

# Secret Celebrity Weddings





Justin Theroux and Jennifer Aniston

After a three-year engagement, this celebrity couple finally tied the knot in a secret celebrity wedding at their Bel Air home. They surprised their famous friends -- like Lisa Kudrow and Ellen DeGeneres -- by claiming it was a birthday party for Theroux. Photo: Emiley Schweich / PR Photos

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## 5 Celebrity Couples Who Celebrate Hanukkah





By Molly Jacob and Melissa Tierney

It's time to light the Menorah and get ready for gifts from Hanukkah Harry, and celebrities are no exception. These famous couples are embracing their roots by participating in Jewish traditions together. Here are five of our favorite celebrity couples who are spinning their dreidels this Hanukkah:

**1. Ben Stiller and Christine Taylor:** *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty* star enjoys embracing the Hanukkah traditions every year with his wife and their two children, daughter Ella Olivia and son Quinlin Dempsey. They're all ready to light the candles on the Menorah in hopes for another healthy and successful year.

**2. Natalie Portman and Benjamin Millepied:** The superstar and her French-born dancer and choreographer husband met on the set of *Black Swan* and married a few years later. Millepied announced last January that he would be converting to Judaism, so the dynamic duo will surely be together for a holiday that is important to Portman: Hanukkah. The Israeli-born actress has even been quoted as saying her heart belongs in Jerusalem.

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**3. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick:** The fashion trendsetter and her actor husband sure have their plate filled. Between building a fashion and movie empire and raising their children, the couple still has time for the important things, like celebrating the holidays. Of course, the *Sex & the City* star most likely has a pair of Manolos for each of the eight days of the Celebration of Lights.

**4. Adam Sandler and Jackie Sandler:** As if it weren't already obvious, the actor and comedian is all about Hanukkah tradition at his house. The funny man loves getting together with his family and embracing the holiday season. He even wrote a song about the Jewish holiday called "The Chanukah Song" for *Saturday Night Live*.

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**5. Robert Downey Jr. and Susan Downey:** The bad boy actor may be a trouble maker in Hollywood, but when it comes to celebrating the holidays, he's all warm and fuzzy inside just like everyone else. This couple needs to take a break from their acting, producing and film making to sing some Hanukkah songs and celebrate their good fortune.

**What other celebrity couples do you know who are lighting the Menorah this holiday season? Share your thoughts below.**

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# Famous Couples: First Comes Celebrity Baby, Then Comes Marriage





Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie

This power couple has welcomed six adorable children into their family -- three of whom they adopted -- since they began dating in 2005. In April 2012, they announced their engagement, but they still haven't made any moves to tie the knot. Photo: Landmark / PRPhotos.com

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## **Favorite Celebrity Engagement Rings**





By Sarah Ribeiro

Engagement rings can be one of the most important elements in beginning a marriage. They signify the bond you have with your partner, their commitment to you, and the security of your relationship. Of course, there's also the glamour and luxury that comes with a gorgeous diamond on your hand! Here are some celebrity engagement rings that perfectly represent both the strength and extravagance of celebrity weddings and marriages:

## Top Celebrity Engagement Rings

**1. Kate Hudson:** Hudson's engagement ring from Muse rocker Matthew Bellamy is an outstanding statement in such a private celebrity relationship. The \$200,000 platinum ring is a nine carat emerald-cut diamond with tapered baguettes on the side. The two have been engaged for a year, and although they have no wedding date set, they do have a son together, Bingham.

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**2. Kate Middleton:** The royal duchess of Cambridge was definitely given a ring fit for a queen. Her celebrity love Prince William presented her with his mother Princess Diana's engagement ring, a round-cut blue sapphire surrounded by 14 diamonds. At the time it was worn by Diana in 1981, it cost 30,000 British pounds – the equivalent of roughly \$47,000.

**3. Angelina Jolie:** Being one of Hollywood's most luxurious famous couples, this duo will no doubt have an over-the-top celebrity wedding celebration. Newly-engaged Jolie was given a rectangular-cut diamond on a yellow-and-white gold band. Rumor has it Pitt commissioned a jeweler to find the finest-quality diamond for his love, even requesting a cut shaped perfectly for her hand.

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## No Limits For This Famous Couple's Ring

**4. Beyoncé Knowles:** One of Hollywood's most expensive wedding rings naturally belongs to one of the highest-grossing Hollywood couples. The rapper gave Beyoncé a \$5 million celebrity engagement ring before their secret marriage in April 2008. The 18-carat diamond, made by jeweler Lorraine Schwartz, is emerald-cut and set in a platinum band. For security purposes, the singer wears a fake copy of it, which is still worth more than \$5,000.

**5. Natalie Portman:** In 2010, the famous actress, vegan and humanist was gifted an eco-friendly engagement ring to fit her lifestyle. Husband Benjamin Millepied found ballet dancer-turned jeweler Jamie Wolf to design the \$35,000 ring, which uses recycled platinum and an antique oval center stone surrounded by pavé diamonds from a conflict-free mine, meaning



no miner was hurt or treated unfairly when mining the stones. Millepied personalized his choice by making the ring a statement to his love's activism and loving nature, a sweet statement for an even sweeter couple.

Which celebrity engagement ring is your favorite? Tell us below.

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## Natalie Portman and Benjamin Millepied Get Married



After costarring in the *Black Swan*, winning big at the Oscars and having a baby boy together, Natalie Portman and Benjamin

Millepied have finally gotten married. [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) confirms that the couple exchanged vows in a Jewish ceremony at a private home near Big Sur, Calif. They were married in the dark beneath a chuppah, a canopy placed over Jewish marriage ceremonies. Jeweler Jamie Wolf designed their wedding rings, which were made from recycled platinum and conflict-free diamonds. Though the couple keeps their personal life under wraps for the most part, Portman gave us a little insight into their relationship during her acceptance speech at the 2011 Oscars, calling Millepied “[her] beautiful love.”

## **What are the advantages to putting off your wedding ceremony?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Getting engaged is a stepping stone to marriage, but many are now holding off the ‘I do’s’ to soak in their engagement bliss. From Jessica Biel to Christina Applegate, celebrities have explained why they’re putting off their wedding ceremonies. Here are some advantages of doing so:

- 1. Prolong the special moment:** The most romantic part of your life will be the period of time in which you are engaged. Some can get so caught up in the planning stresses of a wedding that they miss out on basking in the moment of being engaged. Take the time to enjoy your life as an engaged couple and show off that ring to everyone.
- 2. Not rushing into anything:** When a wedding is rushed, often times it becomes messy. On top of a less-than-perfect wedding ceremony, your actual partnership can be affected if you rush into it. Take the time of being engaged to really hash out any old arguments or feelings that may affect your relationship in the long-run so that your wedding day will be nothing but full of love.
- 3. Better planning:** The more time you take to just be engaged, the more time you have to plan for the big day. From picking

out the perfect dress to seating charts to finding a beautiful venue to the catering, there's a lot that goes into a wedding. Your engagement period and wedding ceremony will be much less stressful if you carefully choose everything over a long period of time.

What do you think are some advantages to putting off a wedding ceremony? Tell us below.

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## 5 Celebrity Couples That Are Playing It Safe In The Sun



By Melissa Tierney

Whether it's running through Central Park or hitting the beach, celebrities everywhere are embracing the summertime and loving their naturally sun-kissed or porcelain skin. But despite the fact that it's now August the cast of Jersey Shore is getting their "GTL" on, these five celebrity couples are determined to love the skin they are in without fake and baking at a tanning salon. If you think you're pale and were considering getting a faux glow, think again! Take a look at these five celebrity couples, because they're sure to make you feel comfortable and confident in the skin you're in!

**1. Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson:** Having pale skin isn't just perfectly acceptable in Stephanie Meyer's *Twilight* world, but in Hollywood as well. Stars like these vamped up hotties are embracing the sun, but in a healthy way. While traveling the world to promote their upcoming movie, *Breaking Dawn Part I*, Stewart and Pattinson have kept to their porcelain roots even though the bronze trend is becoming a huge sensation.

**2. Natalie Portman and Benjamin Millepied:** This adorable couple has that new parents glow after welcoming their baby boy into the world this month. Portman, who is known for her light skin, looks ravishing everywhere she goes without having that orange tint that so many celebrities are after this season. Maybe it's time for us to take a tip from Portman and realize a natural glow is much better than a fake one. Fiance and baby daddy, Benjamin Millepied, seems to agree, as he's adored Portman ever since they met on the set of their film, *Black Swan*.

**3. Nicole Kidman and Keith Urban:** It looks like this couple knows just how to play it safe in the sun! The two Aussie's are no strangers to the sun, but when they hit the clear waters and beaches of Sydney, like they did for their 2006 wedding ceremony in North Sydney, they are careful to put on some SPF and cute shades. What better way can these two love

birds embrace their culture, than in a conscious and healthy way?

**4. Dita Von Teese and Louis-Marie de Castelbajac:** The sexy pin up girl and French aristocrat have caused quite a stir since they started dating in 2010, but one thing these two don't have to worry about is damage from the sun's harmful rays. Being the ex of vampire-esque Marilyn Manson may have rubbed off on Von Teese, and she'd rather be fair-skinned than brown, which we love. Who knows – maybe this is the season to give pale skin a shot.

**5. Cate Blanchett and Andrew Upton:** The Hollywood starlet is certainly gorgeous and breathtaking, and one of her claims to fame is her porcelain-like complexion. While having healthy skin is most certainly in, knowing how to carry it makes all the difference. Blanchett's clear complexion makes her stand out on the red carpet, and husband Andrew Upton definitely seems to approve.

**What celebrity couples do you think practice safe skin? Share your thoughts below!**

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## **Natalie Portman and Benjamin Millepied Welcome A Son**





Academy Award-winning actress Natalie Portman and fiancé Benjamin Millepied have welcomed a baby boy to the world, reports [People](#). Portman and Millepied met on the set of *Black Swan*, where Millepied was working as a choreographer. The pair confirmed their engagement and announced Portman's pregnancy in December.

### **How do you prepare for a son over a daughter?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Once you find out the gender of your baby, the real prep-work begins. Here are a few ways to prepare for a son:

**1. Prepare the baby's room:** When you find out the gender of your baby, prepare his room appropriately. Feel free to finally break away from a gender-neutral color scheme and migrate towards shades of blue, green, and brown. Seeing the completed room will take a large burden off of your shoulders.

**2. Inform relatives:** Keep your friends and family up-to-date. Many of them, especially the ones planning the baby shower, will need (almost) as much time as you do to prepare.

**3. Brainstorm:** The gender of a baby is always unpredictable. If you were hoping for a daughter to play dress-up with, then you have some readjusting to do. Come up with other activities and buy toys that your son could enjoy.

**Do you have experience in preparing for a baby boy? Feel free to share advice below!**

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## **‘Black Swan’ Actress Natalie Portman Prefers a Friend with Benefits**



While Natalie Portman still hasn't publicly spoken about her new fiancée (and new baby bump), *People* reports that she recently opened up about what she wants in a partner in the new issue of *InStyle*. "I look for all the same things I would in a friend... Obviously, you need the sexual attraction, too, so it's like your best friend who you are also really attracted to." Portman is engaged to French choreographer and actor Benjamin Millepied, who she met on the set of her new movie *Black Swan*. The two are expecting their first child later this year.

### **How important is it to be best friends with your partner?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Plenty of romantic relationships blossom out of friendships. Cupid has some ideas on why your significant other should also be your best friend:

- 1. Get to know each other better:** Friends often get to know each other on a deeper level than lovers do, because there's no pressure. Being best friends with your mate will make your relationship even more intimate.
  - 2. Build a foundation of friendship:** When the honeymoon phase is over and the romance wears off, you still have your best friend. Physical attraction is important, but if you want to grow old with your partner, make sure you're friends first.
  - 3. Keep your other friends:** While it's important that you and your significant other are friends, make sure he's not your only one. It's important to have a social life outside of your partner.
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# Pregnant Natalie Portman Gives Tearful Tribute to New Fiance



*Black Swan* actress Natalie Portman appeared to have nothing, but love to express for her fiancé, dancer/choreographer Benjamin Millepied, while accepting the Desert Palm Achievement Award at the Palm Springs International Film Festival. Portman and Millepied met while filming *Black Swan*, reports *UsMagazine.com*. “[The filming] was seductive to watch...there was no way the attraction could be missed,” said an insider. Portman is now three months pregnant with Millepied’s child. While on stage, the actress thanked the man who “...partnered me in the movie and who now partners me in life.”

**What are some ways to thank your partner for being there for you?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

You may not get a chance to express your love toward your partner all that frequently, but every once in a while it's important to convey your gratitude. Here are a few little ways to show you care:

**1. Write a note:** Try writing a heartfelt message on a scrap of paper, and then stick the note into your partner's briefcase or bag. This little action is sure to brighten his day at work.

**2. Put effort into dinner:** Spend an afternoon in the kitchen and prepare your partner's favorite meal, complete with a setting at the dining room table. If cooking's not your thing, then get some of his favorite takeout and make a joke out of eating it on your finest dinnerware.

**3. Use your TiVo:** Go through the TV listings and record his favorite shows or sports games that to which he's looking forward. When he has time to relax, he'll be pleasantly surprised!

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## **Natalie Portman is Engaged and Pregnant**





Natalie Portman has more to celebrate than her Golden Globe nomination. The actress is engaged to choreographer, Benjamin Millepied, and they are expecting their first child, according to [People](#). The pair met during the production of the Darren Aronofsky's ballet thriller *Black Swan*, where Millepied acted as a choreographer and one of Portman's co-stars. The couple is excited for their first child who is due in 2011.

### **Is it OK to date your coworkers?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

While there are some people who won't mix business with pleasure, others don't see a problem with it. Before making a decision, Cupid has some things to consider:

- 1. Expressing feelings:** Don't jump into things too quickly. Make sure that your attraction is mutual so that you don't end up making things awkward in the workplace.
- 2. Don't violate company policy:** Some companies discourage relationships among employees while others are more tolerant of it. Find out what the dating policy in your company is beginning a relationship with your coworker.

**3. Be serious:** Make sure you are both serious about being in a relationship. If you know that it's just going to be a short-term fling, it might be awkward for both of you to work together afterward.