

# 'Real Housewives of New Jersey' Star Lauren Manzo Is Engaged to Longtime Boyfriend



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'Real Housewives of New Jersey' Star Lauren Manzo is engaged to longtime boyfriend, Vito Scalia. Manzo told [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), "I'm so incredibly happy!! I'm in shock. I'm so excited to spend the rest of my life with my best friend." The couple got engaged on Nov.12.

**How do you know when you're ready to tie the knot?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Getting engaged is a big step in any relationship. You want to make sure you are making the right decision when you decide to tie the knot. So how do you know when you're ready to tie the knot? Cupid has some advice for you:

**1. Support:** If your friends and family support your relationship and like the person you are with that is a big indication that things can and should go to the next level.

Having support from the people that have always been there for you should guide you in the right direction with your relationship. Getting engaged is an exciting time and having the support from family and friends makes this exciting time even better.

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**2. Living situation:** If you've been living together and your relationship is going strong that is a good sign that you are ready to take things to the next level. Living together is one of the hardest parts of being married so if you have been living together and are enjoying it you are ready to get engaged and be fully committed.

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**3. Adding to the family:** Starting a family is a huge deal. If you and your partner have been talking about your future together and starting a family you should definitely take the next steps in becoming a family by tying the knots.

**When did you know you were ready to tie the knot? Share your thoughts below.**