child singing in church programs and school plays. As a young adult, Jerry sang country music at the Silver Dollar Saloon in Lufkin, Texas which was owned by his uncle. From there, Jerry began a journey into rock music and relocated to Los Angeles to pursue that dream. He returned to Texas with his rock band Inflight and performed with them for several years.

In pursuit of a career in country music, Jerry pulled up his Texas roots and moved to Nashville. Jerry spent several years in Nashville with a major label as many others before him, singing and writing what others told him to. While in Nashville, Jerry recorded several projects, sang demos and wrote many songs with some of the best song writers which gave him more accolades to add to his resume. At the encouragement of his label in Nashville, Jerry also took part in acting, vocal and media image classes.

Jerry is first and foremost a family man and due to family obligations, Jerry landed back in Texas just as the Texas music scene was firing up. Acting on his Nashville experience Jerry blasted onto the Texas music scene with a burst of energy and a parade of hits showcasing his own musical style which tends to combine traditional country, progressive country and southern rock with a touch of the blues. Audley Enough, Jerry’s debut country CD upon returning to Texas, produced several hits and fan favorites and propelled Jerry into the spotlight with many accolades. The album brought about nominations from the Texas Music Association for Best Song, Best Record, Best Band, Best Male Vocalist and Best Album. Lucky Me Lonely You was awarded best song and then rose to #1 on the charts where it remained for four weeks. Jerry’s next single “I Just Want to Hold You” also hit number 1 on the Texas Regional Radio Chart and remained there five weeks. Both singles were recognized in the TRRR #1 Club for over 20 weeks. Jerry was the first Texas artist to release two number one singles back to back.

Audley Familiar, Jerry's sophomore CD produced many other fan favorites including the lively dance tune of Lucky Lucky Me which was a follow up to Lucky Me Lonely You. Definite Possibilities, Never Say Never and Three Nickels and a Dime continue to pack the dance floor at live shows. The CD also includes Hurting All Over Again a catchy tune with a Caribbean vibe and Drinkin Thing, a former Gary Stewart hit. The former Otis Redding Song, I've Been Loving You highlights Jerry's vocal range and unique style. Two additional cuts, Rollin' On and Grandpa both written by Jerry remain favorites and receive extensive request by Audley's fans. Jerry consulted with many of the same writers on this CD as on Audley Enough and it produced several lively dance tunes as well as romantic ballads showcasing Jerry's soulful voice.

After a brief absence from Texas and the Texas Music Scene, Mr Honkytonk is back with a freshly ignited desire to return to music bringing his unique and yet traditional style back to Texas Country. Jerry's newest CD "Audley Back Home" encompasses traditional country tunes accompanied at times by a fresh southern rock vibe. Every cut on the Audley Back Home CD was written and produced by Jerry Audley. The CD is done the "Jerry Audley" way, something Jerry has never been able to do in the past. Each cut has a unique twist with its own message and style. With Jerry's soulful country voice they are all destined to be hits and will entice the ears of a variety of audiences far and wide.

Audley Back Home encompasses works ranging from the upbeat enthusiastic tune of a surprise love of a lifetime (Who Knew) to a song about hitting rock bottom and having faith in God to survive. The CD also includes songs of lies and deceit and breaking free of poisonous grasps on one's life and soul. One Nation Under God is a patriotic song inspired by the state of affairs our Country is in today. The song is very heartfelt and delivers a compassionate message appealing to all Americans, especially patriots and veterans. The cut is getting rave reviews in live performances and social media. Additional cuts on the CD include tunes about the tenacity to keep on rolling regardless of where you are in your life and the feelings of loneliness and being homesick out on the road and wanting to return to the comforts of home.

Jerry's diverse style of music continues to receive radio play in the US and abroad. Over the years, Jerry has been influenced by various musicians including George Strait, Merle Haggard, Keith Whitley, Buck Owens and Willie Nelson. On the other end of the music spectrum, Jerry attributes his style to the influence of other greats such as Stevie Ray Vaughn, Joe Walsh, The Eagles, Journey, Creedence Clearwater and other legends.

Jerry is constantly writing new songs and marketing himself throughout social media and other outlets. With a changing musical landscape, Jerry is constantly redefining his life and career goals while staying true to himself and compiling songs from deep in his heart and soul. Jerry has been given a true gift with his soulful voice and musical talents and gives all the praise to his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Jerry is first and foremost a family man which at times has hindered his musical interest and delayed his career. However, his new life back in Texas is one where he is surrounded by his new family, friends and fans with great admiration and appreciation of his talent as a song writer and musician. The encouragement and inspiration of Jerry's life today guarantees "Mr Honkytonk" is back with a burning desire to share his music via radio, social media and honky tonks around the world to diverse audiences everywhere.