

# Gettin' Old - Luke's Most Polarizing Album Yet

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Luke Combs new album *Gettin' Old* is his fourth released studio album. He released an album back in June of 2022 called *Growin' Up*. So fans were very excited to see that Combs combined the names of his new album and album released in June. So the first song on this album is called *Growin' Up and Gettin' Old*. Luke is a great country artist and is very relatable for people in their late 20s to early 30s. This album has 18 songs on it and is 1 hour, 6 minutes. I've heard a lot of backlash about this album and people seem to either love it or hate it.



Combs *Gettin' Old* album cover. Photo courtesy: Luke Combs

Although there are a lot of songs I'm only going to be reviewing the most talked about songs and my favorite.

*Growin' Up and Gettin' Old* has a good background melody and the lyrics match the beat really well. It has a good speed to it and isn't a very boresome song like some other country songs that have light backgrounds. The lyrics are not very repetitive which I think is a good thing because some songs say the same few words over and over. My favorite part of the song is "In the middle of growin' up and gettin' old." I could see myself listening to this song a lot and not getting tired of it.

Next is *Fast Car*. *Fast car* starts off slow and stays slow until around the middle of the song. I like the lyrics to this song although it is a little repetitive. It constantly repeats "You got a fast car" but just puts different lyrics after it. The beat behind it is quite slow. This song isn't my favorite, it's too repetitive, and too slow for me. Also because the lyrics are repetitive I think I would get sick of it very fast.

My favorite song on this album is *Tattoo on a Sunburn*.

I think the beat behind this song is really good. Another thing that sticks out to me about the song which is why I like it so much is it's a very summer sounding song. I just put it on and it makes me think of the summer because it talks about the warm weather and the water. The songs that remind me of summer are the best sounding country songs because they have fast beats behind them and good lyrics to match. These songs also get the most play from me because I like to put them on over the summer while on the boat, swimming, or doing something outside. The words are also summery as it talks about sunburns and the saltwater breeze. I highly recommend listening to this song especially during the summer.

Lastly is the song I've heard some of the best things about *Where the Wild Things Are*. The beginning is slow but the lyrics move fast which balance each other out well. As the beat increases the song gets better in my opinion. I really like the lyrics, more specifically the line "He pointed that headlight West/Out where the wild things are". I also like how you hear the title of the song multiple times in the song. It helps make the song a lot more recognizable. I recommend giving this song a listen too.

Over all I really enjoyed most of the *Gettin' Old* album. Most of the songs were good and had great beats behind them. The only song on this album that I wasn't crazy about was *Fast Car*. I highly recommend giving this album a listen and creating your own thoughts about it.