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The Jeffersons (DVD) Review

By Britt Gillette

Nominated for 13 Emmys and 8 Golden Globes, The Jeffersons was a groundbreaking situation

comedy that was not only utterly hilarious, but also explored the controversial social issues of its day. Premiering in mid-season 1975, the show was a spin-off of the #1 hit series All In The Family, where main characters George and Louise were the next-door neighbors of Archie and Edith Bunker. During its nine-season run, The Jeffersons spent all but its last season as a Top 25 Nielsen rated show. One of the first sitcoms to center exclusively around the lives of African-Americans, The Jeffersons most likely featured television's first interracial married couple in Tom and Helen Willis. It was this fearless attempt to push the boundaries of the status quo that made the show one of the funniest of its time as well as a valuable resource for American race relations...

The Jeffersons follows the lives of George (Sherman Hemsley) and Louise Jefferson (Isabel Sanford), a middle-aged African-American couple who own a string of successful dry cleaning stores. The windfall generated by their business paves the way for George and Louise to "move on up" into an exclusive Park Avenue apartment. The series is made by Hemsley's portrayal of the stubborn and greedy, yet quite lovable, character of George whose sarcasm and antics are only equaled by the Jeffersons' quick witted live-in maid Florence (Marla Gibbs). A supporting cast composed of omni-present neighbors Tom (Franklin Cover) and Helen Willis (Roxie Roker), the ever-polite Bentley (Paul Benedict), and a tip-grubbing doorman named Ralph (Ned Wertimer) provide for endless sources of irritation and annoyance for George. Throw in George's mother (Zara Cully) and her constant insults of Louise, and The Jeffersons becomes one of the best-written humorous shows of its time...

The Jeffersons DVD features a number of hilarious episodes including the series premiere "A Friend in Need" in which the audience meets George and Louise Jefferson as they settle into their brand new Park Avenue apartment. George demands that Louise hire a maid to take care of place, but she refuses because she doesn't want to be bored. Meanwhile, a new friend of Louise has a hard time believing that George could reach such a level of success without compromising his ethics... Other notable episodes from Season 1 include "Lionel the Playboy" in which the Jeffersons' son Lionel starts enjoying the fruits of George's labor and debates dropping out of college, and "Rich Man's Disease" in which George is diagnosed with an ulcer, prompting Louise to try to keep him from getting upset – a near impossible task...

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Below is a list of episodes included on The Jeffersons (Season 1) DVD:

Episode 1 (A Friend in Need) Air Date: 01-18-1975 Episode 2 (George's Family Tree) Air Date: 01-25-1975 Episode 3 (Louise Feels Useless) Air Date: 02-01-1975 Episode 4 (Lionel the Playboy) Air Date: 02-08-1975 Episode 5 (Mr. Piano Man) Air Date: 02-15-1975 Episode 6 (George's Skeleton) Air Date: 02-22-1975 Episode 7 (Lionel Cries Uncle) Air Date: 03-01-1975 Episode 8 (Mother Jefferson's Boyfriend) Air Date: 03-08-1975 Episode 9 (Meet the Press) Air Date: 03-15-1975 Episode 10 (Rich Man's Disease) Air Date: 03-22-1975 Episode 11 (Former Neighbors) Air Date: 03-29-1975 Episode 12 (Like Father, Like Son?) Air Date: 04-05-1975 Episode 13 (Jenny's Low) Air Date: 04-12-1975

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Recordable DVD formats explained

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Picking your way through the ton of information available on recordable DVD formats can be a nightmare. To help you out, we've done our best to distill it into this summary.

There are five recordable versions of DVD; DVD-R for General, DVD-R for Authoring, DVD-RAM, DVD-RW, and DVD+RW. None of the formats is fully compatible with the other although there are drives which will read, and in some cases write to more than one format.

DVD-R for General and DVD-R for Authoring are essentially DVD versions of CD-R. And DVD-RW is a DVD version of CD-RW. All three formats can be read in standard DVD-ROM drives and in most DVD video players. The difference between DVD-R for General and DVD-R for Authoring is that DVD-R for General is a format intended for widespread consumer use and doesn't support 'professional' features such as piracy protection or duplication in mass duplicators. The Pioneer DVD-RW drive which is the most popular PC device for writing to DVD uses the DVD for General format. And as the case with CD, DVD-RW is essentially the same as DVD-R except that it can be erased and written to again and again.

DVD-RAM is slightly different as it is a sector based disc which mounts on the desktop of a PC when inserted into a drive. Files can then be copied to it in the same way as any other mounted media. Some single-sided DVD-RAM discs can be removed from their caddy and inserted in a DVD-ROM drive which will then be able to read the content of the disc.

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There are DVD video recorders which use the DVD-RAM format. This enables them to pull off clever tricks like timeshifting - where you can watch the beginning of a programme you have recorded while you are still recording the end on the same disc.

DVD+RW is the newest format and not supported by the DVD Forum, the body which sets the standards for DVD. However, it is supported by some of the biggest electronics and computer manufacturers, and is therefore likely to stick around.

It is also the format used by Philips in its DVD video recorders. Despite not being authorised by the DVD Forum, DVD+RW is claimed by its supporters to be compatible with more DVD video players than DVD-R and DVD+RW writers are found in PCs from quite a few manufacturers.

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