

Check Out the First Blockbuster of 2012: 'The Hunger Games'!



2012's first big movie is right around the corner. *The Hunger Games* not only features a strong female heroine, it also features a complex love triangle. The upcoming action film stars Jennifer Lawrence, Liam Hemsworth, and Josh Hutcherson as the love struck teenagers who may be forced to take each others' life. Katniss and Peeta (Lawrence and Hutcherson respectively) are both selected for the Hunger Games, a reality TV sensation in a dystopian future where teenagers fight to the death. But the two of them suffer a connection as they are supposed to play up their relationship to get more viewers. However, Katniss also has Gale (Hemsworth), a hunting partner that she has suppressed feelings for. Who will Katniss choose? Will she have to kill Peeta?

Should You See It? In a word, yes. *The Hunger Games* looks to be an exciting movie and could be a great date movie that both

parties will enjoy.

Who To Take: You or your significant other may enjoy the action, but *The Hunger Games* also has a loyal fanbase who read the book. A group of friends may work for this one as well. Just don't take your mother, the gore factor is pretty intense.

Are you forced to kill your significant other? How to get out of that and other difficult situations.

In *The Hunger Games*, Katniss is potentially forced to kill someone she has a connection with. While you may not share this problem with her, in many ways it's a classic *Romeo and Juliet* style problem. Here are some ways to get through really tough situations that test your relationship like nothing else could.

1. Prove everyone else wrong. People pit you against each other just to prove that it cannot work. If you and your significant other can prove them wrong then you have won.

2. Stick together. If you can't stick together and be there for each other then you have nothing. If you can comfort each other and only worry about yourselves rather what everyone else thinks, you two have the right stuff to pull through these difficult times.

3. Do what is best for them. If it is meant to be then do whatever it takes. Sometimes that includes leaving until things can get better. If it is meant to be then it will happen, but maybe now there is simply too much going on for any one person to handle. Do what you have to do and hopefully things will work out for the best.

Have you had to get through some really difficult times? Share your experiences below.

Change Your Jewelry as Often as You Change Your Shoes



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A woman loves her shoes, but how amazing would it be to be able to change your jewelry as often? There are many times where you find yourself all glammed up and ready for your girls' night out in your perfect outfit, but are just missing that one piece of jewelry that would complete your look. It's difficult to afford some of the glamorous necklaces and rings you see in magazines and on celebrities. You can be the first to wear the newest fashions, Jennalogan.com has endless options of fine jewelry for you to RENT, or even buy, at a low cost. Now you can look like an A-Lister without busting your budget. It's the perfect opportunity to dress up your outfit for occasions such as your best friend's wedding or a date to a fancy restaurant.

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'Bridesmaids' + 'Friends with Benefits' = 'Friends with Kids'





By Matthew Dougherty

Off the heels of last year's smash hit *Bridesmaids*, comes this romantic comedy which happens to contain many of the cast members of that film. Kristen Wiig, Maya Rudolph, Jon Hamm and Chris O'Dowd all return from that already classic comedy for this movie about six friends, four of whom are married to another member of the group. The two left over decide to have kids without relationship problems getting in the way. But is that ever really possible? This movie can be seen as *Friends with Benefits* for people in their 30's, and it could be the birth of yet another great movie romance.

Should You See It? Yes. Even though the plot is typical, the cast is fantastic and the trailer provides some funny moments. With the R rating, many of the film's funniest moments likely could not make it into the trailer. Also, how can you resist seeing Kristen Wiig and Jon Hamm on screen together again?

Who To Take: This could be a great date movie or a simple outing with your friends. That said, the R rating means that a lot of the humor may be vulgar, so maybe don't ask your mom to this one.

How do you tell if a friend can be made into more?

In *Friends with Kids*, the two main characters trying to conceive a child seemingly have no romantic connection.

Naturally, one seems to develop anyway, leading them to consider something more than friendship. This is something that does not just happen in the movies. Sometimes the right person for you is hiding behind a cloud of friendship. Here is how to tell when try out a romance:

1. You have a lot in common: Do you like the same movies, restaurants, or activities? If so, on some level you know how much fun you will have dating this person.

2. You have the same friends: If you have all of the same friends, you know that you like the same type of people, including each other. However, you also need to be able to be comfortable hanging out with each other one-on-one.

3. They already treat you like their significant other: Look at how your “friend” treats you. Is he nicer to you than anyone else? Are you the same way to him? Are there things that only you two know about each other? Are you comfortable with each others’ families? These are all possible signs that your friend might be relationship material, and perhaps even the best relationship you’ve ever had.

Do you have experience with a friend becoming more than a friend? Share with us below.

Giveaway: Steal Lauren Conrad’s Fashion Dos for Date Night & Enter to Win a Stella

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By [Ann Csincsak](#)

After watching this gorgeous gal on our favorite guilty pleasure, *The Hills*, Lauren Conrad not only became a household name but also a fashion trendsetter. She looks great no matter what the situation and that's why this week she is our featured celebrity for her fabulous date looks! Lauren is perfect at using accessories to make her casual daytime outfits turn into fabulous fashion statements.

This first look (image above) is ideal for grabbing coffee with your guy. Lauren wears this neutral dress with some amazing accessories. Browns and neutrals look great with gold accessories, pink polish, and all the new spring colors.

This next look works for weekend brunch or a weekend away. Remember: men love when women look effortless, so even if you spend 45 minutes to do your messy bun and red nailpolish it's the little things that take your outfit from a 2 to a 10!

GIVEAWAY ALERT: This week, we are giving away a piece from one of my favorite jewelry companies so that you can take some of these great looks home with you. No one does it better than Stella & Dot Jewelry and we are giving away one of my favorites that was recently featured in People magazine and worn by the upcoming ABC Season 8, *Bachelorette*, Emily Maynard.

~~For a chance to win the giveaway, just go to the this [Facebook](#) page, click on the 'LIKE' button and leave a comment saying you want to enter the giveaway and you are immediately entered! We will contact the winner on their Facebook page when the contest has finished. Don't wait, this necklace is valued at \$198.00, so ENTER NOW! Remember: click on the [link here](#)! If your interested in ordering this gorgeous necklace click [here](#).~~

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HowAboutWe.com: Where Chemistry Happens Offline





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If you're looking for love online and haven't found it yet, perhaps all it takes is a little *offline* help. You see, many singles meet potential partners online and carry on great conversations via email but sometimes that's as far as it ever goes. Or, they spend weeks, even months, emailing someone that they think could be a long-term partner but when they meet in person they realize that they have nothing in common.

Online dating is a brilliant way to meet someone new but the the real connection happens when two people are face-to-face.

That's why we were excited when we saw the launch of HowAboutWe.com's recent commercial, *Chemisty Happens Offline*.

HowAboutWe.com really "gets it." They influence their members to get out there and go on dates when they find an initial connection. In fact, they are so committed to this idea that they are running a very cool contest asking people to submit their own video explaining what "Chemisty Happens Offline" means to them. The video with the most votes could walk away with \$1,500. Here's a look at the video we pulled together:

Remember to enter the contest and vote for your favorite video by "liking" it. Also as part of the promotion, those who sign up for HowAboutWe.com are eligible to take 33% off their subscription simply by using Coupon Code: **VDAYLOVE**

Here are five reasons why we at CupidsPulse.com feel that people need to go offline to find love:

1. Unflattering Photos: Some people aren't photogenic and they actually look better in person than they do in a photo. Someone's personality and mannerisms can also add to a person's attractiveness. As they say, Beauty is in the Eye of the Beholder. It's hard to get an impression or build chemistry from a one-dimensional image.

2. Poorly Written Emails: Many people, mainly men, are not the best writers or good at expressing themselves. It's hard to read the tone of someone's voice or know when they are using wit and humor. Verbal communication is necessary in order to build chemistry.

3. Impersonal Connection: Even if your email chatter creates an initial spark there's only so much you can build and sustain over the internet. Meeting offline allows you to ascertain facial expressions, eye contact, body language and host of other physical attributes.

4. Lack of Trust: You really don't know who you're talking to when communicating over a mobile device, or computer screen. There have been many cases where people make fake profiles, use photos from twenty years ago or they're in a serious relationship and just looking to have fun. Meeting someone online is great initially, but if they're reluctant to meet you in person, it could be a red flag that they aren't being truthful.

5. No Physical Interaction: If you want to establish chemistry you need to date. You have to observe your potential love interest in various situations, everything from how he acts at a restaurant to the conversation he has with your friends to how he treats his own mother. These things can't be experienced online.

Jennifer Aniston and Paul Rudd Join a Commune in 'Wanderlust'



By Matthew Dougherty

This one comes from the director of the hit comedy *Role Models*, which is already a good sign. The film stars two great comedic actors, Paul Rudd and Jennifer Aniston, as a married couple who find themselves victims of the economy when Rudd's character gets fired from his job. Forced to leave their pricey sanctuary in Manhattan, the couple ends up joining a commune of sorts and begin living among them. Naturally, comedy ensues. The trailer has some pretty hysterical moments. Also, it should be noted that the movie is rated R, which is usually a good sign for comedies like this.

Should You See It? Yes, this is going to be a nice,

lighthearted romantic comedy right in the middle of the all too serious Oscar season. If you like either of the stars or the director's previous film *Role Models*, then this is a must-see.

Who To Take: The movie looks to pack enough comedy to please the guys. Its R-rating should stir you away from seeing it with your mother. However, this might be the most fun with your group of friends on a Friday night.

Looking for a romantic getaway? Just don't join a cult.

In *Wanderlust*, the main couple is just looking to find a new place to let their relationship blossom. Sometimes it's necessary in relationships to escape from your everyday lives and experience something new. Here are some suggestions for romantic getaways that you will both enjoy:

1. Anyplace with a beach: Who doesn't like the beach? Plus, it can be extremely romantic at anytime during your trip. You can hang out there during the day then after dinner return for a moonlit walk in the sand.

2. An unfamiliar place with culture: Go someplace where neither of you have any connections. Immerse yourselves in the culture and walk away with new, unique experiences that are just your own.

3. Someplace that you both want to be: Compromises are a part of every relationship. Yeah, Paris might sound great to you, but he wants to see the Coliseum in Rome. Don't force him to go someplace he doesn't want to and don't just do whatever he wants. It should be a place that you both can enjoy and will remember forever.

Do you have any great trips you've gone on with a significant other? Share your experiences below.

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If you are frustrated with dating, or wondering why you aren't getting into a relationship, or meeting "the one," this 45-minute session will give you some clarity. Renee will look into your dating/relationship past, and assess areas of improvement. You will gain insight on what you are currently doing, and what you can improve on. You also will be screened for current matches in our database we can set you up with.

This is a great opportunity to come in confused, and potentially leave with a lead for the person of a lifetime!

Renee has a Masters Degree in Counseling from New York University's Department of Applied Psychology. She also received her Bachelor of Science from NYU in Communication, where she did a specialization in interpersonal relations, and

focuses on non-verbal communication, conflict resolution, and public speaking. With ten years of experience under her belt, Renee Lee has been featured in numerous publications.

For more information on Renee Lee and her practices, visit www.datingdefined.com.

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Check Out 'The Vow' This Valentine's Day



By Matthew Dougherty

With Valentine's Day coming up, this movie is sure to be a hit. Rachel McAdams and Channing Tatum star as Paige and

Leo, a happily married couple whose lives could change forever after a fateful car accident leaves Paige without the memories of their entire relationship. To make matters worse, Paige believes she is still engaged to her ex, who likes the idea of having her back. Leo must make her fall in love with him all over again.

Should You See It? Don't expect quality cinema here, but it should be a fun way to spend a night at the movies.

Who To Take: Take your mother to this one, or maybe your best friend – someone you know will enjoy the movie as much as you will and enjoy spending time with you. This is probably a bit too sappy to bring a boyfriend to, especially since the same weekend a *Star Wars* movie is getting re-released in 3D.

Don't want a forgettable relationship? Here are some tips to make memories that neither of you will ever forget.

Cupid's Advice:

In *The Vow*, all of Paige and Leo's great memories are gone, but Leo is willing to relive them to get her back. In the unlikely chance that this happens to you, you want your boyfriend or husband to do the same thing! Here are some ways to create memories you will want to revisit all the time.

1. Do something different. Typical dates are a lot of fun but there are only so many times you can do dinner and a movie. To mix things up go to an amusement park or take a day trip to somewhere neither of you have been before.

2. Keep it simple. Not every date has to be an extravagant affair. Some of the best memories can be made by doing something you would never think of doing. Stuff like stopping by the local toy store or going to the beach at night are simple, yet different enough to stand out when you think back on them.

3. Chemistry. Memories can be made simply by having great chemistry with your partner. This is where inside jokes come from that you could be joking about in your twilight years. The memories you are making will only be worth it if you have good chemistry.

What are some of your greatest date memories? Share your experiences below.

Find Happiness with Gaiam TV



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We all know that fitness plays an integral role in how you feel both physically and mentally. So, chances are if you're workouts aren't up to par it's probably impacting your social life. After all, no one wants to date a downer. Fortunately for you (and your future catch) there is a fun and creative fitness alternative that can be done in the comfort of your own home. You'll be helping yourself to achieve both of these

goals. It's called Gaiam TV. How's that for a full-body workout?

What is Gaiam TV?

It's the first streaming video subscription designed to reach those interested in health, wellness, yoga, fitness and personal development. With over 2,000 titles, Gaiam is an essential "Netflix" for health, featuring content centered around wellness, yoga and fitness. Gaiam TV's yoga and fitness studios are also flexible and simple to use. With Gaiam TV, viewers can easily search for videos, make playlists and preview selections. But the part we love the most is the fact that viewers can customize their workout for weight loss, total body sculpting or increased energy and narrow down their options based on level, style, instructor and amount of available time. And when they say instructors, they mean top instructors like Rodney Yee, Seane Corn, Jillian Michaels, Mari Winsor and Kathryn Budig. It's like having a 24/7 personal trainer in your living room. This type of flexibility gives you the opportunity to exercise before, or even after your date if you choose. Hey, you could even invite your partner over and make a date out of working out with them and Gaiam TV. Gaiam TV's entire library of award-winning videos is available anytime, anywhere. Streaming capabilities for Gaiam TV include personal computers, iPads and smartphones.

How Do I Enroll?

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Valentine's Day Gift Idea: Key to My Heart Calendar Datesake Pendant



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As Valentine's Day approaches many people scramble to find that perfect gift for their sweetheart. So, when another box of chocolates or long-stem roses simply won't do, order that special woman in your life a personalized Calendar Key Pendant from Not Just Any Old Day.

The jewelry is handcrafted and made from the heart. The key can be custom plated in silver, gold, gun metal or antique bronze, and will bear whatever date is special to the wearer.

This signature calendar "Datesake" charm pendant is a hip, stylish accessory that is not only beautiful, but will be a main conversation piece for years to come. Celebrities like

Ben Affleck, Vern Troyer, Joe Jonas, and Scott Baio have all given gifts like this to show appreciation for the ones they love, now you can too.

This Valentine's Day, don't give the ordinary, give the extraordinary!

Check out the complete collection of Calendar Datesake jewelry at www.NotJustAnyOldDay.com.

Top 10 Most Romantic Movie Locations



By Matthew Dougherty

The big day for romance is coming up, which means it's time to figure out where you might spend the holiday. Here are ten locations from great movies that if you can afford to visit, and if they are real, they would be a perfect spot to spend Valentine's Day with your significant other.

10. Hawaii- *Forgetting Sarah Marshall*

In *Forgetting Sarah Marshall*, Jason Segel's character goes to Hawaii to get over his recently ended relationship. On the trip he finds a new love in Mila Kunis. They spend their time together going to bars, hanging out on the beach, and exploring the beautiful islands. Hawaii proves to be a land of love in this great romantic comedy.

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9. Forks, Washington- *Twilight*

The atmosphere may be gloomy, but love is in the air in this small northwestern town. Whether you are into vampires or werewolves, Forks has everything you would need for a perfect Valentine's Day. The true challenge will be trying to find a date who won't bite.

8. Aboard the Titanic- *Titanic*

Unfortunately, the Titanic is buried under water, but it was such a beautiful ship. And, while the plot may be mostly fictional, Kate Winslet and Leonardo DiCaprio make their love so believable that you forget what has to happen in the end, making that iceberg all the more tragic. Titanic was a perfect place to meet someone and if it hadn't sunk, it would have made a great Valentine's Day vacation.

7. Hogwarts- *Harry Potter*

Like any other high school, Hogwarts is a place full of drama. Whether it's the return of the Dark Lord, or the hero's first kiss, Hogwarts never feels too far off from your ordinary Muggle high school. The second half of the series saw Harry date his best friend's sister while Ron and Hermione finally get together. No love potion required.

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6. 1920s Paris- *Midnight in Paris*

Paris on its own is perhaps the most romantic city in the world, but as portrayed in *Midnight in Paris*, the 1920s was the time to be there for true romance. Running into such legends as Ernest Hemingway and F. Scott Fitzgerald, Owen Wilson's character eventually falls for a beautiful French girl, played by Marion Cotillard. This beautiful city becomes the stem from which their love blossoms.

5. The American South- *The Notebook*, *Gone With the Wind*, *Forrest Gump*

A lot of great love stories take place in the South. One of the earliest and most famous is *Gone With the Wind*, which took place in Georgia. Forrest Gump and Jenny both grew up in Alabama. *The Notebook* took place in South Carolina. Clearly, the South is the place to be for love.

4. Beast's Castle- *Beauty and the Beast*

In this tale as old as time, Belle is taken to a beautiful castle full of lively characters and one beast. But as the story goes, the beauty falls in love with the beast in this magical place. Furniture speaks when Belle and the beast choose not to.

3. Any 1980s High School- *Sixteen Candles*, *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, *The Breakfast Club*

High school is a time where everyone at least partly grows into who they are meant to be. A lot of that has to do with relationships. In the 1980s, director John Hughes made three movies that got high school perfectly, while having that '80s stamp on them. *Sixteen Candles*, *The Breakfast Club*, and *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* all showed high school romances at their best.

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2. New York- *Manhattan*, *When Harry Met Sally*, *Spider-man*, *New Year's Eve*

New York City is the setting for numerous love stories. Woody Allen saw the romance of the Big Apple in his film *Manhattan*.

When Harry Met Sally shows Billy Crystal and Meg Ryan fall for each other in the populated borough. Plus, who can forget the upside down kiss Spiderman and Mary Jane shared? The most recent romance in New York was *New Year's Eve*, a film showcasing a large number of romances. Clearly Manhattan is the place to be for love, but one other movie location beats it out...

1. Casablanca- *Casablanca*

Arguably the best love story ever told aside from Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, *Casablanca* is a classic film that is all about its location. Humphrey Bogart stars as Rick Blaine, the owner of a nightclub in Casablanca. An old flame comes back into his life, and they end up rekindling their love. It is the ultimate love story, but since Casablanca is in Africa, you may just want to rent this one instead.

What other movie locations would you want to visit on Valentine's Day? Share your thoughts below.

**Valentine's Day Gift Idea:
Celebrate Being Single with
Ode À la ROSE**



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This Valentine's Day don't mope around and feel bad for being alone. Celebrate being single! What better way is there to enjoy yourself than with beautiful red roses? Ode À la ROSE can help you do just that. Ode À la ROSE is a French-inspired, New York service that delivers what woman want for Valentine's Day.

Ladies don't deny yourself a day full of love just because you do not have a significant other. Include your girlfriends in the festivities as well by surprising them with a bouquet and let them know you love them for always being there for you. Don't let anyone feel alone this year on Valentine's Day. Ode À la ROSE is whimsical, romantic and fun – "Aren't you the lucky one!?"

Ode À la ROSE was recently started by two young men from France, who often turned to roses throughout their youth to seal the deal after a date, melt their mothers' hearts and yes "help detract women from their bad actions." Upon moving to New York, Olivier and Louis soon found out that it was impossible to get a simple and sweet bouquet of singularly

beautiful roses in America. There was no reliable corner flower shop and no delivery service that offered perfectly cut, boutique-level roses while being affordable at the same time... thus, Ode À la ROSE was born.

You can be sure you are getting high quality flowers because Ode À la ROSE sells beautiful and authentically Parisian style, quality fresh rose bouquets using only the highest quality roses ensuring long lasting freshness. Also, all of the bouquets are hand-delivered the same day in a signature Ode À la ROSE gift box. The gift boxes are unlike any other and a presentation to itself. Not only will it arrive in the same day but, a photo of the bouquet is taken right before it leaves the workshop and emailed to the sender along with the exact delivery time.

Special Discount: Ode À la ROSE is offering you a 10% discount for Valentine's Day. To enjoy 10% off on all of their products "like" Ode À la ROSE's facebook page to obtain a promo code.

Ladies, share this with your friends and most of all... celebrate being single! Don't miss out on beautiful flowers this Valentine's Day, call Ode À la ROSE.

**Valentine's Day Date Idea:
Gray Line NYC Night on the
Town Tour**



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Do something different this Valentines Day by taking the Night on the Town Tour with that special someone. Gray Line New York is offering a romantic date option for this love-filled holiday which would include:

- A fully guided tour of lower Manhattan in the comfort of a heated motorcoach
- A romantic dinner at one of Little Italy's oldest restaurants
- A cruise on board NY Watertaxi where you'll stop for a champagne toast with a close-up view of the Statue of Liberty
- A guided walking tour of the new Highline Park in the Meat packing district
- And a ticket for a jaw-dropping view of the city skyline from the Top of the Rock Observatory

This exclusive offer is being given at **\$20 off the original price!** The tours depart at 6:00 p.m. from Gray Line New York's visitor center at 777 8th Avenue, and return at 10:30 p.m. Take your Valentine on a date they'll never forget!

Valentine's Day Giveaway: Glamorous Count Me Healthy Bracelets



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By Jeannine Drenchek-Scavo

If you're looking for a great Valentine's Day gift for your loved one, Count Me Healthy Bracelets are the hottest new trend. The bracelet is designed to help you achieve a healthy goal with style. You simply turn your daily target into a bead count.

Celebrities like Selena Gomez and Cameron Diaz love their Count Me Healthy bangles, and have been seen rocking them out in public. They are a perfect gift for Valentine's Day. The Wild at Heart style (Selena's style of choice) is available in gold, rose gold and sterling and features 12 beads—each etched

with a heart. They are less than \$100, making it a great piece of jewelry to give wives, girlfriends, sisters, moms—any woman that loves style and wearing the same jewelry as A-list celebs.

Quick tidbits about the glamorous bangles:

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- Available in over 15 gorgeous styles
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‘Modern Family’ Board Game Tests Your Trivia Knowledge about the Hit Show



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By Steven Zangrillo

The American family has seen a dramatic shift in dynamic over the last decade and nowhere is this better captured than with the razor-sharp comical edge of ABC's 'Modern Family.' This year the sitcom has been nominated again for a Golden Globe Award in the best television series – Comedy or Musical.

For those 'Modern Family' fanatics of yours, the holiday is the perfect time to surprise your loved one with a great new game to complement the hysterical show. Players test their trivia knowledge of the hit series and the three intertwined families. As they move around the board, there are five types of special spaces to land on with each one having a corresponding deck of cards including: Parenting, Family, Modern, Interview and Event cards. By selecting the cards, players may be asked to answer trivia questions, play out a charade and discuss interview topics and family events. By completing the action on the cards, players receive tokens.

Once your team has collected all 30 tokens, you must get your mover home. The player to visit each household and get back

to their TV viewing couch first wins!

The 'Modern Family' Game is manufactured by Pressman Toy Corporation.

Blissful Shrinking: FaceFX Irons Away Wrinkles



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There are so many products on the market when it comes to improving skin texture, or reducing fine lines and wrinkles—from creams to Botox, to spa treatments and even plastic surgery. But, many of these are expensive, painful or require outside services. What if you could get a more natural, younger looking appearance in the comfort of your own home? Well—now you can!

There's an amazing new anti-aging device, [FaceFX by Silk'n](#)

that allows just that. FaceFX uses a revolutionary new approach: Home Fractional Technology – a safe and effective method that provides stimulation of heat and light energy to multiple layers of your skin, without high levels of discomfort. This hand held light emitting diode (LED) device is extremely simple to use with quick results. It's used three times a week at first and once a week after that for maintenance. Each treatment session lasts 15-20 minutes and noticeable results appear within 3-7 weeks.

With winter here, who wants to trek through the snow for a youthful glow? Now is the time to ask your partner for the perfect holiday gift; one that will boost your confidence.

Right now, Silk'n is offering an exclusive holiday discount: 20% OFF [FaceFX](#). This is an amazing offer for a very limited time (until Dec 31 2011). Go to their homepage and use **DISCOUNT CODE: SEEME**.

They are also having a give-away throughout the months of December and January. 1-2 free units will be given each week to individuals who "like" them on [Facebook](#). This year, try the solution that will give you flawless skin and a great date night appearance.

**Sweepstakes: TravelPro
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Holiday Gift**



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sponsored by TravelPro.

By [Lori Bizzoco](#)

The race is on as couples scramble to find their partners the perfect holiday gift. I only met my husband a few years ago but we decided immediately to end the annual gift-exchange by going on vacation at the beginning of December. It's now something we do traditionally each year. There are no odd-shaped boxes to wrap, or wrong sized shirts to return. A few stress-free days is the perfect recipe during the holiday chaos.

The one thing that I do worry about is my luggage and whether or not it will survive the distance. This is based on an awful experience that took place during a recent business trip. The zipper of my 27-inch suitcase broke and I had to secure the entire bag in masking tape to hold my belongings together. I have no interest in repeating that experience. Not to mention, with two children under the age of three-years-old, durable products are critical.

If I had owned TravelPro Luggage, the same luggage used by pilots, stewardesses and experienced travelers, I would have

felt more secure. Now, everyone has the chance to win a Travelpro Rollaboard bag and The Grand Prize of 500,000 miles from the Delta SkyMiles program.

All you do is enter at travelpro.com

Tis' The Season to Unleash Your Inner Vixen with Naked Wine!



This post sponsored by Naked Winery.
By Kelly Kirsh

The holidays are approaching; it's time to let loose in a flirty, flavorsome, and fun way. It's a time for celebrating, party planning, and present shopping. Deciding on the perfect gift can be very challenging. However, there's nothing better

than a bottle of wine for your own pleasure, whether you give it to one of your single friends, your work colleagues, or your significant other.

I recently tried and thoroughly enjoyed Naked Winery's Vixen Syrah. It has attitude and aromas that ignite the senses with silky tannins that bite and hold on. I had to read more about it on their website and found that manufacturers describe it as coy at first then comes on strong with tasteful elements of red raspberry and black cherry on the nose. I couldn't agree more. A reserve white cheddar or parmigiano reggiano with slices of Italian salami would pair nicely with this as well.

There's no denying that this is a great gift choice for everybody, whether it's for Christmas, Chanukkah, New Years, or any other upcoming occasion. It's a fun and sexy choice for you and your mate to tease, please, and get in the mood. If you're meeting new people and looking to mingle, get to know each other over a bottle. Or if you just want a humorous crowd pleaser to share with buddies and coworkers, don't pass up on Naked Winery's Vixen Syrah.

Sound like an appealing choice for you this holiday season?

Special Discount: The folks at Naked Winery are offering a whopping 30% discount on all purchases of the Vixen Syrah product to our readers, fans and followers. This is an extraordinary deal and a great opportunity to try it out. Just go to Nakedwinery.com and type in "single" for your discount code when purchasing. Let your inner fox come out this year!

Giveaway: How to Run an Ad Campaign to Get More Dates



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In my novel, *The Guys' Guy's Guide to Love*, our main character, Max Hallyday, writes a column for a women's magazine doling out regular guy-style sagely advice to the ladies. He advises them about how men think and how to get them eating out of your hand. He takes a tough love approach, but he is honest and well intended. As a result...well, you'll have to pick up a copy of the book to find out what happens.

Let's follow Max Hallyday's lead and find out how to successfully advertise yourself in order to find lasting love.

Whether you're selling love or mayonnaise, the same rules apply. Here are five steps:

1. Know your target market.

Men and women spend a lot of time trying to figure each other out, but they may not take the time to explore what is going on within the culture of the opposite sex. For example, do you think guys know that today's women have different needs?

In the past, relationships had major financial implications. Guys paid. Today, women are self-sufficient, so guys need to address a woman's other needs. For guys, this is a very good thing as long as they are interested in fun, friendship and really getting to know a woman.

2. Know your brand.

Look at how challenging it is for people to draft an online dating profile. There's so much going on around us that many folks do not take the time to sort out who they really are and what they really want. They usually want a lot of things, but a lot of it is reactive and propagated by the media. Do you really need hair like Jennifer Aniston or a booty like Kim Kardashian?

Related: [New Dating Apps to Manage Your Love Life](#)

3. Know what your target wants.

Yes, that means that it is not all about you. That may be news to some, because many women and men feel entitled to the object of their desire, just because. C'mon, you've been there. If single men and women shifted their focus to what their prospective paramour really needs, there would be a sea change in dating. This is an area that is most often overlooked.

4. Be fresh and fun.

It's easy to fall into line and continue following the same routine. Everyone is crazy busy, and who has the time to be creative anymore? You do. When you start thinking out of the box, your prospective partner will know and appreciate that you went the extra mile for them, whether it be a picnic for

two in the park with a bottle of their favorite Chardonnay or tickets to the Met. Going the extra mile is noticed and appreciated. I still remember all the good things about a past relationship because of that stained glass window she had custom-made for me featuring a seascape since I have a place near the ocean. That was cool.

Related: [Date Idea – Inspire Your Date with Art](#)

5. Ask for the order.

If you feel that you've done your homework and know who you are and who he or she is, and you still think that there is a chance that you'll avoid a battle to the death over who gets the iPad, then go ahead and let him know that you are available and that you've got what it takes to rock his world. Most likely he'll be more than appreciative. He'll be yours.

Robert Manni is the author of The Guys' Guy's Guide to Love and is a successful advertising industry veteran who has experienced the NYC single life first-hand for many years. His book offers an insider's look at New York's cutthroat yet alluring agency and media world, as well as a Madison Avenue perspective on how to use one's "creative selling" skills to seduce, date and sustain a relationship in a city full of savvy men and women.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** Cupid's Pulse has teamed up with Robert Manni to give a copy of **The Guys' Guy's Guide to Love** to one lucky reader! To enter, comment on this post below. Please be sure to use your real email address so we have a way of contacting you if you win — don't worry, your address won't be shown. If your email is not included, you will automatically be ineligible to win. This giveaway will run until **11:59 PM EST on Wednesday, November 30**. Good luck!~~

This giveaway is now closed.

***Contest restricted to residents of USA/CA**

Bella and Edward Are Back in Twilight Saga: 'Breaking Dawn Part 1'



The Twilight Saga is slowly, but surely, coming to an end. But don't start feeling sad too quickly, because the last book of the series, *Breaking Dawn*, is being broken into two movies. On November 18th, *Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1* will bring Jacob (Taylor Lautner) and Edward (Robert Pattinson) fans together for a drama packed finale. After watching Bella (Kristen Stewart) decline Edward's proposal in *New Moon* just to accept it again in *Eclipse*, the long awaited wedding is here. On top of that, Bella becomes pregnant with a half human half vampire baby that poses threats to both the wolf pack and Cullen vampire family. Get excited!

How do you know when it's time to say "yes" to a marriage proposal?

Cupid's Advice:

It can be tough to really *know* when you're ready to marry someone you've been dating. The step between partners and spouses is a big one. Cupid has some things to consider:

1. Are you in love?: If you're truly in love with your partner, it may be time to make it official. If you have doubts, it's probably best to wait it out a while.

2. Why not?: If you're not getting married because of a reason like financial issues, chances are you're not ready. Go with both your gut and your heart.

3. It's just a ring: Saying "yes" to a proposal doesn't mean you'll be signing a wedding certificate the next day. If the love is there, say "yes" and continue working on your relationship. If you change your mind, call the wedding off. It's not preferable, but at least the option is there.

Have you ever said "no" to a marriage proposal? Share your experiences below.

**Hosting a Girl's Night In
Just Got a Lot Easier with
Rustic Crust Pizza**



This post is sponsored by American Flatbreads and Rustic Pizza.

By Lauren Kochendarfer

When the temperature starts to drop outside, nothing excites me more than getting together with my BFF's for a Girls' Night In! But, given my hectic schedule (work, school, boyfriend), it's hard to find time to prepare a meal for everyone. Not to mention, the cost of hosting a party isn't cheap. So, when I was introduced to American Flatbread and Rustic Pizza, it alleviated a lot of the pressure.

[American Flatbread](#) is an all natural pizza that is crafted from scratch and par-baked in a wood-fired earthen oven. It makes entertaining so easy. All you do is bring it home and it's ready in 7 minutes. It tastes so good you could even fool your friends into thinking you're a top chef by heating, slicing and serving these as bite-size appetizers while "wowing" your girlfriends in the process.

Rustic Crust is the ONLY ready-made pizza of it's kind because

it's crusts can be stored naturally without refrigeration for several months. It rains, it snows, the girls cancel-no worries. The unopened packages will stay good on the shelf until you reschedule the party for a later date. Rustic Crust has really mastered the art of pizza. The ingredients are natural and nutritious and each bite is fully packed with rich flavor. The best news is that it's available in individual-size portions as well as organic and gluten-free. For all the single ladies out there, don't worry because it won't leave you feeling guilty or bloated for that upcoming weekend date.

Both products are fast, convenient and provide a much healthier dinner option compared to take-out. They're also so easy to prepare and clean up that you'll be able to spend more time catching up with your guests and doing the things you love.

So the next time you and your friends get together or your wondering what to make for dinner, make it delicious and stress free with [American Flatbreads](#) and [Rustic Crust Pizza](#).

Movie Review: 'Jack and Jill' is Full of Family Fun





Adam Sandler is at it again! The comedic genius and actor has come out with a Thanksgiving family fun movie, *Jack and Jill*. Sandler follows in the footsteps of Eddie Murphy by playing both the parts of Jack Sadelstein and his identical twin sister, Jill. Jack dreads when his needy sister, Jill, visits his family every Thanksgiving, because she always seems to ruin everything. Jack's wife (Katie Holmes) and kids, must deal with the sibling bickering. If Sandler can pull off Eddie Murphy's *The Nutty Professor* routine, *Jack and Jill* will have you laughing from start to finish.

How do you handle your partner's family feuds?

Cupid's Advice:

Dating someone means dating their family-especially during the holidays. It can be hard to know your place when your partner and his family feud over the dinner party. Here's how to be supportive of your partner without disrespecting his family:

- 1. Don't jump in:** Your partner will tell you if they need to tag you in on a family fight. Keep your thoughts to yourself, unless you're asked to share them.
- 2. If asked, keep it neutral:** When put in the middle of a feud, state facts that will make both sides happy. Never pick a side.

3. Don't play dumb: If you get in the middle, don't walk away without attempting to help diffuse the situation. It may seem like minding your own business is a good idea, but your partner may lose faith in you, and his family may abandon their respect for you.

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The “Choose Health Challenge” Sponsored By BistroMD



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By Lauren Kochendarfer

Today, many of us are living busy chaotic lives and don't have time to eat right. Instead we reach for fast food, vending

machines and items that are convenient. These unhealthy diet choices not only hurt us physically, they can wreak havoc on our emotional well-being and self-esteem. Even worse, it can cause unwanted weight gain and impact your dating and social life. As if that isn't reason enough to stop! Now, delivery meal system, BistroMD has come up with a contest, "Choose Health Challenge," that asks people to make one simple change towards a lifetime of healthy choices.

As soon as I heard about this, I jumped on board! Change one thing. Eat healthy. Maybe win a prize?

It's always been so much easier for me to stop at a fast food drive thru after work than prepare a healthy meal once I'm home. When I heard about the BistroMD "Choose Health Challenge" I decided to make one small change to my diet by eating one healthy meal a day – at dinner. I am participating in this challenge with my boyfriend and we have vowed to prepare and sit down together each evening with a healthy well-balanced meal. This has not only improved my life emotionally and romantically, but I lost weight as well! It may be only one small change, but it can lead to a lifetime of healthy choices. For example, even if I've eaten something "bad" earlier in the day, ending with a healthy dinner can be motivation to start the next day right!

Now you too can participate in this "Choose Health Challenge" by visiting [Facebook](#) and telling BistroMD how you will challenge yourself to start living healthy. This is a chance to win great prizes like a week of healthy weight loss meals, an iPad2, or even a \$500 shopping spree or cash!

BistroMD hand-prepares well balanced meals by their chefs and uses quality, natural ingredients without hormones, added fillers and unnecessary additives or preservatives. This means no MSG, no Trans Fats, just delicious meals that are good for you. Five days of meals start as low as \$129.95 a week.

Want to commit to a lighter and healthier you? BistroMD.com is offering FREE Shipping on your first week of meals. Simply Use Discount Code: ChooseHealth at checkout.