

Celebrity Couple News: 'Bachelor' Alums Ashley Iaconetti & Jared Haibon Are Dating – Finally!



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In [celebrity dating news](#), *Bachelor in Paradise* stars Ashley Iaconetti and Jared Haibon are dating after three years of friendship. According to *UsMagazine.com*, the couple has been secretly dating since March. Iaconetti first fell for Haibon on *BIP* in 2015, but the feelings were not reciprocated, causing Iaconetti a lot of heartbreak and tears. But, on a January trip to St. Lucia with fellow *BIP* alums Jade Roper and Tanner Tolbert, Haibon realized he had feelings for his long-time friend. At the time, Iaconetti was in a relationship with Kevin Wendt who she met on *Bachelor Winter Games*. Haibon admitted on Iaconetti's show *The Story of Us* that seeing Iaconetti with Wendt was "a big kick in the ass." So, on the St. Lucia trip, Haibon confessed his feelings and kissed her

at the airport, but Iaconetti decided she wanted to keep dating Wendt. Luckily, Iaconetti soon realized her heart was with her long-time crush, so she ended things with her boyfriend and got together with Haibon. On Instagram, Haibon captioned a photo of the new [celebrity couple](#), “I came here tonight because when you realize you want to spend the rest of your life with somebody, you want the rest of your life to start as soon as possible.” Iaconetti posted a pic of her and Haibon in a field of flowers captioned “I love my boyfriend.”

In celebrity couple news, *Bachelor* fans are flipping out about this couple coming together after being friends for three years! What are some ways to let a long-time friend know you have feelings for them?

Cupid's Advice:

Ashley and Jared went from friends to lovers. Cupid has some tips on how to get there:

1. Get a friend involved: Before deciding to try to take your relationship with the friend you have feelings for to the next level, consult a friend the both of you have in common. A mutual friend can tell you if the person you're crushing on reciprocates the feelings and whether or not you should go for it.

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2. Be prepared for the outcome: To protect yourself from

getting too hurt, it's important you recognize the risk in telling your friend you have feelings for them. Your affection could be shared, which would be great! But, you should be ready for potential disappointment if they are not. You also should remember that whatever the outcome is of revealing your love, your relationship with your friend is bound to change because of it.

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3. Talk to them: If you want to confess your feelings, you really just have to have a frank conversation with the object of your affections. Set a time and sit down and talk to your long-time friend about how you feel. If you're honest and understanding, your friend will be too. Who knows, it could lead to something special!

Have any more tips on how to take your friendship to the next level? Comment them below!