

# New Couple: Cameron Diaz Is Dating Benji Madden



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After weeks of keeping their relationship under wraps, Cameron Diaz and Benji Madden are finally out in the open. Diaz, 41, and Madden, 35 are considered “new” and “just hanging out” but the Good Charlotte singer is considered the first high-profile relationship for Diaz since her split from Alex Rodriguez in 2011. The pair have Madden’s sister in-law, Nicole Richie to thank for their introduction, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com).

**How do you keep your new relationship on the down-low?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

When your relationship is just blossoming, it can be difficult to figure out your own feelings about that person if your relationship is highly publicized. With everyone giving you

their input, and pestering you about the latest details of your love life, you may get caught up in the attention and neglect the fact that it may not even be working. By initially keeping your new relationship on the down-low, you'll be able to discover your feelings for your new beau, and find out whether or not you could really gal for this person:

**1. Hold off on updating your social media status:** Until you get out of the murky waters of "What direction is this going in?" you don't need to make your relationship Facebook Official. These days defining your relationship is harder than it looks, so at first you don't want to jump to conclusions about your relationship status with your man. Just keep cool, calm and collective, and once you both have your feet on the ground you can upload those adorable selfies you have on your camera roll.

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**2. Do a trial run:** Get out of town for the day. Go to a place where there's no pressure because you won't run into anyone you know. This way you don't have to worry about awkward introductions such as wondering whether to refer to your guy as your friend, boyfriend, or anything else. Now the two of you can test the waters of what it's like to be out in public together, while still getting to know each other on a deeper level.

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**3. Don't make it a big deal until it's a big deal:** When your friends and family inquire about your love-life, keep your answer vague. You don't want to let them in the know until there is actual information to give. It may send the wrong signals to your guy by including loved ones in your dating life. He may think you're trying to get serious too quick, and you don't want your family to get confused if things don't

work out.

**How have you kept your new relationship a secret? Tell us in the comments below!**