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**Black Magic Woman** became a classic hit by Santana in 1970. As sung by Gregg Rolie, reaching #4 in the U.S. and Canadian charts, after appearing on their Abraxas album.

## **Gregg Alan Rolie**

(born June 17, 1947, Seattle) is an American keyboardist, organist, and singer, who is one of the founding members of the bands Santana, *The Storm, Abraxas Pool and Journey,* for whom he was the original lead singer.

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Actually, "Black Magic Woman" is a song written by Peter Green that first appeared as a Fleetwood Mac single in various countries in 1968, subsequently appearing on the 1969 Fleetwood Mac compilation albums

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## **Gregg Rolie**

**Peter Green** (born 29 October 1946, Bethnal Green, London) is a British blues rock guitarist and the founder of the band **Fleetwood Mac.** 

Along with Eric Clapton, Peter Green is often mentioned as one of the two best guitarists of the British blues boom of the mid-1960s to 1970. As the guiding impetus of the original lineup of Fleetwood Mac, Green wrote and performed a dazzling string of hits that by 1969 had outsold singles by the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. While Clapton's playing has prompted comparisons to Freddy King and Albert King, Green's sound is considered to be more like the style of American blues legend B.B. King.



#### **Peter Green**

Although not as popular as Santana's arrangement two years later, "Black Magic Woman" nevertheless became a fairly popular blues-rock hit peaking at #37 in the UK Singles Chart. It was featured in Fleetwood Mac live set-lists even after Green had left the band.



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