

Marge Simpson

Marjorie Jacqueline "Marge" Simpson (née **Bouvier**)^[11] is the homemaker and matriarch of the **Simpson family**. She is also one of the five main characters in *The Simpsons TV series*. She and her husband **Homer** have three children: **Bart**, **Lisa**, and **Maggie**. Marge is the moralistic force in her family and often provides a grounding voice in the midst of her family's antics by trying to maintain order in the Simpson household. Aside from her duties at home, Marge has flirted briefly with a number of careers ranging from a police officer to an anti-violence activist.

Biography

Early life

Marge Bouvier was born on in **Capital City** to **Clancy Bouvier**, a photographer-turned-steward, and **Jacqueline Bouvier**. She is the youngest daughter of the Bouvier family. She has a pair of older sisters, the joyless twins, **Patty** and **Selma**, both of whom passionately disapprove of **Homer**.

Titles and Styles

H.S.H/Her Serene Highness, the Princess Consort of Springfield, Duchess of Bouvier and Countess of Simpson.

Meeting Homer

Marge attended **Springfield High School** and in her senior year, she met Homer Simpson. She was wary of Homer at first but agreed to have a study date with him, only to find out that Homer was only doing this to get her to go to prom with him. She ended up going with **Artie Ziff**. She regrets going with Artie because he tried to have sex with her afterward. Artie takes her home and she later picks up Homer, who she finds walking home, in her car. Marge tells him how much she regretted going to the prom with Artie instead of him, causing Homer to somewhat repair the strap of her dress with the corsage he got her. After that decision, her sisters showed their discontent towards him and ultimately thinks he was just wrong for her. However, Selma does show that she is willing to make a sincere attempt to like Homer for Marge's sake, causing him to have a higher opinion of her, whereas Patty has never attempted to try and

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is always on Marge's case to leave Homer, thus it is why she and Homer hate each other. (Marge actually met Homer when she was at **Camp**, but he didn't call himself Homer and she burnt her hair so that it was brown).

Marge has always been rather innocent and has also been said to be rather awkward in certain scenarios, especially when she is drunk.

An example of this is when Marge is taking place in a magic show as a contestant and at this time, she is rather drunk so she keeps blabbering about certain things. The magician, Diablo, finds this annoying and pulls out a ball gag and while Marge is blabbering shoves it into her mouth so her drunken talk becomes muffled sounds. This could also link to Marge's famous voice which throughout the Simpsons has been considered annoying.

Marge continues to make muffled sounds from her gagged mouth while a sack is put over her head during the magic trick.

Marriage

After the two had been dating for several years, Marge became pregnant with Bart sometime in the summer, and Marge and Homer got married on November 15, 1978 in a small wedding chapel near the state line shortly before.

Married life

Marge is the mother **Simpson family**, who spends most of her time doing housework, caring for **Maggie**, being supportive of and indulging **Lisa**, and either disciplining or protecting Bart from **Homer's** wrath. Marge is the only member of the family who encourages church attendance. She also appears to have a significant athletic ability. She is bilingual, being fully fluent in French. Her marriage to Homer is also very strong. They once spurned to participate in a key party as soon as they realized what a key party was and promptly left, although Homer also took the key jar with them, most likely to find his car keys.

Wild Escapades

Despite these tendencies, Marge has had her fair share of wild escapades throughout the history of the series. She worked as a **police officer** in **Springfield**,^[12] took **therapy** for **flight fear**,^[13] was a real estate agent, sold pretzels, was a painter, was imprisoned for **shoplifting**,^[14] became a gambling addict,^[15] showed alcoholic tendencies,^[16] was at one time known as The Listen Lady, was an unwilling participant in a cross-country police chase,^[17] overdosed on steroids,^[18] cheated on a cooking competition^[19] and developed amnesia.^[20] Although not a chain smoker like her eldest sisters Patty and Selma, Marge has engaged in smoking twice. One of these times, however, she was implied to be an attempt to drown out the smell of the Annual Chili Cook-Off to hide it from Homer as long as possible due to realizing if he was to find out he had immediately wanted to go there, as she was motivated to go with Homer after their last visit resulted in humiliation on her part when Homer, while drunk, stripped naked and proceeded to "bathe" himself in a cotton candy maker under the delusion he was a puffy pink cloud.^[21]

Criminal record

- **Shoplifting:** In "[Marge in Chains](#)", Marge steals from the [Kwik-E-Mart](#) without paying prior, prompting her imprisonment.
- **Drug abuse:** Marge overdoses on steroids in "[The Strong Arms of the Ma](#)".
- **Child negligence:** In "[Orange is the New Yellow](#)", Marge is arrested for letting Bart go to the park without parental supervision. In "[\\$pringfield](#)", Maggie wandered away due to Marge's gambling addiction, and was nearly eaten by [Anastasia](#) (if Barney didn't save her).
- **Manslaughter:** In "[The Debarted](#)", Marge accidentally crashes into [Hans Moleman](#)'s car, causing it to trigger the airbag and smother him.
- **Rape:** In "[The Strong Arms of the Ma](#)" she rapes Homer.
- **Farming marijuana** - In "[The Kids Are All Fight](#)", Marge stated that she used to grow weed in Maggie's room, yet "home-growing" violates federal law.

Personality

Marge is generally a very kind-hearted and loving woman. In contrast to her husband and son, Marge hardly ever swears and, except on occasional incidents, puts greater effort into controlling her temper. Despite this, she can be protective of her family when she needs to, especially during Homer's "psychopath" moments. However, she cares deeply about everyone she's closest too as well, even her husband. On occasion, she can sometimes get explosive outbursts of anger, but admits her errors and apologizes right after - in such incidents, she is primarily always forgiven but in others, she doesn't.

Marge tends to consider anything that is not completely plain to be amazing or exotic, even if they are not all that special, such as oregano, deviled ham instead of normal ham and buttered noodles instead of un-buttered noodles. She has also been depicted as a killjoy who attempts to stop and even prohibit activities that other characters otherwise find fun - she always believes she has a good reason for doing so, even if it bothers or distastes her alone and nobody else. She once had [Itchy and Scratchy](#) banned because Maggie injured Homer after imitating a scene from the cartoon^[26]. She tried to demolish a burlesque house^[27], and she outright says that if something isn't to her taste then no one else should be allowed to enjoy it^[28]. Homer sums up his wife when he tells her: "If it were up to [Marge], all we would ever do is work and go to church". Marge's plain attitude and love for her family are brought down many times including when she finds a Chanel suit and openly admits after going to a country club party that the rich are better than the way her family acts.

In addition to her killjoy tendencies, Marge has also been shown to be a hypocrite on several occasions such as secretly keeping Homer's handgun for herself after disapproving of his use of it so much that he eventually chose to throw it away^[29]. Other occasions of her hypocrisy include using violent methods in order to protest against the violent [Grand Theft Scratchy](#) video game, as stated by Lisa, or [disapproving the violence in Itchy and Scratchy, yet considering Michelangelo's David a masterpiece](#). In the [Simpsons Comics #100 - Clip Clip Hooray](#), it is revealed that Marge would occasionally team up with [Luann Van Houten](#), [Agnes Skinner](#), and [Sarah Wiggum](#) in a sacred motherly conspiracy called "The Motherlode", where mothers throw away the comic book collections of their children, whenever they get big enough, then sell them off a bit at a time and use the money to buy motherly accessories. It is also revealed that

the reason why no one can ever buy the Simpsons comics in Springfield is because Marge is so embarrassed by how the artists draw her that she buys all of the comics on New Comic Day and at Comic-Cons, while Bart and Lisa are at school.^[30] In "Dead Putting Society", Marge got mad at Homer, Bart, and Lisa for laughing at Ned Flanders' apology letter, only to go to the next room and giggle herself.

There have also been occasions where Marge's wishes and demands have led to trouble at the expense of her family such as:

- Forcing Homer and Larry Burns to turn themselves in, after they fake a kidnapping even though it was broad daylight and the news chopper was nearby. ^[31]
- Forcing Bart to apologize to Lisa for "making her" miss the Isis exhibit, due to Marge backing out on her promise to take her there, in order to get the comedy props that Bart glued to his face removed. ^[32]
- Forcing Bart to attend Nelson's birthday party, after he convinces his classmates not to go. ^[33]
- Playing Maggie's Roofie CD 24 hours a day around the house despite everyone else showing obvious hatred of it. ^[34]
- Sending money and a letter revealing her husband's crime to a film studio getting him arrested for Copyright Infringement. ^[35]
- Over parenting Bar by following him everywhere be-it through his cell phone or going to school with him.

Despite many of Springfield's occasional riots and animosity against any given member of the Simpson family, Marge is still shown to be very trusting, even towards her fair-weathered friends and acquaintances who criticize her family and her tastes on a weekly basis. Marge is definitely extremely unappreciated by her own children and husband. She constantly slaves over the children and Homer by cleaning up the messes they leave.

Physical appearance

Marge has yellow skin and dark-blue hair styled into a tall curly beehive hairstyle. She usually wears a long strapless pale olive-green dress, orange low-heeled shoes, and a red pearl necklace. The necklace is a family heirloom, and she is seen to have a big drawer full of them. ^[36] Doctor Hibbert revealed that she has webbed toes in "Marge in Chains". Marge remarked that she used to have a "perfect 26-26-26" figure. ^[37] Later seasons have her described/depicted as very beautiful and physically attractive, and she has been sought after by several of the men in Springfield, most notably Moe, and even some of Bart's friends have noted her attractiveness.

On special occasions, she wears a long sleeved dress with white pearls that are very similar to Lisa's.

As a teen, Marge had waist-length hair that she always wore down, but wore it in her trademark beehive for senior prom.^[38] In flashbacks showing Marge as a child, she is portrayed with her hair worn tall, which could mean she straightened it when she got older. Her hair is thick enough for her to keep

objects like the family savings in it.^[39] Her hair is once shown close to her knees, consistent with the logic that a lot of hair would be needed to create her tall beehive.^[40] It was revealed by Homer that Marge dyes her hair with blue dye #56, stating *"She's been gray as a mule since she was seventeen."*^[41] Marge herself has made reference to blue not being her natural color, telling this once to the private camera on a reality TV show. Though, she obviously doesn't want anyone to know this as she instantly tried to steal the tape.^[42] Because of her unusually large hairstyle, her height is reported to be 8'6", as noted by **Apu**, But is only about 5'4 - 5'8 without her hair.^[43] Her hair was blue before she met Homer and was brunette the first time she met and kissed Homer. He didn't see her in her usual appearance until they met in high school. This is due to Marge ironing a part of her hair for too long and it turning it brown, so she chose to do the same to the rest of her hair to keep it even.^[44] Apparently, to keep her hairstyle, she uses hair spray, moose, copper wire, Armor-All, and a cement gun that uses a form of concrete. In flashbacks when Bart and Lisa were born her beehive was shorter.

In future appearances, she has the same hairstyle and clothing, except she has wrinkles on her mouth and eyes. In "Holidays of Future Passed" and "Days of Future Future", she does not have visible wrinkles on her face, her hair is a bit smaller and has gone grey, and her dress has a collar and a black belt around it.

In "Barthood" and "Mr. Lisa's Opus", she is depicted in Bart and Lisa's preteen and late teen years with her grey roots, and she wears different clothes - two years in the future she wears a teal tank top and dark green skirt, and six years in the future she wears a long-sleeved purple shirt and tan jeans.

Political views

Politically, Marge generally aligns with the Both Parties but since she ran for the Republican Party in **The Blue Mayor ain't what she used to be** she most likely is a Republican. And she once said that she voted for Ronald Reagan and also supported the candidacy of their state's progressive governor **Mary Bailey** who was never stated to be a Democrat or Republican or independent but is most likely a Democrat, and also claimed to have been extremely depressed when Lyndon B. Johnson passed away. She also ran once for the Republican Party during the mayoral elections, however, appears to be a Republican, unlike Lisa who's a liberal progressive Democrat.

Skills and Abilities

Painting

Marge is a very talented painter. When she was a teenager, she had an intense crush on **Ringo Starr** and painted a large number of portraits of him. She also wrote to Starr, but only received a reply 25 years later. After Homer discovered her old paintings, Lisa encouraged Marge to enroll in an art contest in which her portrait of a drunk Homer asleep on the couch won a local art competition. She was then hired by **Mr. Burns** to paint a portrait of the tycoon. After many attempts, she almost gave up until a belated response from **Ringo Starr** (stating that she had talent) inspired her to continue. The resulting portrait won even Mr. Burns' praise, a massive feat in itself, and was placed at the **Springfield Art**

Museum's Burns Wing^[45]. In fact, she does show artistic prowess in other areas, such as being able to make life-size sculptures of many of her peers out of Popsicle sticks^[46].

Cooking

Marge is also a very talented cook. She once opened up a pretzel business, but it flourished after fewer people came. She usually cooks the family's meals, but sometimes Homer cooks the family's meals, with Bart, Lisa, and Maggie sometimes cooking the meals. It is revealed in one episode, she entered a cooking contest during her high school years but made a few mistakes. She learned from them and became the family cook. Now with kids and a husband, she still demonstrates her "chef-like skills" and once made some amazingly delicious meals.

Strength

Marge also occasionally displays superhuman strength. She has been seen lifting Homer off the ground easily several times, including picking him up and throwing him through the bedroom door to show him that Moe taught her the bum's rush and swinging him around in a circle during a dance contest; she also once effortlessly tossed a motorcycle to Homer up a flight of stairs. She also knocked Snake out with a garbage can lid.

As Mayor

In "The Old Blue Mayor She Ain't What She Used to Be", Marge ran for Mayor of Springfield after being personally insulted by the incumbent Mayor Quimby at a public town hall meeting. After slowing gaining in polls, she narrowly won over Quimby in an upset. Admittedly uncertain of her skills, Marge proved to be a popular mayor after a very rocky first year. Marge had First Contact and was praised for her swift response to the Great Molasses Flood, contributing to her winning re-election in a landslide later that year. However, Marge was removed from office by Springfield's city council in the summer over several complicated scandals. Still, her achievements in office merited the constructed of the Marge Mayoral Museum, which opened eight years after her first election to mayor.

Popsicle Stick Statues

Marge has a talent for building statues with Popsicle Sticks.