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Who's New

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Lady Antebellum

CURRENT SINGLE:

"Love Don't Live Here"

MEMBERS:

Charles Kelley (lead vocals), Hillary Scott (lead vocals), Dave Haywood (guitar, vocals)

HOMETOWNS:

Augusta, Ga. (Charles and Dave)
Nashville (Hillary)

INFLUENCES:

Vince Gill, Keith Urban, Travis Tritt

ALBUM:

As yet untitled, due out spring 2008

WEBSITE: ladyantebellum.com

LADY LUCK

Charles, 26, and Dave, 25, met while studying finance at the University of Georgia. Charles came to Nashville in 2005, followed the next year by Dave. Hillary, 23—the daughter of country star Linda Davis—met Charles at a reality-show audition, and the three hit it off immediately. "It's a really great marriage, musically and lyrically," Dave says.

"LOVE" SONG

Lady Antebellum's debut single, "Love Don't Live Here," was among the first songs the three wrote together. Charles penned most of the lyrics, inspired by a new romance that just wasn't going anywhere. "I thought, 'I am awful at relationships,'" he recalls. "'I'm not in that place. Love don't live here.'"

MUSICAL THERAPY

"Knowing somebody else relates to a song, that's what life's about," figures Hillary. "That's why we write these songs, because we've lived them. They all come from our personal experiences. Music is a universal, therapeutic thing. People are bonded together and relate to each other through music."