

Chick Flick 'The Longest Ride' Features Brittany Robertson and Scott Eastwood Living Their Love Story



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The Longest Ride focuses on a love affair between Luke, a former champion bull rider looking to make a comeback, and Sophia, a college student who is about to start her dream job in New York City. Later in the story, Sophia and Luke make a connection with Ira, whose memories of his romance inspire Luke and Sophia.

This chick flick spans generations and two intertwining love stories to explore the challenges and rewards of enduring love.

Should you see it:

Since this relationship movie is based on a book by Nicholas Sparks, you know it's going to be a tear jerking, inspiring, chick flick! This movie is also filled with gorgeous actors such as Scott Eastwood, Brittany Robertson, Oona Chaplin, Jack Huston, and more!

Who to take:

This film would be great to see with your friends or significant other.

How do you know when your relationship is worth fighting for?

Cupid's Advice:

Every relationship has ups and downs, but if you feel like your relationship has been on the decline lately, it can be hard to determine if now is the right time to let go. Especially if you've been with your significant other for years, you might not want to give up so quickly. Below are some signs that your relationship is worth fighting for.

1. Check the fundamentals: Relationships are built from trust, honesty, loyalty, commitment, and respect. If your relationship is missing any one of these elements, it could be a sign of trouble. However, if these building blocks are strong in your relationship, it might be worth hanging on to.

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2. You're still attracted to them: Are the emotional and physical sparks still there? As you both mature in the relationship, bodies and minds change. Being both physically and mentally attracted to the person is important for a strong relationship. If the attraction is still there, you might not want to let go just yet.

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3. You both want to work to save the relationship: You can't expect just one partner to do all of the heavy lifting. If you both are committed to constantly fine-tuning your relationship, it may be worth saving.

How did you know your relationship was worth fighting for? Comment below!

10 Films About First Love that Make You Want to Fall in Love All Over Again + A Giveaway!





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By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

It's not hard to remember being a teenager, curling up on the couch with your mom, your best girlfriends, or your first boyfriend, hitting the lights, and watching a movie about first love. In those days, the stories of the star-crossed, wild-at-heart, or shy lovers were peepholes into what you hoped would be your own love story one day. They inspired you to see the potential for love in each day and to be wholly devoted when you found it yourself. Even though you're a bit (or a lot) older now, you may find yourself in a situation and still think, "Oh my gosh, this is just like that scene from *The Notebook!*"

It's no surprise that film adaptations of novels by Nicholas Sparks have received widespread acclaim for portraying loves of the century. This Friday, yet another of these Sparks stories is premiering on the big screen: *The Best of Me*. Cupid was inspired by the new movie to bring you a list of our favorite films about first love (in no particular order). Spoiler alerts ahead!

1. *The Notebook*: We had to start our list with *The Notebook*. In the film, Allie and Noah meet as teenagers. Noah lives in a small town in South Carolina where Allie's family vacations in the summer. They are torn apart when Allie's parents, who despise Noah for his lower-class status, force their daughter to go home early. The ups-and-downs they endure through the years – both together and apart – make for an epic love story. The most beautiful part is that the tale is being told by an elderly Noah to his wife Allie, who has dementia. Cue the tears!

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2. *The Girl Next Door*: This one you probably didn't watch in your pre-teens, but it's still a pretty epic love story. Matthew, a high school student looking to attend Georgetown University, falls in love with Danielle, the girl who moves in next door. Matthew finds out from his friends that Danielle is an ex-adult film actress and accidentally insults her for it. He wins her back but not before an intense encounter with her ex-boyfriend.

3. *Never Been Kissed*: Josie Geller, a writer for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, poses as a high school student in order to write a piece meant to inform parents on their kids' behavior. Josie, who was a nerd in high school, is forced by her boss to become one of the popular kids in order to beat out other newspapers with the more interesting stories. While working on the assignment, she falls in love with her English teacher Sam. She nearly loses him when he discovers her true identity but hopes that her newspaper article will win him back. You'll have to watch and see what happens!

4. *A Walk to Remember*: This Nicholas Sparks tale is the tear-jerker of all tear-jerkers. Landon and Jamie first meet when Landon is being punished for playing a horrible prank on a classmate. Despite teasing from Landon's friends, they become close when Jamie begins helping Landon with his lines for a

school play. They begin a beautiful relationship, and Landon helps Jamie achieve her list of things to do in her lifetime, a lifetime that will be cut tragically short by terminal leukemia. He stays by her side as she battles her illness, and true to his dedication to help her achieve the items on her list, he marries her in the same chapel her parents were wed. Ultimately, his first love changes Landon for the better.

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5. *The Best of Me*: This film, being released this Friday, October 17th, has been widely anticipated by Nicholas Sparks fanatics and romance movie junkies alike. The story follows Dawson and Amanda, who were high school sweethearts. Twenty years after their split, they reunite in their hometown to attend the funeral of a close friend. Amanda is now married and a mother, but the passionate love she once felt for Dawson ignites again. We can already see ourselves curled up on the couch with our besties, rooting for these characters to find their happy ending (although we know better than to think that with Sparks at the wheel!).



A young Dawson and Amanda in 'The Best of Me'. Photo courtesy of Relativity Media / Mammoth NYC.

6. *Sweet Home Alabama*: Melanie and Jake fell in love as kids and eventually married. When Melanie left him to pursue a career as a fashion designer in New York City, Jake refused to sign their divorce papers. Melanie, who has hidden her Southern roots with a fake last name, travels home to Alabama upon becoming engaged to the mayor's son Andrew and hopes to end her first marriage. While in Alabama, she remembers what she loves about her friends and family. Soon enough, Andrew shows up and discovers the truth about his fiancé. What happens next is anyone's guess!

7. *Like Crazy*: Jake and Anna meet in college in Los Angeles, where Anna is an exchange student from London. They immediately fall in love, but as soon as graduation hits, her student visa expires. Anna's legal troubles continue, and the couple has to fight even more for the love they share.

8. *My Girl*: This tragedy is particularly heart-wrenching. Vada struggles with understanding life – because of her father's profession as a funeral director, because she lives in a

funeral home, and because she blames herself for her mother's death, which occurred shortly after she gave birth to Vada. Her best friend Thomas accompanies her everywhere, even on her frequent visits to the doctor's office (living in a funeral home has made her a hypochondriac). A tragic loss causes Vada to struggle even more but not before she discovers what true love is.

9. *Grease*: We all know the lyrics to this upbeat soundtrack, don't we? Sandy and Danny fell in love over the summer, but sadly, Sandy has to return to her home in Australia. Suddenly, though, her parents decide to stay, and Sandy heads to Rydell High School, where Danny attends. Danny, who is a greaser, tries to keep up his macho act in front of his friends, upsetting good girl Sandy. Of course, thanks to music, the two eventually end up back in each other's arms.

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10. *The Fault in Our Stars*: Hazel and Augustus meet in a cancer patient support group in Indianapolis. Augustus's illness caused him to lose his leg, while Hazel's cancer is slowly destroying her lungs. The two become close and agree to read each other's favorite novels. They track down the author of Hazel's nominated book down in an effort to find out answers regarding the sudden, mysterious conclusion of the book. Based on a true story, their journey is sure to tug at your heartstrings!

These wonderful movies can really help you understand what all different types of love can look like but even with hundreds of movies out there, it is sometimes extremely hard for a man [to know when a woman is attracted to you sexually](#) if there are no clues or signs. Hopefully, these movies will give you some tips and clues.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: One lucky reader will receive a *The Best of***~~

~~Me prize pack, including a branded hoodie, branded lip balm, branded tote bag, branded Kleenex box, branded coffee mug, The Best of Me book by Nicholas Sparks, a soundtrack from the film, a mini poster, and a \$25 Fandango gift card. To enter our giveaway, email cupid@cupidpulse.com with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on October 30th. In the subject line, please write "The Best of Me Giveaway." You can also enter [via Facebook](#). You can enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

Giveaway is now closed. Thank you to all who participated!



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Nicholas Sparks' 'Safe Haven' Soon to Be In Theaters!



By Meghan Fitzgerald

Once you hear the name Nicholas Sparks, you're automatically in, right? *Dear John*, *The Last Song*, *Nights in Rodanthe*, *The Notebook*; who wouldn't be thrilled for yet again another phenomenal love story on screen? In Sparks' new movie *Safe Haven*, the hunky Josh Duhamel stars alongside the beautiful Julianne Hough in a love story. Katie (Hough), moves into a

small town in North Carolina, Southport, looking to run away from her past and start over. Katie's mysterious and sudden arrival is noticed by many, especially widowed store owner, Alex (Duhamel). As much as Hough tries to distance herself from people, she begins to set roots down in the town, particularly with Alex and his two children. As Katie begins to fall in love with Alex, her past begins spiraling into her life, leaving her terrified and struggling to feel safe. She knows she must make a decision: a life full of safety and minimum troubles, or a life slightly more dangerous, but full of love? Fellas, include this in your perfect Valentines Day plans, as the movie comes out on February 14th.

Should you see it: Guys, it's Nicholas Sparks! Of course you should see it, there should be no hesitation on whether or not you will be seeing this movie. Josh Duhamel! Just his name makes womens' insides melt, let alone his face and body in its entirety on screen! *Safe Haven* even has a guest appearance from the one and only, Cobie Smulders! With this cast, the movie will be incredible!

Who to take: This movie comes out on Valentines Day, it will definitely be a tear-jerker. Since *Safe Haven* comes out on Valentines Day, your options on who to take are vast. No Valentine this year? Don't worry about it, gather together a group of other single ladies and go out with each other. Have a Valentine this year? Buy two tickets, one popcorn, snuggle up together in the comfy movie chairs, shed a few tears, and laugh together.

In the trailer, we see how incredible both Duhamel and Hough are as actors, and also how compatible they are together. It is pretty clear of the chemistry amongst the two costars. You can star into their eyes and know that they are destined to play alongside each other. Nicholas Sparks has a way of connecting his characters through his text and director, Lasse Hallstrom has carried this through. The trailer shows the

intensity of their love in the movie, the way Katie looks at Alex when he's around his kids. You can see their love, the chaos of Katie's life, how frightened she is, all in the rapid scenes of fire, running, kissing, and passion. This movie is a must see for all ages and all genders!

When should you risk your life for love?

Cupid's Advice:

Love is an aspect of life most people strive for. Determining what you should sacrifice or drop for love is a hard line to discover. Of course with every relationship, you have to put yourself out there. You need to open up, accept the fact that your partner wants to fully love you, you simply need to open up. Having a haunted past can affect how you react with risking your life with love. Similar to Katie (Hough) in *Safe Haven*, risking your life for love is sometimes necessary. Cupid has some advice:

1. You need to move on: Having a rough breakup, or a past relationship where you were frightened and not comfortable, can make going into a new relationship challenging. Fortunately for these people, there are better men out there! If you are scared to start dating another person because of your ex, you need to move on darling. There are other people out there who are going to treat you better than the last did, you just have to let them break down your walls.

2. You have found 'the one': So many people discuss about 'the one,' and when you've found 'the one,' nothing else in life matters. This may be true, if you do nothing but think about the love of your life, if all you want to do is be around them, and know they're 'the one'; risk it. Why would you want to lose your other life because you may be scared to open up, or let go of your past. If he is 'the one,' don't think about it twice, go for it.

3. You want danger: Some women tend to stick themselves in a safety net, putting their life tucked safely away. This is only good for a person for so long, it is not healthy to always know what is going to happen because you won't allow anything else. If you're in a rut, spending all your time with your Netflix account, be dangerous. Risk yourself for love, we promise it's worth it.

Have you ever risked your life for love? Explain below!

'The Lucky One' is Perfect for Spring Romance



From Nicholas Sparks, the author who wrote *The Notebook* and *Dear John*, comes this romantic tale starring heartthrob Zac Efron. The *High School Musical* star plays Logan, an Iraq war veteran who claims to have survived for one reason, a picture he found a girl he does not know. After the war, he goes to find his savior. It turns out her name is Beth, and Logan ends up working at her family's kennel. Romance develops between the two and could lead to true love. *The Lucky One* looks to be a perfect spring romance film.

Should You See It? If you need a romance fix or just feeling having a good time at the movies then absolutely. This film should be a fun romance flick to get away from reality for a few hours.

Who To Take: This is a great one to take your mom to. It should be a fun bonding experience, but you could also take your friends. Unless your significant other is a big romance fan, this is a date movie that might bore them.

Do you have trust issues? Here are some tips on how to be more trustworthy so that love can enter your life more freely.

In *The Lucky One*, Beth does not immediately trust Logan when he shows up on her doorstep. But the story develops in a way that she learns to trust him. This reflects how a lot of people live their lives, except they fail to let their guard down for someone who could be very special. Here are some tips on how not to do that.

1. Don't judge them right away. There is a lot under the surface of a person, but sometimes when we first see someone all we perceive is the surface. Try to be open minded and give them a legitimate person if they had the courage to personally seek you out.

2. Listen to your friends. Sometimes our friends have better insights into our own lives than we do. If they think someone

is right for you then perhaps you should give it a try.

3. Trust yourself. Do you keep making excuses for why it wouldn't work? That usually means you are scared. Let them in and give this thing a shot. You never know until you at least try. If any part of you wants to try it, then it is worth it.

Have you gotten over trust issues before? Share your experiences below!