

# Celebrity Interview: Model CariDee English Is “Off the Market Officially!”



Interview by [Whitney Johnson](#). Written by [Rebecca White](#).

You may recognize CariDee English as the season 7 winner of *America's Next Top Model*, but she has come a long way in her career since 2006. In our [celebrity interview](#), the former reality TV star opens up about her current boyfriend, her struggle with Psoriasis and how it has affected her relationships and love life, and the upcoming music video that she stars in. Plus, she shares her best fashion and beauty tips for your next date night.

# CariDee English Opens Up About Her Relationship and Love Life

Sorry, guys: This beautiful blonde is “off the market officially.” She’s been dating musician Ilan Rubin since they ran into each other at a Halloween party, but she admits that she “stalked him on Instagram for a couple of years” first. Given their shared passion for music, particularly drumming, she says, “I love the way he worked. First and foremost, I was in love with the artist in him.”

For women trying to find the courage to make the first move, take a cue from English: After she realized Rubin was flirting with her, she took the reins. “I definitely approached him. I picked him up 100 percent,” she shares. The couple has been together ever since!

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Since both of them travel often for work, they have to take advantage of date nights when they can. The models says her perfect time with her man is when she doesn’t have to share him with anyone else. She elaborates, “With work, we’re constantly out with other people, so it’s just nice to get all of his attention.”

When it comes to her three must-haves in a partner, English knows exactly what she wants: He needs a job; he needs to share some of her passions and interests; and most importantly, he needs to be loyal. “I can’t stress it enough: You can have the hottest guy with the best job, but if he’s not loyal, you’re gonna feel like shit,” she says in our celebrity interview.

# Former Reality TV Star Shares Dating Advice in Celebrity Interview

Many fans now know English from the often-played Stelara commercials. Given her role as spokesperson for the medicine, it's no surprise that she's very candid when discussing her Psoriasis, which she's had since she was five years old. "It really impacted my dating life. It's the biggest reason why I'm so cool and half the reason why it took so long to lose my virginity," she says with a laugh. "It's something that you can't cover up, and it's something that you can feel to the touch."

While not all of us struggle with something like Psoriasis, the North Dakota native recognizes that, "as women, we are always going to be uncomfortable about something." She encourages you to "embrace whatever it is that's less than perfect. The best way to find confidence is just to put time into yourself." Something as simple as taking a walk two times a week can help you feel more in tune with yourself. "That automatically makes you feel more comfortable when it comes time to reveal your body in front of a partner," she adds.

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English also believes that it's important to share your insecurities with your partner once you are comfortable with them, even though the fear of rejection is so high. "They're only going to love you more. I guarantee that," she shares.

Of course, as much as you work on inner confidence, you're outer appearance also affects how you ultimately feel. "Confidence comes from within, but it will show on the outside," the model says. "Whenever I'm not feeling all that sure of myself, I'll wear a bright lip or a powerful

color like red and throw in a little extra time on my hair.” Whatever you do, don’t give into your self-doubt and decide not to go out. “Don’t let your insecurity win. Beat it with a punch – a punch of color,” she says.

If all else fails, English recommends wearing something black. “It’ll make you feel slinky and smooth and slender. It kind of makes you feel like a bad ass,” the star divulges. “A great leather jacket will go a long way to improve your mood too.”

To add a little pizazz to your dating life, try something new when it comes to your beauty routine. It can be as simple as putting on a new lipstick or as drastic as changing your hair color. Whatever you decide to do, English says, “Just commit to it. Go for it 100 percent and wear it with no apologies.”

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On a first date, though, you may want to keep your look simple. “The more you put on, the more upkeep you have to do,” she reminds us. “Make sure you bring everything needed for touch-ups!”

When she’s not modeling, English loves doing anything related to music. She’s currently working on a music video for the band Mini Mansions, which is Michael Shuman’s band, who is the bassist for Queens of the Stone Age. “I’m excited because I get to do my art, my modeling, but I get to do it in a live action way,” she says.

*You can keep up with CariDee on Twitter @CariDeeEnglish and Instagram.*

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# Our 2014 Holiday Gift Guide



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By Emily Meyer

Is the holiday season sneaking up on you? Are you still unsure about what to get those special people in your life? Look no further! Here at CupidsPulse.com, we know how stressful this time of year can be, and we're here to help. For our 2014 holiday gift guide, our team found some amazing products to make everyone on your list happy. Take a look below for some of our favorite items:

**Signature Sole Socks:** If you're searching for that must-have gift for a mom-to-be who needs to relax or a co-worker who *always* seems stressed out, we've got just the thing! [Signature Sole Socks](#) are cozy, warm, and fashionable. Not only can they be worn when lounging around the house, but they can also be worn with tall boots, short boots, and rain boots.

Signature Sole Socks are designed to fit everyone with sizes running from small to large for both males and females. These versatile socks come in a range of colors, including pink, orange, and even leopard and zebra print. Depending on the style, the socks will cost you between \$25 and \$35. You'll be giving more than just one gift when you purchase a pair of Signature Sole Socks: A portion of each sale goes towards a sock donation to children in the hospital. This low-priced gift is sure to make everyone's holiday season a lot more cozy!



American Born Moonshine:  
Dixie, Original, and Apple  
Pie flavors.

**American Born Moonshine:** We know shopping for that special guy in your life can be nearly impossible. But fear no more, we have a gift that he's sure to love! After all, what man doesn't enjoy some good old-fashioned moonshine? Lucky for you, [American Born Moonshine](#) has released an Apple Pie

flavor that is perfect for the holiday season. Even if American Born Moonshine isn't available in your state quite yet, you can still order it by printing a form found on their website and taking it to your local liquor dealer.

Our favorite drink for the holiday season is the Ginger Snap, which is two ounces of American Born Moonshine in Apple Pie mixed with four ounces of ginger ale. It's the perfect treat to warm you up after a chilly day spent playing in the snow with your loved ones! That special guy in your life will love adding this unique liquor to his bar selection.



900 Calorie Burn DVD and the Petal Back Racer Tank from Gaia.

**Gaia:** Just in time for chilly days, [Gaia](#) has released their latest DVDs and apparel line. With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, it's often hard to fit in a workout. Thanks to the 900 Calorie Burn DVD with Ashley Borden, exercising each day just got so much easier. With four 25-minute routines, there's no excuse not to break a sweat!

If you're looking for new workout gear, Gaia's clothes are not only comfortable but lightweight and warm too. Their apparel is breathable and quick-drying with the softest fabric possible, making these items perfect for your winter workout. The Curve Leggings hug your curves and follow every movement of your body – an ideal choice for your daily yoga session.



The Petal Back Racer Tank is flattering and has also been designed to stay in place with every bend and stretch. Even better, both of these items are reasonably priced for under \$100.



LoveBook Online.

**LoveBook Online:** This unique, personalized gift is sure to please that special someone (or someones!) in your life. [LoveBook Online](#) is a website that lets you create a custom gift book that lists all of the reasons you love someone. They even print it, bind it, and ship it for you! Not only is this sweet book sincere and heartfelt, but it's also super easy to make. There are a ton of fun pages with cute quotes like "I love cooking with you" or "I love going on adventures together." They also have humorous stick-figure pictures to go with each phrase. You can include an unlimited number of pages in your hardcover or softcover book. This unique gift idea starts at just \$34.95 and lasts a lifetime. Any hopeless romantic is sure to fall in love with this precious idea!





LoveYourBling: Topaz  
Teardrop Briolette earrings  
and Filigree Dangle  
earrings in rose gold.

**LoveYourBling:** Still struggling to find a present for your boss? [LoveYourBling](#), a California-based handcrafted jewelry company, has amazing items for both women and men. The company is a member of the Artisan Group, which is an organization that is on a mission to introduce Hollywood to the best handcrafted products.

Some of our favorite pieces of jewelry for the holiday season are the Topaz Teardrop Briolette earrings and the Filigree Dangle earrings in rose gold, which are both under \$30. These earrings are dainty and feminine – a nice addition to any Christmas outfit. The site also features gorgeous cufflinks, a great gift for any man. These presents will impress your boss *without* breaking the bank.

For 20% off of anything at LoveYourBling, use the coupon code: **CP2014**. Happy shopping!



## Mënaji Clear Shave 3-in-1 Formula.

**Mënaji:** [Mënaji](#), a skincare line for men, recently released new products to help your beau get ready for the day ahead. Their Clear Shave 3-in-1 Formula will let him shave anywhere, anytime, even without a sink. This product uses a revolutionary unique “dry shave” experience that allows him to get rid of his scruff in one simple step. The CAMO Stick Concealer helps to reduce dark circles and hide scars, bumps, and blemishes. With the holiday season here and so much traveling going on, they have a product to beat those jet-lagged eyes too. The 911 Eye Gel is perfect for any man struggling to look good during this busy time of year. These affordable products are sure to make that guy in your life feel like he can conquer the world!



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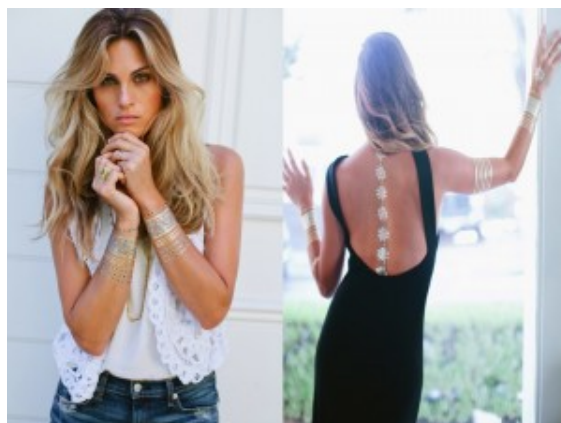
**Play from Scratch, LLC:** [Play from Scratch, LLC](#) is a great place to look for unique gifts for little ones. The toy company keeps even the most creative kids busy through imaginative toys and games made from sustainable materials. The YOXO To Go inspires children to build amazing 3D creations, while the YOXObot Orig comes with everything they need to build an 18-inch tall robot. These items, which have won numerous Creative Child Awards in 2014, will entertain any child age four and above.



Pish Posh Baby: BabyZen  
YoYo Stroller and the  
Blooming Baby Bath.

**Pish Posh Baby:** If you're looking for something for new parents, [Pish Posh Baby](#) is your one-stop-shop for revolutionary baby and kid products. They offer items like the BabyZen YoYo stroller, which is incredibly compact, lightweight, and versatile. This fashionable stroller, which comes in a variety of color combinations, is perfect for everyday use and holiday traveling. Both new parents and their little ones won't be able to resist this holiday gift!

Another great item is the Blooming Baby Bath, which is handmade from incredibly soft materials and hugs any child to create a safe bath time experience. This hassle-free product makes your kitchen sink an easy bathtub alternative. With the four bright colors to choose from, it will keep even the fussiest baby happy during bath time!



Lulu DK Tattoos: Indigo and

## Desert Blue collections.

**Lulu DK:** We all have a friend who is a wild child at heart, loves being the center of attention, and can be a bit hard to shop for. Luckily, we have a gift that's sure to impress her: [Lulu DK tattoos](#). They have two new gorgeous henna collections: Indigo and Desert Blue, both of which are Indian-inspired. They're even more beautiful, detailed, and intricate than any of their other designs and make for a unique accessory at any holiday soiree.

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## Find the Perfect Present This Holiday Season With the Help of the DSW Gift Guide!





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*post is presented by DSW.*

By Emily Meyer

Shoe lovers rejoice! Nothing makes a woman happier than a new pair of shoes. This year, picking out that perfect pair of heels or boots for your mother, best friend, or wife may not be as hard as you think, thanks to the DSW Gift Guide!

DSW has something for everyone on your list this year. They offer a huge selection of all types of shoes, including flats, heels, boots, and booties. DSW also has great deals on other accessories, such as handbags, scarfs, and jewelry. This holiday season, they are offering the most perfect gift guide with items under \$25, \$50, and \$75. You will be able to make DSW your one-stop-shop for all the shoe and accessory lovers in your life.

So what do you get for your partner who seems to have everything she could possibly want? No one can ever resist a new pair of [shoes](#)! Whether it is the new cute [Pink and Pepper Pearl Bootie](#) for her or the [Sperry Top-Sider Boat Shoes](#) for

him, everyone is guaranteed to love something from the DSW Gift Guide.

Not only are the shoes to die for, but the Gift Guide also includes amazing accessories! With items such as the [Kelly & Katie Leopard Twist Cowl Scarf](#), the [Columbia Canvas & Leather Belt](#), and the stylish [Moda Luxe Woven Clutch](#), you will definitely get that special someone's attention this holiday season.

Whether you are looking for shoes, boots, heels, or accessories this holiday season, DSW is the place for you! Check out their Gift Guide to find great deals on all things fashionable this season.

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**Celebrity Stylist Derek Warburton on Holiday Fashion: "If You're Meeting the Family, Wear the Softest Cashmere Possible"**







By

[Sarah Batcheller](#)

“Fabulous” hardly begins to describe Derek Warburton, a celebrity stylist, media personality, and master of all things fashion. He has dressed the likes of Beyoncé Knowles, Jessica Alba, and numerous Victoria’s Secret models. His love for New York City street style translates into the artistic chicness of his styles, and he has a keen eye for popular trends. Warburton has a slew of tips to offer to the everyday gal, including dressing for day-to-night or planning an outfit for an office party. In our exclusive interview, we chatted with the style guru about holiday fashion as well as fun looks and date ideas for the rest of the year!

## **Celebrity Stylist’s Best Fashion Looks and Date Ideas**

For starters, Warburton suggests two hot trends to consider working into your wardrobe this winter: “This year, it’s all about the faux fur. I’m really pushing faux fur because there

are so many fun things you can do with it: It can look really fun and feminine on a girl. You can do a faux jacket or a fun accessory, and it just livens up your look. I'm also talking a lot about leather in multiple colors. A burgundy, forest, or even cream-colored leather can be really fun, especially in a skirt." The trend-lover recommends the pleated accordion skirt as an addition to any winter wardrobe, reminding fashionistas with curvy body types to choose longer skirts and those with slimmer bodies to wear shorter ones.

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The tell-it-like-it-is fashion adviser gives some notable fashion [dating advice](#) for different holiday occasions. All of you office-chic stylistas out there, have no fear! "It's all about the button-up shirt," he says of transitioning an outfit from day to night. "If you're wearing a big cardigan and a button-up during the day, a lacy bra is the hottest thing to wear underneath for day-to-night. Just unbutton the shirt a little when it's time to go out." Warburton also suggests chandelier earrings and colorful bangles as must-have accessories to compliment your nighttime look.

Speaking of work, if you're hoping to be caught under the mistletoe at your office holiday party, he insists you must not overdo any part of your outfit, being that you're still in a professional environment. "Gorgeous chic is what I suggest, something very, very simple," says Warburton. "Add something a little sexy, whether it be a pop of color or a pair of heels."

## **Relationship Advice: Meeting the Family**

He goes on to describe appropriate attire if you're going home with your honey for the holidays and meeting their family for the first time. "Generally, the cleaner, the better. You want

to look really tailored and sleek. If it's family you're meeting, you should always look like you're put together with a little bit of personality," he says of his best relationship advice. "Also, wear fabric that feels really good. When someone comes in for that hug and you feel warm and cozy, they're going to have that feeling about you! Try and wear the softest cashmere possible because then everyone is going to want to touch you, which will make them feel more comfortable with you."

As for ringing in the New Year, if you want to escape the cliché of glitter and sparkles, Warburton says, "Metallic metal is huge. Also, you can't be afraid to shine up the room with winter whites. The creamy, clean feel is big all around the world right now!"

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Being in love with New York City street style, the celebrity stylist says that a date night look inspired by such fashion should be feminine yet balanced. "A dress and a high-heeled boot is a good look," the celebrity stylist claims. "I always tell girls to wear a dress, but you've got to pick showing off some cleavage and wearing a longer skirt or a shorter skirt with a higher neck."

If we weren't already excited for holiday fashion, we sure are now! More of the style sage's favorite looks can be found on his new website called [Instafabulous.com](http://Instafabulous.com), where top model's Instagram posts will be shared and discussed. Furthermore, Warburton will be touring Texas, New Mexico, and Vegas, discussing the hottest trends for the holidays.

*You can get a glimpse of Derek's favorite styles by liking him on [www.facebook.com/derekfabulous/](http://www.facebook.com/derekfabulous/) and following him on Twitter @derekfabulous!*

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# Find the Perfect Date Night Outfit Using tagspire!





Inspire those around you with your fashionable holiday wear using Tagspire.

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Written by Shannon Seibert. Photo by [Whitney Johnson](#).

With the impending winter chill, finding a fashion-forward and sensible outfit for date night can be challenging. The holiday season of snuggly sweaters and booties is approaching quickly, giving you the perfect opportunity to share your winter fashion expertise all over social media. If you're already posting your adorable attire on the web, you might as well get paid for it. So our gift to you this holiday season is the newest form of social commerce in the digital age: tagspire.

tagspire is a one-of-a-kind website that allows you to contribute to the fashion world and inspire others while social shopping. The website lets you to post photos of your cover-worthy attire and tag the items that you're wearing so everyone else can duplicate your holiday look and buy it themselves. All you have to do is upload your photo to [tagspire](#) and tag each item you want to monetize in the photo.

These tags allow other users to find the items you're wearing and purchase online.

The tags aren't limited to links either! Users are able to submit blurbs and ratings for items that will show up just like the tags do. You can even utilize multiple tags to direct traffic to more than one link. Each time someone buys an item that you tag, you will gain a small percentage of commission. Plus, the dashboard allows you to see sell analytics and history. You can enhance your tagspire skills by watching their video tutorial.

Click [here](#) to see the post above on tagspire!

This website is the ultimate platform for not only showcasing your styling talent but also finding a holiday present for your honey! That new iPhone case he has been vying for? You are now able to find it by typing a brief description into your search bar. That's right; this site isn't limited to apparel either: Users are able to feature a variety of items from electronics and travel accessories to beauty products and home decor.

Since online sales are at an all time high between October and March, sign up for tagspire today to maximize your opportunity to make and save money. Rather than promoting your style in the traditional word-of-mouth way, you can give your audience a visual of what your creation looks like. Happy tagging!

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## **Bobbie Thomas on Date Night**



# Fashion: “If You’re Looking to Have a Good Time, Don’t Be Uncomfortable!”



By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

Style and beauty expert Bobbie Thomas knows a thing or two about fall fashion. First, that there’s no need to feel like you have to redo your entire wardrobe for the season. “There’s something for everyone,” Thomas explains in our celebrity interview. “I really like that seasonless style is around, where you can take a spring or summer item – like a bright color or floral pattern – and winterize it.” Of course, the best tip is always confidence. “You need to walk into a situation with...a mission to actually like what you see in the

mirror instead of already assuming you're not going to like that," she shares.

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## **Bobbie Thomas Shares Fashion Advice in Celebrity Interview**

This time of year, the one must-have for every girl's closet is boots. "Riding boots happen to be my personal favorite because they just look so polished. You could be in leggings and a sweater, and they give you just enough heel, but they're still so comfortable," she says.

Thomas shares [love advice](#) too and encourages practicality for your date night looks. "If you're looking to have a good time with someone, don't be uncomfortable!" she reveals. "Make sure you can move around and wiggle in your clothes. You really want to wear something that you'll be so comfortable in that you'll be able to be yourself on that date."

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Just like you want to find a loyal man, the *TODAY Show* style editor also encourages you to look for a loyal retailer. She's teamed up with Kohl's for their Yes2You rewards program. "In order to really expand your wardrobe, you want to shop smart," she says. "That's why I think it's a really great idea to have a retail relationship as well as a real life one!"

*You can keep up with Bobbie on Twitter @BobbieThomas. Check Kohl's for the best fall fashion finds!*

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# Is Your Wardrobe Preventing You From Meeting a Partner?



By

Ashley Martini

It probably isn't the first thing that comes to mind when we're seeking love. Usually, we're wondering where we should be hanging out and where all the single people are. We shouldn't care what other people think; right?

Wrong...because it may be preventing us from meeting our potential significant other. Clothing is a way to show off our personalities; however, we don't want to come off

misconstrued.

Nowadays, perception is reality, and quite often, books are judged by their covers. Clothing plays a huge role in our lives and is the armor we put on every morning before we head out into the world. We don't want our clothing to potentially mislead someone from coming our way. We can all be intimidating or maybe not so fashion savvy. Keeping what we wear in mind and being open-minded may help us meet the right someone. Of course, always keep setting and dress code in mind.

Ladies and gents, not to worry! I've provided a few basic tips will keep you in the safe zone. Once you meet him/her...you're on your own! Till then, let these tips guide you to your next relationship!

**1. Grooming. Grooming is essential:** Clean hair, a good scent, freshly washed clothing, and a manicure will keep you looking fresh! This is such an easy way to complete your look and one of the most important!

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**2. Over dress rather than under dress:** This will seek positive attention and a bit of a mystery in a more casual environment. Looking sharp all the time is the way to go.

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**3. Statement pieces:** Let your statement piece show off your personality. Let it be something special. Ladies, maybe it's a studded clutch or jeweled necklace. Gentlemen, maybe it's your watch or a great pair of aviators. This is a great way to show who you are without having to have a conversation.

**4. Identify your body type and go through your closet to see what's most flattering on you:** See what colors work best for

you. When you look great, you feel great, and in return, do great things. Don't worry about current trends, worry about what makes you look amazing.

**5. Last but not least, smile:** This is most likely your best asset. Happiness and positivity will put you in the right direction and will attract other people in great spirits.

A few small tweaks and you're on your way to meeting "the one." Don't forget to invite me to your wedding!

*Ashley Martini, styling consultant and founding member of Martini Fashions, LLC, discreetly assists both men and women in unearthing and exhibiting their inner beauty through style, fashion, and the top trends. Ashley is the author of the new book on style, "Styletini: Shake Up Your Style, Stir Up Your Confidence".*

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## Look and Feel Beautiful This Summer in Plumeria Swimwear!





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By Laura Seaman

If you want to channel your favorite celebrity on your next beach vacation or trip to the pool, look no further than [Plumeria Swimwear](#)! These artisan-crafted bikinis are sure to catch the eye of that gorgeous lifeguard on duty. With their sleek and stylish Italian and Turkish materials, it's hard to believe that these stunning pieces are available for less than 130 dollars.

Gabrielle Cimon, the creative director and designer of the bikinis, wanted to create swimwear that was unforgettably sexy and that perfectly embraced a woman's body. She crafted unique, exotic, and fashion-forward designs that are accessible to the everyday woman. Now you can look like a *Sports Illustrated* model without paying typical designer prices! After all, every woman should have the chance to look like she just stepped out of the pool and into a photo shoot.

Let's start with the At the Copa bikini. This strappy,



Brazilian style helps you show off that great summer body with pride. You'll look and feel beautiful, and your crush is sure to notice. This suit leaves just enough to the imagination that every man in eyeshot will be wondering how to turn your confident stride in their direction.

Next up is the Caliente bikini. This fashionable suit will make sure you're the apple of any guy's eye, especially your summer fling's. The high cut bottoms and spaghetti straps add a little more oomph to your legs and cleavage that won't go unnoticed. You'll have him begging you to stay with him even after the weather starts to cool down.

With their Mediterranean influences and high-quality materials, these suits are unlike anything else you've seen in stores or magazines. With a style of their own, you can be sure that no other woman at the beach will stand out quite as much you.

This week, CupidsPulse.com is giving one lucky reader the chance to win one of these two bikinis in any available color. With these bikinis, it's important to get the correct size, so before sending us your entry, make sure to check the size guide on each bikini's description page linked above!

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**Dazzle On Your Next Date  
Night with Cate and Chloe VIP  
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By Laura Seaman

Make sure you shine this summer with some amazing new jewelry from Cate and Chloe! Sometimes, you need a little extra sparkle to brighten up that little black dress or to add some variety to an outfit you've worn so many times before. With the [Cate and Chloe](#) VIP package, it's not just a one-time deal. You get 2 new styles, valued at 200 dollars, delivered right to your doorstep every 15 days! Whether you're at the bar with your beau or dancing at the club with your girlfriends, you'll be the most radiant woman there.

Of course, the fun doesn't stop there. Each month, one of the pieces sent to you will be a pre-release item, available only to VIP members. And if you don't love your new jewelry, you can exchange it, no questions asked. Thanks to something dazzling catching his eye every time you walk through the door, your man won't be able to take his eyes off you.

If you love what you see and want to get more, the VIP package

also comes with 20 percent off all featured items from Cate & Chloe – perfect for that online shopaholic or jewelry fanatic. Plus, there are free giveaways and prizes for all members. No doubt you'll find that perfect accessory for your jewelry box!

Every girl deserves to feel like a princess, and with this VIP package, you'll feel like one on a daily basis. Lucky for you, CupidsPulse.com readers can get an extra 20 percent their first month as a member! That's a lot of bling for a little ca-ching. So if you want the chance to find a new treasure in your mailbox from Cate and Chloe twice a month, check out their VIP package today!

**For 20 percent off on your first month as a VIP member to CateandChloe.com, enter discount code CUPIDSPULSE20 at checkout\*. We hope you enjoy your beautiful new jewelry!**

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## **Giveaway: Get Spiffy This Summer with Spiffy Society Eyewear**





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By Louisa Gonzales

If you want to jump on board with one of latest celebrity trends, pick up a pair of Spiffy Society frames, with prices starting at only \$95. Famous faces like Solange Knowles, Taylor Lautner, and Kristin Cavallari have all been spotted wearing these stylish sunglasses. So if you want to emulate your favorite star, look stylish, *and* feel comfortable, these are the lenses for you!

Spiffy Society specializes in crafting handmade and vintage-vibe eyewear. The company is not afraid to go bold and switches out tired neutral colors for jewel tones and bright colors – perfect to capture the attention of your crush. Thanks to the 360-degree product views, Virtual Mirror Try-On, and Home Try-On Program, you'll be able to pick out the perfect pair *before* making your purchase. Plus, with the \$7 Peace of Mind Warranty, you won't have to worry about any scratches or other damages for two years.

Lucky for you, CupidsPulse.com is giving away a pair of these fabulous sunglasses! One reader will get to choose from two styles: If you want to channel your inner rockstar like Knowles, check out a pair of Marigot in Striped Marble Black. Or if you're into motorcycle boots and leather jackets, take a cue from *Twilight* star Lautner and complete your look with a pair of Black Monaco.

It's no surprise that you'll look hot this spring with a pair of Spiffy Society lenses. Rock these shades and have fun in the sun, whether you're heading to the beach, enjoying a picnic in the park, or biking on nearby trails. With Spiffy Society's many options, you'll have your beau eating out of the palm of your hand.

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Congratulations to Jessica Balkissoon!

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## Bonus Giveaway: Embrace Love and Support Our Troops With



# Bands for Arms



*This post is sponsored by Bands for Arms.*

By Kristin Mattern,

Every so often, something comes along that evokes an emotion. Bands for Arms bracelets are that kind of item. The unique bracelets are hand-crafted by volunteers and constructed out of donated pieces of old military uniforms, which were worn by our military men and women. 50 percent of the profits go to not-for-profit organizations that help our service members.

Founder Nicanor Padrigio Mendoza III believes that all U.S. military service members need to be able to feel connected to their loved ones back home. After the loss of his friend in 2009, he wanted to find a way to help service members make that happen. He also desired to spread the word of the

physical, mental, and emotional hardships that our armed forces endure and to provide support for those men and women.

~~This Valentine's Day, CupidsPulse.com will be giving away two bracelet/tee-shirt bundles from Bands for Arms which contain five bracelets to give your friends and family and one Military tee-shirt that supports breast cancer!~~

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Congratulations to Andrey Baker!

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## Giveaway: Share Your Feelings About Love With a Melanie Mar T-Shirt





*This*

*post is sponsored by Melanie Mar.*

By Brittany Stubbs

If you're anything like the staff at CupidsPulse.com, you love all things love. And, to help you express your feelings in a fun and fashionable way, we're excited to share the [LOVE t-shirt collection](#) by CupidsPulse.com contributing expert [Melanie Mar](#)!

You may recognize Mar as a relationship specialist, matchmaker and life coach from reality shows *The Millionaire Matchmaker* and [The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills](#). Her company, *Melanie Mar Love* offers an exclusive, boutique matchmaking service, catering to a wide range of professional businessmen, public figures, and celebrities. It's here that Mar focuses on teaching her clients how to avoid negative and self-destructive thoughts and speech patterns, leaving them empowered to achieve their life goals and eventually find love.

However, it was inevitable that this former runway and

photographic model would someday combine her expertise in relationships with her passion for fashion. The LOVE t-shirts feature three unique messages: Tainted Love, Pure Love, and Love Addict. Whether you're single and looking for your soul mate or happily partnered with the man of your dreams, these chic shirts are the perfect pieces to add to your wardrobe. Made from a beautiful burnout fabric with a luxurious soft cotton feel, they are so comfortable, you can wear them out on the town, to the gym, or even to bed!

Lucky for you, we'll be giving away one shirt to three lucky CupidsPulse.com readers. Always remember that the LOVE t-shirts were created with love for anyone who loves to love!

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Congratulations to Annette Prejean, Ann Marie Rehm, and Jennifer Ross!

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## Celebrity Video Interview: Brad Goreski Says, "I Think

# We're Going to See an Explosion of Glamour" at the Oscars



Interview by [Whitney Johnson](#).

In our celebrity video interview, we talked to fashion stylist Brad Goreski about the fashion at Sunday night's Grammys as well as his tips for [date night](#) looks. "The number one trend that I loved was the metallics," the reality TV star says, citing Taylor Swift, Chrissy Tiegen ("the golden goddess of the evening"), and Rita Ora as gorgeous examples. Plus, he reveals his predictions for the upcoming Oscars: "I think we're going to see an explosion of glamour."

**Related Link:** [Celeb Stylist Rachel Zoe and Brad Goreski Split](#)

# Celebrity Stylist Talks Date Night Looks

When it comes to a date night, Goreski encourages women to look beyond what they're wearing. "Starting off with really good hair, makeup, and skin is super duper important," he explains. "Your skin should definitely be glowing on Valentine's Day!" He also says that you should invest in a show-stopping coat to amp up your look this winter. Watch the celebrity video interview above for more!

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## Giveaway: Give Your Feet the Attention They Deserve with Foot Cardigan





*This*

*s post is sponsored by Foot Cardigan.*

By Leslie Chavez

Sometimes, socks get treated like the younger, less impressive sibling to lingerie in the undergarment family. We all have our share of boring, white or grey mismatched socks – perhaps with holes in the toes. It's far too rare that we treat ourselves to a new pair. Months go by, and we continue to neglect our feet's need to be accessorized, while our derri~re gets all the attention. But socks can be just as fun and flirty as silky slips! With Foot Cardigan's monthly subscription, you'll be receiving creative, exciting socks throughout the year. Your socks will never be overshadowed by another undergarment again.

Foot Cardigan is a monthly sock subscription service that guarantees a new pair of unpredictably funky and unique socks every thirty days. That's right: Each month, they deliver a pair of zany socks to your mailbox, and you won't know what the design is until you open up the package.



What if you don't like the socks you get, you ask? Well, the creators of Foot Cardigan say that this is simply impossible because "you will love them, wear them, and your life will be better because of them." To see some designs they've sent to their subscribers, check out the #sockstagram feed on Instagram.

The folks at Foot Cardigan say that their socks are made out of "a heartfelt desire to improve the world one foot at a time," along with 75 percent cotton, 20 percent polyester, and 5 percent spandex. Plus, they include the secret ingredients of "1.7 percent laughter, and the last twinkle of a distant dying star."

Put an end to wearing those colorless socks and embellish your arches in Foot Cardigan's outrageously fabulous accessories. It'll be a fun new adventure for your previously neglected feet. And the ongoing anticipation to see which interesting pair you'll get next will no doubt keep you on your toes. Your feet will be delightfully surprised all year round!

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**Congrats to Sandy Green!**

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# Eliminate Stiletto Suffering While 'Still Standing' and Staying True to Your Inner Fashionista



*This post is sponsored by Still Standing.*

By Kristin Mattern

Every girl loves her shoes, especially those sky-high heels that give any outfit an instant boost, not to mention an extra thrust of confidence; which comes in handy when trying to dress to impress for a hot date. Sadly, after the initial rush of pleasure from putting on those high-heeled beauties, you can't escape the inevitable pain that comes from standing,

walking, or dancing in your stilettos – until now! With *Still Standing* gel spray, you can wear your favorite pair of shoes without the pain and strut your glamorous stuff all day and into date night!

Founder Lyn Butler was very familiar with the discomfort that stylish heels can cause. From going barefoot under her desk at work to trying gel inserts and carrying fold up flats in her purse, she was in search of a solution. She knew the real problem was that the high heel shifts feet into an unnatural position, pushing them forward into the top of the shoe. This balancing act is an equation for hot, puffy, and irritated feet – something Butler has labeled “Stiletto Suffering” – and as time goes by, the situation only gets worse. Rather than try to get around the problem, she took it head on and decided to try to create a topical formula that would keep feet feeling cool, fresh, and comfortable under duress. And so, *Still Standing* was born.

Fashionistas everywhere rejoice! *Still Standing* is true to its word and delivers comfort that lasts up to four hours—perfect for a long set of dancing with your sweetie in the club, or walking the bar strip hand in hand. Utilizing a mix of natural remedies for inflammation and pain, including arnica and aloe, as well as cooling menthol, *Still Standing* provides temporary relief from the discomfort of your favorite shoes. Now, you can go out on date night in style without worrying that your feet will be throbbing with pain louder than the throb of your heart!

We at CupidsPulse.com tested it out for ourselves, and after several hours of parading around the office followed by a night on the town, *Still Standing* lived up to its word. Some of the girls even took it with them for their evening out with their man. They reported that their feet had never felt more comfortable in their high-heels, allowing them to spend more time concentrating on that good night kiss and less time thinking about the growing ache caused by their shoes. The

clear and fast-drying formula allowed us to spray the calming formula and, after just a minute, immediately put our shoes on. Having your feet smell faintly of menthol is a bit odd, but luckily, the smell wears off quickly thanks to the rapid evaporation technology of the spray. Plus, the calming feeling is worth that moment of minty toes.

While *Still Standing* does wear off and the effects vary person-to-person, the convenient, purse size bottle allowed us to take *Still Standing* with us. The spray can be used up to four times in a day, and we found that when we sprayed our feet before going out and in the middle of the night, we never had the urge to remove our heels to hit the dance floor or even on the car ride home! Plus, you can spray *Still Standing* right over stockings because it is so light and quick drying, making it simple and easy to use while out with your guy – without him noticing. What a difference *Still Standing* made! This unique spray is a must-have for anyone who loves fashion and enjoys wearing heels either to the office, on date night, or both.

**CupidsPulse.com loves *Still Standing* so much that we're giving away two bottles of the spray. Plus, we're offering 5 dollars off with discount code CUPID through November 30th.**

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**Congratulations to Bari Rubin!**

*For more information on Still Standing and to purchase the*

*product, visit the site at [stillstandingspray.com](http://stillstandingspray.com). Connect with them on Facebook and Twitter to read more testimonials about this fantastic product!*

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## **Share Community Love and Fuel the Movement With RipeBrand T-Shirts**



*s post is sponsored by RipeBrand.*

By Priyanka Singh

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“Do Good, Feel Good, Look Good” is the motto to live by if you love RipeBrand as much as we do. One important aspect of maintaining a fulfilling relationship is learning how to share love in a positive way RipeBrand aims to do the same thing on a community-wide level. They promote their passion for community awareness in Los Angeles by making three bold-colored, vegetable-dyed t-shirts labeled grape, pomegranate, and zucchini. Nicholas Chang, a Berkeley graduate, founded RipeBrand as a way to spread the word about youth, health, and poverty issues among young adults and encourage them to volunteer within their local communities.

The shirts are made out of locally-grown cotton, manufactured in California, and printed through a water-based discharge system, which is the cleanest in the industry, according to Chang. The company made Los Angeles the landing spot, but Chang hopes that they can continue to expand across the country and spread the community love outside of “home.”

Of course, these super-soft and environmentally friendly t-shirts are more than just a fashion statement. “We have real life problems and real life people, and that’s where fashion comes in. It’s something you can wear, you can support, and you can get involved with and show people that you’re a living symbol of the brand,” the founder says. He explains that wearing these shirts symbolizes that getting involved in this movement isn’t just a one-time deal; it’s a growth process that allows you to “ripen” as you become more aware of what’s happening right in your own backyard. When you’re in a committed relationship, it’s essentially the same process: As you devote more time and effort to your partner, you see your love ripen and grow.

Almost 50 percent of the revenue the company makes goes to non-profit organizations that promote awareness for youth, health, and poverty issues. Currently, there have been eight non-profit organizations that officially launched and partnered with RipeBrand.

Chang has a three-step process that can help you find a way to give back to your community as well. Share a more meaningful experience with your significant other, sit down and take time to think about what you're both passionate about. Then, utilize your resources to do some research on the topic and learn more about it. And last but not least, get out there in your local community and *just do it!* It's a great way to not only build a stronger bond with your love, but learn how to share the wealth with your own community!

The shirts are available to purchase on RipeBrand.org, but CupidsPulse.com is giving three readers the chance to win one of their own!

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This giveaway is now closed. Thank you to those who participated!

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## **'The Chew' Star Clinton Kelly Believes That "Life Is All**



# About Trying New Things”



By

Kristin Mattern

Clinton Kelly, well-known star of *What Not To Wear* and *The Chew*, has taken on yet another endeavor in which he combines his flair for style with his passion for food: He's now serving as the spokesperson for The National Mango Board's "Mangover." What is Mangover? Mango plus makeover equals Mangover! Kelly shares his love of the fruit and gets the word out about how nutritious, versatile and simple mangoes are to use.

*The Chew* star has had a love affair with mangoes for a long time, so becoming the spokesperson for Mangover was a natural move. "I'm a big fan. I also love that this fruit is available all year round. I love the fact that a cup of mango has 100

percent of your daily recommended vitamin D and only 100 calories,” Kelly remarks. “Plus, they’re part of the clean 15 – a group of fruit that you don’t have to buy organic, which is important.”

Mangoes aren’t only nutritious; they’re also easy to substitute into meals. “They have this great texture that’s firm and works in certain recipes when you need a fruit to hold up. You can even grill a mango,” Kelly points out. “It’s got a perfect balance of sweetness where it’s not sickeningly sweet and not tasteless either; it’s right in the middle.”

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Not afraid to experiment with tastes, Kelly comes up with some unconventional recipes like Grilled Ham and Cheese with Mango. If you want to try some of his unique recipes but are dating a finicky eater, the chef recommends making a mango sauce on the side, so your partner can decide if they want to try the mango-concoction or not. “Though I have to tell you,” confesses the star, “I’m not a big fan of people who are *that* picky when it comes to eating. I don’t think that they make good partners. That somebody will not even *try* new foods generally means that they’re not going to try a lot of other new things either – and life is all about trying new things.” Sage advice from a happily married man!

For date nights in the fall with husband Damon Bayles, Kelly says he’s looking forward to roasting a delicious chicken. “There is a great recipe with chicken that I’m doing on *The Chew*,” he shares. “You make a mixture of cloved garlic, fresh parsley, salt, and cinnamon. Turn it into a paste using a food processor; put it under the skin of the chicken; and then roast the chicken for about an hour or so.”

The style pro has some tips for date night fashion too. “When it comes to the first date, it’s important that you feel

beautiful because that gives you confidence.” Kelly suggests wearing your favorite color or a print that represents you. “I would recommend being tastefully sexy. That means wearing clothes that show off your shape but don’t necessarily reveal too much skin.” The *What Not to Wear* stylist proposes a great pencil skirt, blouse, micro-fishnet tights, and a pair of heels.

When it comes to meeting his parents, he says to communicate with your significant other to find out what his family is like. If they are jean people, wear jeans; if they’re fancy, wear a dressier outfit. He adds, “The general rule of thumb when going on a job interview or meeting someone’s parents for the first time is chest, not breast. You can wear something that is V-neck and shows your décolletage, but don’t take it any further.”

**Related Link:** [Kathy Hilton Discusses Fashion Week and Her Collection](#)

For weddings, he advises avoiding white (of course) and being careful with red. “There is always that woman in the red dress every time I go to a wedding. She’s wearing a low-cut, short red dress with a shine to it. There’s something about it that almost feels like you’re trying to steal the attention away from the bride. You want to be classy at a wedding.” He suggests choosing colors that fit the season, like gem and dark colors for fall and winter and light, bright colors for spring and summer.

Adding to his resume, Kelly recently wrote a book, *Freaking Fabulous on a Budget*, which comes out tomorrow and provides readers with tips on how to hone their style, cook great food, and make cocktails and crafts for the home on a budget. This star certainly does it all!

*To learn more about Kelly, connect with him on Pinterest, Twitter @clinton\_kelly, and Facebook. Visit*

*clintonkelly.com and be sure to watch him on The Chew! To purchase his new book, check it out on Amazon.*

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# Favorite Celebrity Wedding Dresses



By

Jennifer Harrington

For those of us who love to follow celebrity news, it's always fun to follow what the stars wear on their wedding days. Some celebrities choose styles that establish the future trends for other brides, and others choose dresses that more closely mirror their persona, unique sense of style. Given we are in

the midst of summer wedding season, here is a look at some of Cupid's favorite celebrity wedding dresses:

### **Kate Middleton**

As soon as Prince William and Kate Middleton announced their long-anticipated engagement, the world began speculating about what Kate would wear on her wedding day. April 29, 2011, as two billion people around the world watched, the royal wedding dress was revealed. Kate chose a dress designed by Sarah Burton for Alexander McQueen. The dress was described by *The Telegraph* (UK) as "a model of sumptuous simplicity, perfectly suited to the sweet and serene style of the woman who is now Duchess of Cambridge and is destined to be the future Queen of England."

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### **Katie Holmes**

Let's forget for a moment that Katie Holmes and Tom Cruise are now divorced, and remember that back in 2006, the couple had a whirlwind romance and welcomed daughter Suri before they celebrated their wedding in Italy. To exchange wedding vows with her movie star husband November 18, 2006, Katie chose a romantic off-the-shoulder gown designed by Giorgio Armani. The designer remarked when Katie first appeared, "It was, by far, the most charged moment of the evening." Seven-month-old Suri wore an ivory silk dress designed to match her mom's iconic gown.

### **Jessica Simpson**

When pop star Jessica Simpson married fellow singer Nick Lachey October 26, 2002, she chose a Vera Wang custom strapless dress with a 11-carat Harry Winston pave diamond headband attached to her veil. While the dress was fit for a princess and the wedding seemed like a fairy tale, the

marriage between Jessica and Nick did not last. As Jessica looks toward the future and has plans to marry her current beau, Eric Johnson, she speculates when it's time to pick her next dress, she will choose something low-cut and said, "I want it to be different from what I've had before."

### **Gwen Stefani**

Gwen Stefani has her own rock star style that is often colorful, bold and daring. When she married fellow musician Gavin Rossdale September 14, 2002, she chose a custom-made dress that was girly and punk – a perfect mix for her fashion taste. Her dress was John Galliano by Dior and was pink ombre. Gwen liked her dress so much she had a second wedding ceremony, just so she could wear the dress again!

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### **Lisa Ling**

Journalist Lisa Ling exchanged wedding vows with Paul Song, a physician, May 26, 2007. The invitation to the wedding provided a sneak peek of what guests could expect from Lisa's wedding dress, reading "If you're cool, you'll dress Asian chic." Lisa walked down the aisle wearing a red dress with a metallic print, designed by Vivienne Tam. The breathtaking dress, while seemingly an unconventional choice, was true to the couple's Asian-roots and their Asian-inspired wedding ceremony.

**Who would you say is the best-dressed celebrity bride? Should we add anyone to our favorite celebrity wedding dress list? Comment below.**

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# Giveaway: Dazzling Jewelry Pieces from BijouxX



*This post is sponsored by BijouxX.*

By Petra Halbur

It's amazing how one or two pieces of jewelry can impact, not only how others perceive you, but how you perceive yourself. It's no coincidence that in every culture, from ancient Mesopotamia to 21st century New York City, people have adorned themselves with bracelets, rings, and necklaces. To an alien species, it might seem to be a strange practice, but we understand that there's just something about the mild weight of a pair of dangle earrings or the sparkle of an elegant ring that makes you hold your head higher, stand straighter, and



smile more brightly.

It's also a form of self-expression: a daily opportunity to show the world who you are or, perhaps, who you want to be.

The combination of classic and modern designs in your jewelry ensemble imbues you with the appearance and the confidence of one who has timeless taste yet is still up-to-date on all the current trends. Perhaps no brand strikes the balance between old and new more effortlessly than [Bijouxx](#), a new virtual store dedicated to making luxury affordable.

"It's been a dream of mine to open up a retail jewelry business, and after much research, I am excited to be able to bring something unique to the market," states David Ryan Pomije, Chief Executive Officer.

Bijouxx takes pride in blending classic and modern designs into their gorgeous gemstone, diamond, yellow gold, white gold, rose gold, and sterling silver products, all of which is priced under \$1,000.

Their [Macey's Amethyst Drops](#) are a beautiful pair of dangle earrings made of 0.25ct diamond, 8.90ct amethyst, and 14k rose gold. Ancient Egyptians used to wear amethysts to fend off feelings of guilt or fear. Their [Fab Pink Ring](#) is a double checkerboard cut pink sapphire sterling silver ring. Pink sapphires have been traditionally associated with the ability to overcome shyness. So, if you're feeling nervous before a date, the amethyst drops earrings and pink sapphire ring can give you the confidence boost you need – if not for the folklore, then for the stunning addition they will make to your ensemble.

Now, CupidsPulse.com and Bijouxx are teaming up to offer two CupidsPulse.com readers a Fab Pink Ring, valued at \$89.99!

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~~style the ring. We will contact the winners via [Facebook](#) when the contest is over, and they will have three days to respond back with their contact information. The deadline to enter is 5 pm EST on Monday, September 30th. Good luck!~~

Congratulations to Wendy Walts Riding and Lara Thoms!

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# Kathy Hilton Discusses Fashion Week and Her Collection





Int

erview by [Lori Bizzoco](#). Editorial by Sarah Ribeiro.

With New York Fashion Week currently underway, it's fun to catch up with your favorite celebrities and see how they're participating. During our chat with Kathy Hilton earlier this summer, we spoke to the businesswoman about designing her fashion line and staying inspired.

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Hilton launched The Kathy Hilton Collection in the spring of 2011. This line of dresses offers women high-fashion apparel at reasonable costs. The entrepreneur describes her line as "exquisite evening wear that mixes high society with marketplace prices." She designs her dresses for women of all ages, and the line is available in over 400 fine boutiques and at major retailers – including Saks Fifth Avenue, Neiman Marcus and Nordstrom stores – nationwide and in 28 countries.

Always looking to challenge herself, Hilton will be launching additional lines of handbags and home goods soon. "My

collection is a little bit of everything, which is important," she explains. "I don't want people walking in and saying, 'Oh, everything looks the same.'"

This, says the designer, is what made the Kathy Hilton Collection so significant at its onset. Hilton was approached by Mon Cheri CEO Steve Lang after years of run-ins at couture shows in Paris, Milan, and New York, and he asked her to design a dress line. "I was over the moon and excited. It's every girl's dream. Who wouldn't want to design their own fashion line?" she exclaims. "I told him my collection would have to be something that makes sense. I wanted to create something to fill a void. I'm sick of spending over a thousand dollars on a dress. There's nothing out there that's beautiful and affordable, so I decided to make something that doesn't break the bank, something that's timeless and classic – no frills, stones, or lace all over the place."

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What's most important to Hilton's collection, though, is its accessibility. "I want to be able to dress my nieces, my daughters, myself, and my friends – women of all ages and all body types."

While the Kathy Hilton Collection will not be shown at New York Fashion Week, the famous face will still be attending the shows for inspiration. "I think it takes a couple years to be established. It's something to look forward to."

*Stay tuned for our final post about Hilton, which will focus on her entertaining tips! In the meantime, you can check her out on Twitter @KathyHilton and [www.facebook.com/OfficialKathyHilton](http://www.facebook.com/OfficialKathyHilton).*

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# Giveaway: Pull Off Summer Looks Without Baring It All, Thanks to Second Base



*This post is sponsored by Second Base.*

By Kristin Mattern

When dressing for a night on the town in the middle of summer, every fashionista has run into the same dilemma: it's too hot to cover everything up, but you don't want to reveal too much skin either. You've sweated through it and bared it all enough times, and you're done with the summer-time dress code blues.

Luckily, you don't have to decide between leaving nothing to the imagination or feeling like you're wearing a parka in the middle of a steamy Arabian night. Introducing Second Base, the trendy wardrobe solution every woman has been searching for. These stylish, lightweight camisoles keep you covered up without sacrificing your fashion sense. Plus, you can look sexy and impress your guy without sending the wrong signals.

Inspired by the sheer trends of the summer 2013 runway, Second Base sells camisoles in three different lengths: a short Demi, a mid-length Midi and a longer Maxi. These camis are perfect to slip under that dress that's just a bit too see-through, the shirt with the *plunging* neckline and those backless tops. Sport the latest styles on your next date with confidence and class thanks to these versatile camis.

Here at CupidsPulse.com, we adore Second Base's Celeste line of camisoles that are made of gorgeous lace with adjustable straps. They're so soft, you can even sleep in them! These garments are perfect for any time of day but are essentials for a romantic evening. Grab a nude Celeste Demi for some foxy flare under a sheer blouse. For a layered look, the Celeste Midi in white is an easy way to give a feminine touch to a camo-tank – you can rock the rebel trend while still feeling girly. Maxi dresses are always in vogue for the summer and perfect for a casual dinner with your honey. To make this trend really sizzle, layer the black Celeste Maxi underneath to turn any normal maxi dress into a glamorous ensemble. Your babe is sure to go ga-ga over the little peeks of skin these sexy camisoles provide.

Second Base's trend-inspired and stylish tops are made to satisfy even the pickiest fashionista. **Lucky for you, CupidsPulse.com is giving one reader all three of these beautiful Celeste camisoles.** Don't miss this opportunity to stun your sweetie with how stylish and classy you can be!

**~~GIVEAWAY ALERT: To enter for a chance to win three~~**

Celeste camisoles (demi, midi and maxi) from Second Base, go to our [Facebook](#) page and click "like." Leave a comment under our giveaway post letting us know you want to enter the contest and how you'll style your new tanks. We will contact the winner via [Facebook](#) when the contest is over, and they will have three days to respond back with their contact information. The deadline to enter is 5 pm EST on Monday, August 19th. Good luck!

Congratulations to Erika Anderson Williams!

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**Feel Beautiful and Flawless  
in Voda Swim – As Seen on  
'Bachelorette' Desiree  
Hartsock!**







*This*

*post is sponsored by Voda Swim.*

By Sarah Ribeiro

Summer's here! It's time for some fun in the sun and sand with your friends, family and maybe that special someone. Your beach trip won't be perfect without the right swimsuit though. Take a cue from *Bachelorette* Desiree Hartsock and starlet AnnaLynne McCord: they're showing off their hot bikini bodies in Voda Swim. These bathing suits are sure to make you feel great and to catch your man's (or crush's) attention.

Voda Swim is a line created by designer and international print model Yulia Drummond. Her model body may have given her success, but she found herself self-conscious of her small bust when wearing a swimsuit. Yulia and her husband Dustin created Voda Swim for women like her who want to make the most of what they have. With a swimsuit from Voda, you can stop focusing on your insecurities and be a sexy, confident vixen at the beach, in the pool or even at that upcoming Fourth of

July lake party.

Voda swimsuits like the Envy Push Up provide the perfect soft, flexible padding to enhance the breast and visually increase the bust by one to two cup sizes. It will give you maximum cleavage, lift and support while looking like a regular bikini.

Now, one lucky CupidsPulse.com reader will win one of these Voda Swim bathing suits as seen on Hartsock and McCord above!

~~GIVEAWAY ALERT: To enter for a chance to win a Voda Swim bathing suit, go to Voda Swim's Facebook page and click "like." Then, head to our [Facebook](#) page and click "like." Leave a comment under our giveaway post letting us know that you liked Voda Swim and which swimsuit you'd prefer – AnnaLynne's or Desiree's. We will contact the winner via [Facebook](#) when the contest is over, and they will have three days to respond back with their contact information. The deadline to enter is 5 pm EST on Monday, July 8th. Good luck!~~

Congratulations to Lauren Migdon!

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**Giveaway: Who Is Your  
#PerfectBachelor? Tell Us and  
Enter to Win a Pair of  
Brilliance Diamond Earrings!**





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By Kerri Sheehan

Nothing is more brilliant than finding the perfect man. But winning a pair of beautiful and sparkling diamond earrings by Brilliance Diamonds would be a close second! Not only will they dress up your typical outfit like nothing else, but having one in each ear will make every day seem like a party. Plus, the glimmer near your eyes will brighten up your whole face and make even the most tired gal look more energized. These white gold, four-pronged diamonds feature a classic round-cut stone, sure to make every fashionista jealous.

That's why CupidsPulse.com is teaming up with Brilliance Diamonds to give one lucky winner a pair of diamond earrings – worth over \$1,600! – that will put a smile on their face. As we all know, *The Bachelor* and *The Bachelorette* have had their fair share of male contestants who are sexy, smart and sophisticated, so it's only fitting to use them as the inspiration for The Perfect Man contest. Whether you're

looking for someone with a creative personality, strong moral character, practical skills or nice abs, there is a perfect man out there for you!

Many of us are still looking for that perfect man. So we want to know: Who is your #PerfectBachelor? Do you like Sean Lowe's all-American looks? Or did you fall for Michael Stagliano's sweet smile? Tell us your thoughts via Twitter from now until June 27th, and you'll automatically be entered for a chance to win. The first place winner will win a pair of classic round-cut diamond stud earrings held in a white gold, four-prong setting, retailing for \$1,625. Each diamond weighs 1/4 carat for a total diamond weight of 1/2 carat. Additionally, ten second place winners will each receive a \$25 gift card from Restaurants.com.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: To enter our #PerfectBachelor contest, all you have to do is tweet @cupidspulse and @brilliancecorp with your favorite bachelor and tell us why he makes your heart beat faster. Don't forget to include the hashtag #PerfectBachelor! Each tweet will be considered one automatic entry, and each Twitter account is allowed ten entries but only one per tweet. The winners will be randomly selected when the contest ends on Thursday, June 27th.**~~

**This giveaway is now closed.**

*Be sure to tune in tonight for The Bachelorette premiere on ABC at 8/7c!*

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## **Top 7 Best-Dressed Celebrity**

# Couples of 2013



By

Dixie Somers

Celebrity couples are almost always in sync in the fashion department. They coordinate their clothes most of the time, so their outfits usually complement each other. Here are the seven best-dressed celebrity couples we would all love to imitate in 2013:

## 1. Will and Kate

Arguably the most adorable and loved celebrity couples, Prince William and Kate Middleton always bring their A-game in the fashion department. The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge always look put-together, stylish and classy. From Will's elegant suits and crisp footwear to Kate's ladylike-chic look, it's no

wonder why this couple tops the list of the best dressed celebrity lovebirds.

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## **2. Liam and Miley**

This adorable couple has the same edgy street style that consist of grungy band shirts and polished jeans, but when they walk the red carpet, they definitely turn heads in a good way. Miley Cyrus usually sports an edgy/elegant dress that complements Liam Hemsworth's crisp suits in the best of ways. As a result, they will always be known as a fashionable couple.

## **3. Will and Jada**

Will Smith and Jada Pinkett-Smith always look superb on the red carpet. Because they both have a retro glamour style, they complement each other's look perfectly. Jada always wears sexy yet sophisticated gowns that fit her body perfectly, and Will always looks sharp in his suits and tuxedos.

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## **4. David and Victoria**

Posh Spice and Beckham always look amazing. Victoria's style is always trendy, always fashionable and always jaw-dropping. In fact, Posh is one of the most fashionable women in the world. Combine her fashion sense with Beckham's suave look and you've got a well-dressed celebrity couple who turn heads whenever they walk in a room.

## **5. Eva and Ryan**

Goodness, don't Eva Mendes and Ryan Gosling make such a cute couple? They also make a fashionable pair. Gosling always looks like, well, a celebrity, and so does Eva. Eva's

glamorous flair pairs perfectly with Ryan's simple yet luxurious style.

## **6. Gwen and Gavin**

This rocker pair always looks edgy and cool whether they're walking the carpet or just strolling. Gwen Stefani's edgy style looks amazing when paired with her hubby, Gavin Rossdale's similar rocker-cool look.

## **7. Emma and Andrew**

This adorable couple is a match made in heaven. Emma Stone and Andrew Garfield have different styles, but they complement each other perfectly. On one hand, you've got Emma who wears some of the most beautifully sophisticated dresses on the carpet. On the other hand, you've got Andrew who likes to wear unexpected pieces like bold suits. Together, they look amazing.

*This article was written by Dixie Somers. [Reem clothing](#) offers trendy, fashionable clothing that is sure to spice up your man's closet.*