

New Couple: Adam Brody and Leighton Meester Are Secretly Dating!



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According to UsMagazine.com, Adam Brody and Leighton Meester have been secretly dating for weeks! Brody, who used to play Seth Cohen on WB's *The O.C.*, costarred in *The Oranges* with Meester. A source told *UsMagazine.com* that the two were close and friendly while on set. The source went on to say that the pair have been hanging out quite a bit since then although they managed to stay out of the public eye. Apparently these love birds even went to Bangkok together. Meester, who is best known for portraying Blair Waldorf in *Gossip Girl* previously dated Aaron Himelstein but the two broke up during the holidays.

What are some reasons to keep your relationship out of the

public eye?

Cupid's Advice:

When you're in a relationship you're so happy that you want to yell to everyone that your dating someone amazing. So why do some choose to keep their relationship under wraps? Cupid is here to tell you why staying on the down low may be a good choice...at least at first anyway:

1. Publicity adds pressure: When a relationship is new, it tends to be very delicate. Keeping your relationship under the radar will help avoid strain that being public may bring. Having your relationship out in public is having it open for people to judge every aspect of it. It might be better to make sure that the relationship is strong enough to handle these pressures before letting everyone in on your new found love.

2. Making sure that it will last: You don't want to tell everyone about your relationship and then have it end a month later. It can be very embarrassing and depressing when someone asks you about your relationship a few weeks after you make it public and you are forced to admit that it is over. Keeping things quiet about your relationship at first will give you time to make sure you and your new beau are compatible enough to maintain a long term relationship.

3. Jealousy: Keeping your new relationship under wraps can help avoid jealousy issues from exs or others. Waiting until you get to know your sweetheart better before opening your relationship up to the world will help to avoid issues from jealous outsiders.

What are your reasons for keeping your relationship out of the public eye? Comment below and let us know!