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01. *Father* (4:08) [play](#) 02. *Il Cerchio Della Vita* (4:40) 03. *Al Di La Del Cielo Blu* (3:43)
04. *Easy Lady (Reggae Version)* (3:48) 05. *Call Me (Slow Version)* (3:32) 06. *Gente Como Tu*
(4:21) 07. *Ti Amo* (3:47) 08. *Come Il Cielo* (3:54) 09. *Easy Lady (Original Alike)* (4:24) 10.
Call Me (Original Alike) (4:36) 11. *Dopotutto Ti Amo* (3:31) 12. *Davanti Agli Occhi Miei* (4:31)
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Spagna (born Ivana Spagna, 16 December 1956, Verona, Italy) is an Italian singer and songwriter. She started her career singing in English and in the early 1980s she provided vocals (with Angela Parisi) and wrote songs for an Italo Disco duo project called Fun Fun; as well as writing songs for many other dance music projects until 1986, when she embarked on a solo career.

Her first dance song "Easy Lady" (1986) was a hit throughout Europe. In 1987 she released her third hit, "Call Me". The single made no.1 in the European Chart, and reached no.2 in Italy and in the UK Singles Chart. It also made no.13 in the U.S. Billboard Dance Chart. Her first album, *Dedicated To The Moon*, was released the same year and sold over 500,000 copies.

After the minor UK hit "Every Girl And Boy" and a dance-rock album, *You Are My Energy* (1988), Spagna moved to Santa Monica, California, and created her new pop album *No Way Out* (1991). This album featured a song written by Diane Warren ("There's A Love"), the two singles "Love At First Sight" and "Only Words", peaked at #5 on the Italian chart, and was certified Platinum (over 100.000 copies sold). In 1993, Spagna moved back to Europe, and recorded *Matter Of Time*, featuring the two successful eurodance singles "Why Me" (#10 in Italy) and "I Always Dream About You" (#5 in Italy).

In 1995, after the release of her last dance hit ("Lady Madonna", #4 in Italy), she started singing in her native Italian. After achieving a great success in Italy with the Italian version of Elton John's Circle of Life (Il cerchio della vita), featured in the Italian soundtrack of the Disney film The Lion King, she took part in the Sanremo Festival, the most important Italian song contest, ranking 3rd in 1995 with the song "Gente Come Noi". Her first album in Italian, Siamo in due, sold over 350.000 copies and became the best-selling album by a female singer in Italy that year.

From that year onwards, Spagna released many successful albums sung in Italian (including hit singles such as "Siamo in due", "E io penso a te", "Lupi solitari", "Indivisibili", "Dov'eri", "Il bello della vita-World Cup Song", "Con il tuo nome") until 2003, when she left Sony Music in order to sing in English again. She signed to an independent Swiss record label (B&G), and recorded Woman, a dance-pop album featuring eight new songs in English, two in Spanish and one in French. The album spawned the three singles Never Say You Love Me, Woman and Do It With Style. In 2004 a new remixed version of "Easy Lady" was released. In 2009 a new remix of "Easy Lady" again, produced with DJ Nicola Fasano.

Spagna's albums and singles have sold a total of over 10 millions copies worldwide, for which she has been awarded the "Disco d'oro alla carriera" (Gold certification for the career) by the Italian Federation of the Music Industry (FIMI) in 2006. In February 2006 she took part in the Sanremo Festival again, with the song Noi Non Possiamo Cambiare, and in May 2006 ranked third in the Italian reality television program, Music Farm. In February 2009 the new EP Lola & Angiolina Project, in collaboration with the Italian rockstar Loredana Berté, was released: the first single has been the rock ballad Comunque vada. In 2010, Dedicated To The Moon was re-released on Cherry Pop Records.

Termina con la grande Ivana Spagna la nostra iniziativa dedicata ai grandi interpreti veneti. Ivana Spagna si presenta in questo cd «Semplicemente Veneta» con le sue più belle canzoni: da Easy Lady, Father, il Cerchio della Vita, colonna sonora del Re Leone, Davanti agli occhi miei, Gente come tu, versione spagnola di Gente come noi, e altre. Anche questo cd è in vendita al prezzo promozionale di 7,90 euro oltre al nostro giornale. Ivana Spagna esordisce nel 1986 con "Easy Lady", brano che in poche settimane raggiunge i vertici delle classifiche europee, vendendo 3 milioni di copie. L'anno successivo il secondo singolo, "Call me", conquista il primo posto dell'Eurochart, la classifica dei singoli più venduti in Europa, primo caso

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per un cantante italiano, davanti nientemeno che a Madonna e Michael Jackson. Nel 1988 l'album "You are my energy" arriva a vendere più di 5 milioni di copie. Nel 1990 si trasferisce negli Stati Uniti dove collabora con musicisti di grande prestigio quali Diane Warren (autrice di Michael Bolton), Rhett Lawrence e Stephen Bray. Nello stesso tempo le viene offerto dalla Walt Disney Records, la versione italiana del brano scritto da Elton John e Tim Rice "Circle of life" tratto dalla colonna sonora del film/cartoon "Il Re Leone". Questo lavoro segna il suo debutto in lingua italiana. Da lì, ad oggi, solo un crescendo di successi. --- mattinopadova.gelocal.it

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