

# Secret Love

Doris Day

Once I had a secret love  
That lived within the heart of me.  
All too soon my secret love  
Became impatient to be free.

So I told a friendly star,  
The way that dreamers often do.  
Just how wonderful you are,  
And why I am so in love with you.

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"Secret Love" was composed by Sammy Fain, with lyrics by Paul Francis Webster, for the 1953 musical Calamity Jane. The song was introduced by Doris Day in the title role. It ranked as a number 1 hit for Day on both the Billboard and Cash Box.

Doris Day first heard "Secret Love" when Sammy Fain visited her home and played it for her. Day was so moved by the song that she'd later recall her reaction as being: "I just about fell apart." "Secret Love" won the Oscar for best song at the 26th Academy Awards in March of 1954.