# Celebrity News: Rita Wilson Opens Up About What She Told Tom Hanks After Breast Cancer Diagnosis





By <u>Mara Miller</u>

In the latest <u>celebrity news</u> according to *UsMagazine.com*, Rita Wilson opened up about what she told Tom Hanks after her breast cancer diagnosis. She had a double mastectomy and took to Instagram to share the story of what she said to Hanks after her diagnosis. "I had a serious discussion with my husband that if anything happens, I wanted him to be super sad for a very long time  $\square$  and I'd also like a party, a celebration," Wilson said. The <u>celebrity couple</u> has been

married since 1988. Wilson has a new single, "Throw Me a Party," releasing soon.

In celebrity news, this longtime couple Rita and Hank dealt with a devastating diagnosis. What are some ways to support your partner through a long-term illness?

#### Cupid's Advice:

It's scary when your partner gets sick. It's even scarier when their illness is of a chronic nature, be it cancer or muscular dystrophy. Cupid has some tips on how to support them through a long-term illness:

1. Research: It's best to research the illness so that you know what to expect. Understanding any medications your partner might need to take will make it easier for you both.

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2. Be understanding: While it might depend on what kind of illness it is that your partner has, there will be times they might too sick to get out of bed. Let them know that you are there for them.

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**3. Listen to them:** You and your partner will both get frustrated. A chronic illness can put a serious strain on a relationship. Communication is more important than ever while your partner is sick.

What are some other ways to support your partner through a chronic illness? Let us know in the comments below!

### 10 Valentine's Day Date Ideas Inspired by Celebrity Couples





By Lori Zaslow and Jenn Zucher for <a href="Project Soulmate">Project Soulmate</a>

February is right around the corner, and we all know what that means: Yes, Valentine's Day is almost here, the one day of year when couples get to celebrate their love and singles get to eat Ben and Jerry's guilt-free. This day is really magical. It's when romance can finally express itself, and those in a

relationship can really show their gratitude for one another.

However, the day doesn't get cut much slack, mostly because a lot of people don't know what to do to celebrate. That's where expert matchmakers Lori Zaslow and Jennifer Zucher can help! They are at the helm of the luxury matchmaking company Project Soulmate, and with their combined expertise, they know how to craft a <u>date idea</u> that's fit for any type of relationship.

This year, with their expert relationship advice, we have crafted 10 date ideas inspired by <u>celebrity couples</u>. These duos all have one thing in common: their strong bond with their soulmate. By taking inspiration from their love lives, we hope you can find a date that will bring you and your partner even closer together.

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# Look to Your Favorite Celebrity Couples for Valentine's Day Inspiration

1. Beyoncé and Jay-Z: This Valentine's Day, we want you and your partner to spend it *Crazy in Love*. We want you to forget all of your *99 Problems* and put your *Love on Top*. Yes, those puns mean what you think they do: a Valentine's date idea inspired by the iconic duo Beyoncé and Jay-Z. This celebrity couple has been together for over 15 years. They've written dozens of songs together and now have three beautiful children — who wouldn't want to spend a day emulating them?

Why not go to a concert for Valentine's Day? It doesn't have to be a big one; it could be a small band that you and your loved one both enjoy. Singing and listening to music with your partner on such a romantic day is sure to hit some right

- notes. Or, if you want something more low-key, a karaoke bar could be great. Enjoying music together is perfect for couples who already have a passion for the industry —and obviously, a shared musical interest has served Beyoncé and Jay-Z well.
- 2. Victoria and David Beckham: When you think of inspirational celebrity couples, who comes to mind? If it's not Victoria and David Beckham, then you've had a lapse in memory because no couple is more #goals than them! These two are the textbook definition of class, and we heard that, if you look up "posh" in the dictionary, you'll find a picture of the two of them surrounded by their four children. We're joking, of course, but this celebrity couple is the inspiration for our next Valentine's Day date idea: a swanky dinner.

Going to a posh, new restaurant with your significant other is a classic idea and a tried-and-true Valentine's Day date. So throw in a David Beckham-twist, and head to a sports game or bar before the two of you dress up for your five-star meal. It may be a fun way to release some nerves before your dinner plans.

3. Kristen Bell and Dax Shepard: Two of the most underrated people in Hollywood also happen to be happily married and have a relationship that shows that shared humor is a blessing. Kristen Bell and Dax Shepard have proven that a love for comedy leads to the purest of partnerships and makes for some great laughs that help you and your loved one grow even closer. Taking inspiration from these two, go to a comedy club or an underground stand-up night. Take your partner to a place where you both can laugh and enjoy a fun time that's bound to be memorable.

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**4. Rose Leslie and Kit Harington:** You and your partner have a solid relationship, and you guys aren't the going out type.

The two of you have no plans for Valentine's Day, except that Chinese takeout you want to order, and you're not really sure what to watch. Take a cue from stars Rose Leslie and Kit Harrington, who fell in love while on set together for *Game of Thrones*. Find shows and films where the couples are married in real life, and watch their romance blossom on-screen, all the while knowing that they're still in love off-camera. Start by rewatching (or watching for the first time!) those early episodes of *GoT* where Jon and Ygritte fall in love, and don't miss the true magic that is being filmed between these two soulmates!

5. Rita Wilson and Tom Hanks: Another date night idea that doesn't involve going out and dealing with the madness that is Valentine's Day takes inspiration from power couple Rita Wilson and Tom Hanks. These two have been happily married for almost 30 years and have two sons together, but as a couple, they're probably best-known for their ability to keep to themselves. They've managed to stay under the radar when in comes to paparazzi, and that's because they're both as down-to-earth as a celebrities can get. They prove that you don't have to be glitz and glam to enjoy being with your loved one.

Take inspiration from them and stay home and make dinner together. Spend a low-key night bonding with each other and with your family rather than making a big scene. Their love has proven that it's not about what you do; it's about who you do it with.

6. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick: Valentine's Day doesn't strictly mean that you and your partner have to spend time alone together. It's a day about love, but it doesn't have to be spent isolated from your closest friends. This Valentine's Day, take inspiration from Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick and host a group dinner at home. This celebrity couple is known for their incredible group of friends; they know how to be loving with their spouse while also maintaining a healthy social life. So why not have a

Valentine's Day dinner party and avoid the hassle of making plans at a fully-booked restaurant? Afterwards, you all can play cute couple games and end the night on a fun note.

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7. Mila Kunis and Ashton Kutcher: Mila Kunis shared that her first kiss ever was on the set of That 70's Show with her future husband Ashton Kutcher. If that isn't one of the cutest stories ever, we don't know what is! The two of them have two children together and are always pictured smiling ear-to-ear at basketball and baseball games together.

That's why our next date idea was easy: Take your loved one to a sporting event. Watching sports together makes for some great moments — from the pre-game tailgate to the first minutes after a big win, a game is bound to make the two of you feel closer. Plus, this celebrity couple seems to really enjoy watching the game together, so if it works for them, it can't hurt to try it with your significant other.

8. Jada Pinkett-Smith and Will Smith: The next inspiration for a Valentine's Day date idea comes from a famous couple that exemplifies trendy. Jada Pinkett-Smith and Will Smith have been together for nearly 21 years and have two children who have both thrived in the artsy-alternative community. This is a family of trendsetters and artists, so a date inspired by them needs to be on the same thread.

That's why we suggest that you and your soulmate go to a modern art exhibit or a jazz club — something that stimulates your minds but is visually or musically pleasing too. Afterwards, go to a cute little place for dinner for a well-rounded date. You can talk about the art or performance during your meal, so you don't have to worry about any awkward silences!

9. Sarah Michelle Gellar and Freddie Prinze Jr.: From She's

All That to Cruel Intentions, Sarah Michelle Gellar and Freddie Prinze Jr. ruled the silver screen of 90's romances, and now, they have championed a new field: long-term celebrity relationships. They have been married for almost 16 years and have two children together, and there has never been a rumor of them getting a celebrity divorce or threatening to split.

A great date idea for the couple who loves a little bit of 90's romance is a night out at a retro theatre watching old rom-coms. Snack on some buttery popcorn and soda for a throwback Valentine's Day date night!

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10. Meghan Markle and Prince Harry: We couldn't end this list without including the celebrity couple whose engagement has dominated headlines for the past month or so. Yes, we're talking about the much anticipated royal wedding of Meghan Markle and Prince Harry. Taking inspiration from this couple, we decided that the best date idea would be to get fancy and take your loved one to high tea. Enjoy the cute little hors d'oeuvres and classy tea rituals before heading to a spa for some much-needed rest and relaxation. End the day with a bath bomb or a bubble bath from Lush's collection of rose-scented goodies, and enjoy some romantic tub time as a couple.

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#### 5 Celebrity Couples Who Are

#### Nailing Relationships

### Long-Distance





By <u>Katie Gray</u>

<u>Celebrity couples</u> are just like any other couples, which sometimes entails being in a long distance relationship. <u>Celebrity relationships</u> can nail the long-distance aspect when they have good communication, are both dedicated and put in extra effort. Whether these celebrities send photos, write love letters or FaceTime, they have found the secrets to making long distance work. For some, it's only a temporary situation and for others, it is sporadic sequences.

# Cupid has compiled five celebrity couples who are nailing long-distance relationships:

- 1. Sarah Michelle Gellar & Freddie Prinze Jr: Sarah Michelle Gellar and Freddie Prinze Jr. got together in 1997 and have been happily together ever since. They've even appeared in the Scooby-Doo films together! They are one celebrity relationship that find a healthy balance between work and play, privacy and publicity. It's evident that they make it work while they have to be apart. To this day, they post sweet photos together and are still very much in love.
- 2. Tom Hanks & Rita Wilson: Since they were married in 1988, Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson have been making their marriage work. They are both successful actors and that entails having different filming schedules. In addition, they have to having travel for appearances and events. Hanks and Wilson are genuine people and are a positive relationship to emulate. They have been together well over 20 years. We love them!
- 3. Elton John & David Furnish: Elton John has been with his partner David Furnish for over two decades. The music superstar has to tour for his concerts, therefore; sometimes there is bound to be distance. The celebrity couple got married when same-sex marriage was legalized. They have traditions together, such as sending one another a card every single Saturday. How sweet!

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**4. David & Victoria Beckham:** Megastars David and Victoria Beckham are one of our favorite celebrity marriages. They were together for 11 years before they had to deal with a long-distance relationship and marriage because David Beckham was

living in California for his professional soccer career. At the time, Victoria Beckham was splitting her time between Los Angeles and London. They have beautiful children and are making their marriage work. Cheers to the Beckhams!

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5. Claire Danes & Hugh Dancy: Actress Claire Danes is a class act. She's very talented at the craft of acting. She has also been married to Hugh Dancy for years. When she is filming, that means they have to be in a long-distance marriage until filming wraps. She has stated that the little things like sending photos are what makes it work. You must pretend that you are really with each other in person, and continue to keep in touch and do things that you would in person.

Who are your favorite celebrity couples that make long-distance relationships work? Comment below!

# Celebrity Couples: Marriages That Survived the Seven-Year Itch





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Jessica Alba and Cash Warren

What a fantastic love story this celebrity couple shares! Alba

met Warren on the set of 'Fantastic Four' in 2004, and by 2008, the two had said "I do." The pair later welcomed daughters Honor and Haven. Photo: STPR / PRPhotos.com

# Relationship Advice: 8 Creative Ways That Older Couples Can Keep the Romance Alive





By Amy Osmond Cook for Divorce Support Center

Despite what the tabloids may say, not all celebrity relationships go down in flames. Joanne Woodward and Paul Newman were happily married for 50 years; Michael J. Fox and Tracy Pollan found lasting love; and Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson are still going strong. It may take a little extra effort to keep the love alive through the years, especially if you and your significant other have forgotten how to connect or are stuck in the same routine. But with some relationship advice, the passion is sure to ignite again!

## Consider the relationship advice below to add a little spice to your love life:

1. Get back to the basics: As an experienced couple, you know what makes your love tick. It could be surprise kisses, breakfast in bed, watching the sunset together, or enjoying old movies. The relationship advice that I encourage you to consider is to think back to the little things that made your partnership exciting over the years. Even holding hands or taking the time to express specific things you love about one another can make a big difference.

Leslie Stubenvoll, director of social services at Palm Terrace Healthcare and Rehab in Laguna Woods, CA, said, "The couples that shine the brightest are the ones that make the effort to hold hands, be extra nurturing, and pay attention to the other's needs." Sometimes, the most romantic thing you can do is give simple reminders and signals that they're on your mind.

2. Go on a walk together: Quality time is a must when it comes to romance. Walking is the perfect way to spend quality time, share meaningful conversation, and even do some of that handholding! You'll have the opportunity to reconnect, get some

exercise and fresh air, and take a break from your usual routine.

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- 3. Plan a photoshoot: Over the years, you've probably taken many family photos with kids, grandkids, and a wide range of color-coordinated outfits. Try doing a photo shoot of just the two of you. Dress up in your favorite clothes, drive to your favorite spot around town or in nature, and have your photos professionally taken. Not only will this be a fun way to spend time together, but it'll also give you romantic photographs to hang up around your home. Not to mention, during the photo shoot, you'll be reminded of how her eyes sparkle or how his smile makes your heart skip a beat!
- **4. Take a road trip:** Your favorite tunes, good food, new sights, and the endless road add up to one great date idea. A road trip could be just the trick you need to rekindle your romance. Try adding a little excitement by making the destination unknown or researching a bed and breakfast where you two can spend the night.
- 5. Go on a scavenger hunt: This romantic idea is a fun twist on a road trip. Map out all the places that are significant to your relationship, including favorite restaurants, places you love to walk, or locations of good memories. You can design it as a scavenger hunt with the final location being somewhere new to both of you. By the end of the day, you'll both be reminded of the history that's made your relationship strong.
- 6. Focus on intimacy: Some couples struggle with intimacy as they grow older. A <u>healthier</u> sex life between you and your partner could be the key to your romance struggles. If your relationship is lacking in this department, trade in a date night for a weekend getaway. For an even simpler idea, light some candles to set the mood. Intimacy is essential to connecting as a couple and can often be a romantic experience

for both parties.

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- 7. Explore new hobbies: Learning something new is a great way to bond and make exciting memories with your loved one. Take up golfing or attend an art class. The two of you will have something new to share while spending meaningful time with each other. This kind of experience can help shake up the routine and reignite the romance.
- 8. Learn about your love language: Sometimes, the best way to increase romance is to learn how you and your partner want to be loved. One of my favorite books is <u>The 5 Love Languages</u>. The book outlines the five possible ways most people want to receive and give love. Understanding how your partner wants to be loved, whether it's through acts of service or words of affirmation, will help you connect and feel the love on a deeper level.

It's never too late to turn up the heat in your love life. Try out some of these tips, and the flame of your romance will be reignited!

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How do you and your sweetheart keep the romance alive? Comment below!

#### 10 Celebrity Couples Who

#### Can't Get Divorced Or We'll Lose All Faith in Love





By Dejha Carlisle

We all love the lives of famous <u>celebrity couples</u>. Everything about their <u>celebrity relationships</u> seem perfect! Their Instagram pictures and cute matching tattoos (for the edgy couples) make us wish to be in their shoes. Of course, they encompass our relationship goals, but which <u>celebrity couples</u> would we hate to see divorced?

#### These are the top couples that

## Cupid would hate to see divorced, or we'd lose a little of our faith in love:

- 1. Jennifer Aniston & Justin Theroux: This couple said their "I do's" on Aug. 5. The couple got engaged on Theroux's birthday, which is pretty darn special! Their ceremony was a secret, so the couple loves their privacy.
- 2. Tom Hanks & Rita Wilson: This pair makes a good team when it comes to respect and support from one another. They manage to keep their personal business private, which is essential for a healthy, successful relationship.

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- 3. Goldie Hawn & Kurt Russell: These two have an easygoing relationship that most would love to have. Though they aren't technically married, Hawn and Russell has maintained a down-to-earth love in their relationship, and you will find it hard to believe they will ever separate!
- 4. Annette Bening & Warren Beatty: What makes their relationship so special? Beatty was the biggest womanizer in the industry back in his day, that is until he met Bening. What made him choose her over everyone else? Her cool and confident composure.

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- 5. Mary-Kate Olsen & Olivier Sarkozy: This relationship is a very cozy one, given that many people didn't approve of their celebrity marriage. The two don't seem to mind what others think, and their love definitely seems genuine.
- 6. Kevin Bacon & Kyra Sedgwick: This couple makes it a point to keep family first, and they make sure they recognize each

other's accomplishments. They know they have to compromise, and this is the main key to their successful marriage.

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- 7. Jada Smith & Will Smith: These two know how to keep their relationship fresh and spontaneous. Pinkett met Will when she auditioned for a role on *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*. Although she didn't get the part, she did catch his eye. This couple has been together ever since, and has had two beautiful children.
- 8. Jamie Chung & Bryan Greenberg: Greenberg declared himself a lucky man when he married Chung! Who wouldn't want their husband to feel the same way? This couple shows a lot of enthusiasm in their marriage, and many couples tend to forget that part.

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- **9. Denzel Washington & Paulette Pearson:** Washington and his wife met on the job, like most famous married couples. They maintained a very successful relationship, and have four children.
- 10. Elton John & David Furnish: This couple formed a civil partnership when it became legal in 2005. The two have been dedicated to their love and family ever since.

What other celebrity couples would you hate to see divorce? Comment below.

#### Celebrity Photo Gallery: Breast Cancer Survivors





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Amy Robach

'Good Morning America' anchor Amy Robach was diagnosed with breast cancer in October 2013 when she received a mammogram on air. She recently opened up about how trying the disease was on her celebrity marriage. Photo: Janet Mayer / PR Photos

#### 5 Celebrity Marriages That Are Rock Solid





By Molly Jacob

With news of <u>Ben Affleck</u> and <u>Jennifer Garner</u>'s celebrity divorce, we're wondering whether Hollywood relationships can really last through the fame, wealth, and stardom. Not all hope is lost! Some celebs still stay together through all the tabloid rumors, scandals, and ordeals. There are some <u>celebrity marriages</u> that have stood the test of time and stayed rock solid.

# See what celebrity couples are still together and stronger than ever, and see what love advice they have for other couples!

#### 1. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith:

Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith met on the set of *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*, when Pinkett Smith was auditioning for the role of Will's girlfriend (a role that went to Nia Long). This

celebrity couple got hitched in 1997 after two years of dating. The Smiths have raised celebs of their own in their celebrity marriage, with Willow and Jaden stealing the spotlight in many of Smith's movies. As for love advice, Pinkett Smith said in an interview with Howard Stern, "We have traveled and you've gotta be strong. It takes work — you know that!"

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#### 2. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick:

These celebrity couple superstars have been together 18 years and have three children together. Broderick offered this love advice in an interview with E!: "Keep talking I guess, I know how cliché that is. Too much silence is definitely not a good idea."

#### 3. Tim McGraw and Faith Hill:

County music stars Tim McGraw and Faith Hill met while doing what they do best: while performing at an outdoor music festival. Hill broke off an engagement with producer Scott Hendricks and McGraw broke up with his girlfriend so that the pair could start dating and become the well-known Hollywood relationship they are today. Since their marriage in 1996, this celebrity couple has had three beautiful daughters. The country music celebs recently put to rest rumors that they were getting divorced.

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#### 4. Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson:

Hollywood superstars Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson married in 1998 and have two kids together, Chester and Truman. When Wilson had a double mastectomy this past May, Hanks stayed by her

side and took care of her throughout the whole ordeal. The celeb said in an interview with The *New York Times* that dealing with this brought this Hollywood relationship closer together.

#### 5. John Travolta and Kelly Preston:

John Travolta and Kelly Preston met while filming *The Experts* in 1987 and married four years later. While many negative rumors have swirled around these celebs during the course of their marriage, they've managed to stay strong for the past 24 years. This celebrity marriage endured through many heartbreaking struggles, including their son's tragic death in 2009.

What other celebrity marriages are rock solid? Let us know by commenting below!

### 5 Celebrity Couples Who Prove Love Can Last a Lifetime





By Courtney Omernick

When you think of "celebrity couples" and "lasting love," you don't usually think they go together. However, there have been a few celebrity couples that made sure their love kept them together. Maybe it's time to follow their love and relationship advice.

## Listed below are Cupid's five celebrity couples who've proven that love can last a lifetime.

1. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick: Sarah and Matthew married on May 9, 1997 and have had a solid relationship and love life ever since. The famous couple has a son, James, and twin girls, Marion and Tabitha, together.

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2. Meryl Streep and Don Gummer: This actress and painter duo

have been together for 37 years. Meryl and Don married in 1978 at her parent's home in Connecticut. They went on to have four children: Mami, Grace, Henry, and Louisa.

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- **3. Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson:** This dynamic duo met on the set of Tom's TV Show, *Bosom Buddies* in the early 1980's. The two married in 1988 and have two sons together, Chet and Truman.
- 4. Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell: Even though these two have never married, they've still maintained a strong relationship that has lasted over 30 years! This couple has been together since 1983, and had one son, but raised multiple children together from previous relationships.
- **5. Jeff Bridges and Susan Geston:** Jeff has only been married once, and that's to the love of his life, Susan Geston. The couple married 38 years ago (five days after Jeff proposed) and have three daughters together. Jeff told reporters that he danced with Susan at a party and "just knew."

What are some other long lasting, celebrity relationships? Comment below!

### Celebrity Marriages That Span the Decades





By Jessica Smith

Celebrity marriages comes and go—some much quicker than others. Of course, there are infamous short term marriages, such as Britney Spears and Jason Alexander, who were united in holy matrimony for a whole two days, Carmen Electra and Dennis Rodman, who were husband and wife for six days or Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries, who were committed for only 72 days. On the other hand, there's a good handful of celebrity couples that have stayed true to their marriage vows since the day they said, "I do." Undoubtedly these couples have gone through major ups and downs like all couples do, but their love for one another and their marriage has conquered everything. Here are some Hollywood marriages to take note of:

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1. Ozzy and Sharon Osbourne: This musical couple makes the top of our list because they've had one of the most successful marriages in Hollywood. As husband and wife, they've

definitely had more than their fair share of obstacles thrown at them, but nothing can demolish their love for one another. Sharon and Ozzy Osbourne even managed to survive the reality TV show curse. They've been married for 30 years.

- 2. Kevin Bacon and Kyra Sedgwick: Kevin Bacon and Kyra Sedgwick met on set while they filmed a PBS movie, and they've been working side by side ever since. After 24 years of being bound together, they still seem incredibly happy and very close.
- **3. Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson:** This is a couple that you can count on to be together for the rest of their lives. Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson met in 1985 on the set of the movie *Volunteers*. They were married three years later. The lovebirds have been supporting and loving each other for 24 years.
- **4. Denzel Washington and Pauletta Pearson:** Before Denzel Washington became an Academy Award, Golden Globe and Tonywinning actor, he fell in love with his longtime wife Pauletta Pearson on the set of his first movie *Wilma*. The couple has been together for 29 years.

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5. Danny DeVito and Rhea Perlman: Danny DeVito and Rhea Perlman were joined together in holy matrimony 29 years ago. Although this couple is very private, we know that they're still going strong. In fact, this privacy might be the reason for their success.

Who's your favorite successful Hollywood couple? Share your comments below!

### Top Five Celebrity Couples Who Have Made Love Last





By Tammy Warner

It sometimes seems like every married couple in Hollywood is filing for a separation, an annulment or a divorce within a few months of their wedding day. There are a few celebrity marriages, however, that have managed to last despite the unique challenges that fame can present. Here are some couples who have defied the odds:

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1. Sharon and Ozzy Osbourne: Perhaps the most unique couple on this list are Sharon and Ozzy Osbourne, who have been married

- since 1982. The Osbournes say that their relationship is stronger now than ever. Their marriage has definitely faced obstacles, but the two have beaten a hectic touring schedule and even a drug addiction. The pair have stood by each other through many life events, even working together on projects, and their 30th anniversary is this year.
- 2. John Travolta and Kelly Preston: John Travolta and Kelly Preston were friends for several years before dating, but once they were both finally single, Cupid's arrow struck. The duo were married in a quick ceremony in Paris, France, in 1991. Their relationship has overcome allegations of infidelity—an unfortunately common problem for many celebrity couples—and the loss of their son. However, the two are still going strong.
- 3. Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson: Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson met in 1981, but romance didn't blossom until 1985. The couple recently celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary, and both claim that they continue to fall more and more in love with each other. When most other celebrity marriages seem to be falling apart, Hanks and Wilson's is a glowing exception.
- **4. Jon Bon Jovi and Dorothea Hurley:** Like the Osbournes, Jon Bon Jovi and Dorothea Hurley have dealt with difficult touring schedules, drug abuse and infidelity throughout their long marriage. Despite the presence of these major issues, the couple always works through them. Bon Jovi still states publicly that Hurley "is the best ever."

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**5. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith:** Even though rumors have claimed that the marriage between Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith is over, both of them state that nothing could be further from the truth. Married in 1997, they are happily raising two children who appear to be following in their parents' famous footsteps. They state that the reason they

have made it in Hollywood is because they "continue to grow together," and they will celebrate their  $15^{\text{th}}$  wedding anniversary this year.

These five couples aren't the only celebrities who have managed to make their relationships succeed, but they are some of the brightest glowing examples. As they show, whether you are a celebrity or not, relationships can last with enough work, patience and determination.

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