## Daniel Radcliffe Says Girlfriend Erin Darke Is "Definitely" His Best Friend





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Daniel Radcliffe seems to have it all these days. In addition to a booming career, including a stint on Broadway, he's happily in love with girlfriend of two years, Erin Darke. The couple met in 2012 while filming the movie *Kill Your Darlings* and have been together ever since. In a recent interview, Radcliffe even told *UsMagazine.com* that Darke is "absolutely" his best friend. "I think that's the kind of relationship I always aspire to have with someone I'm in a relationship with. You want that person to be your best friend," he candidly shared. "In the case of Erin, we definitely are."

What are some advantages of your partner being your best friend?

## Cupid's Advice:

Having your partner be your best friend can create a sense of ease and comfort in your life that is unimaginably good. So what are a few of the benefits of this two-in-one relationship?

1. There is no such thing as "too much information": When there is a strong foundation of friendship supporting the romance, there is more trust. If you and your partner start as friends, you can break down more barriers, which leads to more honest communication. There are no secrets because you do not fear judgment or betrayal from someone who is already your best friend.

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2. Activities are more fun: In a typical romantic partnership, there is a ton of fun, but you probably find the need for a night out with your buddies to get into some different antics that you wouldn't embrace with your significant other around. However, if your beau is your best friend, you'll probably feel comfortable including each other in your friends-only activities, which leads us into our final point...

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3. There is no need to keep your friends separate: Chances are, your sweetheart is already in your group of close friends. That means no neglecting your pals for your partner or vice versa. It also means that, when you're just hanging out, you get to be surrounded by everyone you love, not just your love. Of course, when the night is over, your best friend turns back into your other half, and the fun continues with

the two of you alone!

What is your favorite aspect of being in a relationship with your best friend? Tell us in the comments below!