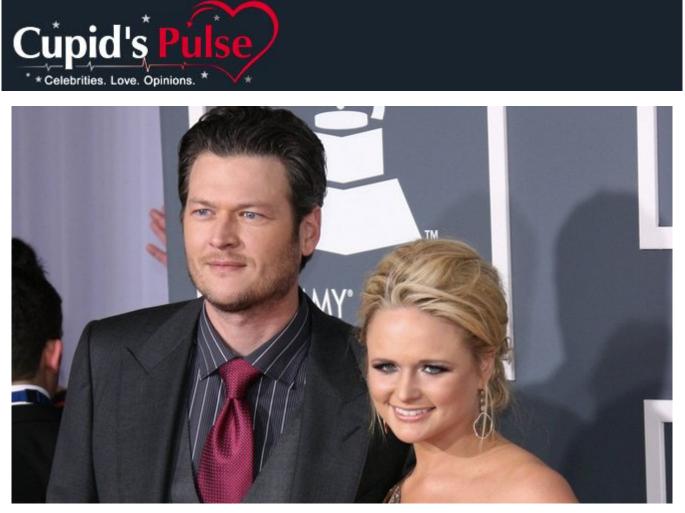
## Miranda Lambert Says Blake Shelton Loves to Decorate for Christmas



By Jennifer Ross

Country music stars Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert are definitely into having a very merry Christmas time. It not only is a holiday they love to celebrate, it is their "light at the end of the tunnel." In the Dec. 3 issue, Lambert tells <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "We can stop rushing around and just be together." Going back to his childhood days, Shelton loves "to decorate" for the holidays and choose "food out of magazines" for his 29 year-old bride to make. Also, Shelton, 36, asked his talented singing wife to accompany him in a duet on "Home" for his NBC special, Blake Shelton's Not So Family Christmas. Without hesitation, Lambert was more than willing to contribute. "I'm glad to be a part of it. I loved watching him sing with Reba McEntire and Kelly Clarkson. He was so comfortable with the biggest divas on the planet!"

## What do you do if your partner isn't a fan of the holidays?

## Cupid's Advice:

The holidays are wonderful opportunities to be with friends and family, creating memories. However, your holiday fun can be dampened when your partner doesn't see the joy in it. That shouldn't discourage you from celebrating them anyways. To help keep the holiday spirit alive, here are a few ways to leave the coals out of your relationship's stocking:

1. Understand why: There may be an underlying issue as to why your mate isn't a fan. Is it social awkwardness? Childhood issues surrounding holidays? Maybe he/she doesn't like your family? Whatever it is, be understanding to their reasons; together, you just may come up with a solution.

2. Start off simple: If your partner is not accustomed to making such a fuss over the holidays due to his/her childhood, start off small. Instead of a Christmas party for thirty, have a holiday dinner for six maximum. The stress and complications of holidays may be what deters him/her.

**3. Plan anyways:** While you cannot force holidays on your partner, you can continue on with your plans regardless of his/her involvement. After all, your mate is not required to attend the party. That shouldn't stop you from having your fun and enjoying what you love.

How did you handle your partner not being a fan of the holidays? Tell us below.