Celebrity Interview: Actress Haylie Duff Talks Thanksgiving Meals and Marriage



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Between being a mom, an actress, and a blogger, Haylie Duff has her hands full. With the holidays fast approaching, she needs to find recipes and meals that are quick and delicious for her family.

In our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, we chat with Duff about her favorite Thanksgiving memories, while she gives us some great advice for preparing easy meals during this time of the year.

Celebrity Interview with Haylie Duff: Thanksgiving Dinner Advice, Family Traditions, and Life with Two Kids

Duff loves spending Thanksgiving with her family, and when asked about her favorite memory, she didn't hesitate to share. "One [memory] that really comes to mind is we were thawing our big turkey, for the big day, out on our front porch when we lived in the hill country," she said. "Somehow our neighbor's two dogs got a hold of it while it was thawing out in the hot air of the South." Duff says that the disappearing turkey was a great mystery for her and her family that year. She recounts that she didn't really even care about the turkey; she was just happy to celebrate with loved ones.

While talking about Thanksgiving dishes, the mom of two tells us that she would rather do all of the prep work before the big holiday meal, so that she can spend more time with her family. That's part of the reason the actress partnered with Libby's during this busy time of year. "I really love using Libby's canned vegetables because they're pre-sliced and they're pre-chopped," she admits. Not to mention, "They are also celebrating their 6th annual getbacktothetable.com/cansgiving sweepstakes and I'm all about giving back and thinking about the things I'm thankful for," she said.

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Before wrapping our celebrity interview, we had to know if marriage to Matt Rosenberg, Duff's fiancé and father of her children, is expected in the future. "We talk about it all the time, but show me a free weekend," she laughs. Being a mom of two kids along with a job, a clothing line, and a blog can make it very difficult for this <u>celebrity couple</u> to find time to settle down.

You can keep up with Haylie Duff by following her blog, T<u>he</u> <u>Real Girls Kitchen</u>, or The Real Girls Kitchen <u>Instagram</u> page. You can also follow Haylie's personal <u>Instagram</u>.

Haylie Duff Gives Birth to Celebrity Baby – a Daughter!





By Maggie Manfredi

On Wednesdays, we wear pink! According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Haylie Duff gave birth to a <u>celebrity baby</u> girl on Monday, May 11th. The *Real Girl's Kitchen* host's rep stated, "Both mom and baby are doing great! Haylie and Matt are thrilled to finally meet their baby girl and become a family of three." The baby girl was named Ryan, and celebrity couple Duff and fiance Matt Rosenberg are doing great! Ryan is in great familial company with cousin Luca, Hilary Duff's son. Let's hope the adorable play-dates will be well-documented.

This celebrity baby has been named Ryan. What are some advantages to giving your child a name that can be either male or female?

Cupid's Advice:

Haylie Duff named her baby girl Ryan, this could work for both

boy babies and girls alike! Here are some advantages to giving your child a universal name:

1. Name them early: Having a gender neutral name gives you the opportunity to have the name ready, even before a baby is in the belly! It will make it tangible for you and your partner, and you will be able to speak to the baby the second you know he/she is there.

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2. Be surprised: With a name that works for a boy or a girl you can take the old fashioned route and wait until the baby is born to know the sex. This will make the experience that much more exciting without any stress of having to pick a name the day of.

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3. The uniqueness factor: Having a universal name is special, and stands out. So if you are taking part in the baby name hunt don't rule out this fun option. Examples: Charlie, Bailey, Harper, Jamie, etc.!

Do you have a good example of a name fit for any baby boy or girl? Share with us below!

Hilary Duff Throws a Celebrity Baby Shower for

Sister Haylie Duff





By Jenna Bagcal

You've probably heard the saying, "First comes love, then comes marriage." But what that old adage doesn't include is what comes in between the wedding and having the baby ... a baby shower! In the latest celebrity news from <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Hilary Duff held a baby shower for her sister Haylie Duff, who announced last December that she and husband Matt Rosenberg are expecting their first celebrity baby. In honor of their child, Hilary threw a beautiful flower-themed baby shower, complete with cute pastel-colored cupcakes and ice cream for the mom-to-be.

We love the idea of a fancy flowerfilled celebrity baby celebration! What are some ways to amp up the style at your shower?

Cupid's Advice:

You don't have to be part of a celebrity family to have a stylish baby shower. Listen to Cupid's tips about how to throw a chic baby shower worthy of any celebrity baby:

1. Come up with a theme: Choosing a theme for your baby shower can make the party that much more fun and cohesive. Start on the internet and go to Pinterest to gain some inspiration. Get decorations that go along with that theme, and also come up with a fun color scheme for all the shower decor.

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2. Plan fun activities: Having a stylish party does not mean that you can't also have some fun! Plan activities that both you and your guests can enjoy. Decorate some onesies with fabric paint and cool craft supplies, or have your guests write cute and funny messages on your baby's diapers. Don't forget to take lots of pictures to document all the fun.

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3. Serve simple, but elegant food: When thinking about the food you want to serve your guests, plan to serve dishes that are both delicious and aesthetically pleasing. You don't want to have messy sloppy joe sandwiches at your stylish affair. Instead, serve up some frozen yogurt cups with an array of toppings, a colorful and vibrant fruit salad, or a tray of

delicious pastries.

What are some of the ways to make your baby shower more stylish? Share you ideas in the comments below!

Haylie Duff Resists Maternity Clothes For Much of Celebrity Pregnancy



By Katie Gray

In latest celebrity news, Haylie Duff, sister of Hilary Duff, is progressing in her <u>celebrity pregnancy</u>! She has been vocal

about how she tried to fight wearing maternity clothes but finally had to succumb at this stage in her pregnancy. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, she said, "I was fighting the good fight on buying maternity clothes, but now, I just have this massive belly and I can't deny that I'm pregnant any longer!" Congrats to Duff and her fiancé Matt Rosenberg! Her nephew Luca will have a cousin to play with soon.

Celebrity pregnancy or not, adapting to a growing belly can be an emotional experience. What are three ways to come to terms with it?

Cupid's Advice:

If you're having a baby, it's always best to keep stress and emotional turmoil to a minimum. Cupid has some tips:

1. Research: When you're pregnant, it's a good idea to conduct some research. Learn about the changes that will be happening in your body so that you know what to expect. After you read about it and/or take a course about it, you will feel better about being pregnant. Speak with other women in your life who have given birth and experienced the whole pregnancy process as well.

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2. Fitness: Experts say it's important to stay fit when you are pregnant! Don't let yourself go just because you have someone growing inside of you. Exercise is excellent for you and the baby. You'll have a smoother delivery and lose the weight quicker after giving birth. Plus, it will make you feel good during this life-changing experience.

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3. Shopping: When the going gets tough, the tough go shopping! Just because you are pregnant doesn't mean you can't still dress with style. Many designers have maternity lines. Search for the stores that suit your sense of fashion and your growing belly. Embrace it!

What are some ways you have adjusted to your belly during pregnancy? Share your stories with us below!

Haylie Duff Is Engaged to Boyfriend Matt Rosenberg





By Sanetra Richards

'Tis the season for wedding bells! Actress and singer Haylie Duff announced her engagement to boyfriend Matt Rosenburg on Thursday, April 3rd. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the 29-yearold posted an Instagram photo of the two smiling and her showing off her nice sized rock, with the caption reading, "The future Mrs. Rosenburg #Love @mr_sts." She went onto share the news with her food blog's fans: "This week has seriously just become the best week of my life! As if announcing The Real Girl's Kitchen tv show wasn't enough, Matt just took me by total surprise and proposed...on April Fool's Day of all days! The moment was genuine and sweet (like him!) and I couldn't wait to say yes!"

What are three unique proposal ideas?

Cupid's Advice:

Planning a wedding proposal is far from an easy task. Just like the wedding, it takes preparation (and lots of meditation). You have to strategically map out every single detail, from who is going to be involved, where it is going to be, and what day! Not to mention, you have to keep it a secret. Before you can worry about all of this, thinking of how you want to ask for your partner's hand in marriage is most important. Cupid has a few cute ideas to make things a little bit easier:

1. The museum: Ask your local museum if you could place an enlarged framed photo of you and your partner in the photography section with the proposal as the caption. Take your significant other to the city's museum for what will seem to be a regular date. Look at the various pieces and critique each, as usual. Once you get to your 'proposal piece,' wait for his or her reaction as they read the picture's caption.

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2. Write 'note' cards: Send or leave your love sweet note cards throughout the day, whether it is of a favorite quote or a reminder of their beauty. Do about five to ten cards. On the final one, ask for their hand. Priceless moment!

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3. Deliver it in the mailbox: Make sure your significant other is the one to check the mail the day you want to propose. Set the ring in the mailbox beforehand. Watch him or her as they open the mailbox to see the box among the other envelopes. Voilà ! Here is your chance to propose.

Do you have any unique proposal ideas? Share your thoughts below.