## Shakira Says She'd Love to Have Eight or Nine Kids with Gerard Pique





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Could we be expecting a *Gerard and Shakira Plus Eight* reality show anytime soon? According to *UsMagazine.com*, the *Voice* judge shared in a recent interview with *Latina* that she "would love to have" lots of children with her longtime boyfriend Gerard Pique, if time permits. "If it weren't because of my music projects, I would be pregnant already," said the songstress and mother of 13-month-old Milan "I would love to have eight or nine kids with Gerard — my own futbol team."

How do you compromise with your partner on how many children

## to have?

## Cupid's Advice:

The talk between you and your partner about building a family can be a scary and exciting conversation. It is important to discuss the maximum number of children to have and when to have them. There is a lot to think about, but Cupid has some things for you to consider before making the even bigger step:

1. Timing: You and your partner should ask each other if it is the right time to expand your family. Be sure to take in mind if you all are at the right and most comfortable place in your relationship or marriage. If problems have been occurring since the birth of baby number one, do not ignore the possibility of them increasing if another baby is added. Also, think about daily schedules and if the two of you will be able to maintain a balanced household.

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2. Finances: Big families come along with bigger expenses. Perhaps you have been noticing a dent in your pocket or a decline in your bank account — it may not be the best idea to bring in another bundle of joy just yet. A suggestion would be to continue saving until there is an adequate amount that could support another child. Both of you need to discuss income and the ability to provide the basic necessities, plus more, to those future four or five children.

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3. Agreement: There should be a mutual understanding between you and your partner on the size of family wanted. Try to have this conversation early on to avoid any conflict at a later date. If your partner has stood firm on only wanting two children, do not pressure him/her into doubling that number.

Negotiate on three instead.

What are ways to compromise with your partner on the number of children to have? Share your suggestions below.