

get that same old feeling inside. But it's broken in a little bit. And, you know, now it seems like the greatest feeling in the world."

### 3. David sang himself to sleep at night when he was younger!

If anyone asks David when he first decided he wanted to go into show business, he tells them that it happened when he was about three years old. He saw his father, Jack Cassidy, performing on stage for the first time and wanted to be just like him. So throughout his school days, he sang his way around the house trying to imitate his dad.

But what he doesn't always tell is that he liked singing so much, he used to sing himself to sleep at night.

"When I was still very young," he explains, "I sang a solo in our church's Christmas pageant. The song I did was 'Silent Night' and it was so beautiful and peaceful that after the pageant, I sang it to myself when I couldn't go to



Above: David has an evening on the town with lovely Lynn Dubian. Below: He stretches out on his front lawn for some friendly play with a "friend."

sleep at night. It was a real ego-builder, too."

Though David doesn't sing himself to sleep anymore, he still enjoys listening to music right before he goes to bed. It's very relaxing. And 'Silent Night' is still his favorite Christmas song.

### 4. David wants to get away from it all!

David lists being out in the country as one of his very favorite things. He loves the idea of freedom—of being out where everybody's not all crowded around—and he loves animals and nature.

"In the city there's so much pollution," he says. "All you see are big buildings and crowds of people. All you smell is the waste from cars and factories. And all you hear are machines at work."

It bugs David sometimes that he can't spend as much time as he wants in the country. But he tries to look and listen for whatever natural beauty is left in the city.

### 5. David likes to be by himself!

As much as David enjoys getting out and meeting his fans and working on "The Partridge Family," there are times when he just wants to be all alone.

"I think I work a lot better when I'm alone," he admits. "I can concentrate more on my music when there aren't a lot of other people around. I like to practice by myself if I can, too."

Sometimes David likes to be by himself to read or to listen to other people's music. He even enjoys going for long rides into the country alone every once in awhile.

"I guess that's just the kind of person I am," he says. "I enjoy my friends and my family and my co-workers and my fans. But occasionally I have to be with just me. I like it that way, and I think it makes me a better person when I'm with others."

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