

'Family Ties' Star Meredith Baxter Ties the Knot



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Family Ties star Meredith Baxter and her longtime partner, Nancy Locke tied the knot in an intimate ceremony in Los Angeles Sunday afternoon. A friend sang and played guitar at their wedding ceremony, and during the reception, Locke's band took to the stage. The lovebirds have been together for seven years. "Now I understand why marriage caught on!" Baxter told [People](#).

What are some ways to make music a central theme to your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Music can either bring a wedding celebration together, or

cause the whole occasion to crash and burn. When it comes to showing musical creativity in your reception and ceremony, you and your partner have plenty of options to choose from. Cupid has some tips:

1. Spin the tunes yourself: If you're having your wedding on a tight budget, you might want to think about handling the music all on your own. Plan out some of your favorite songs, along with your partners and get a iPod playlist ready. As long as you have the essentials – a laptop, speakers, audio cables, etc, it shouldn't be too hard to keep things running smoothly throughout your special day. Of course, a friend can always help you out when you're ready to hit the dance floor yourself.

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2. Live band: There's nothing like a live performance to get the crowd's adrenaline going. Yes, the option will probably cost more than DIY tunes or a professional DJ, but you'll walk away with an experience of a lifetime. A band will be able to set the tone for your wedding reception and ceremony and keep the party going without any hiccups.

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3. DJ: With a DJ in hand, you'll be able to hear all of your favorite tunes, plus a dozen more you didn't even think to add to your playlist. If you decide to go this route, pay close attention to who you pick for the gig. A DJ might not understand what kind of "feel" you're going for at your wedding and could possibly ruin the day for you and your honey.

What are some other ways to make music a central theme to your wedding? Comment below.