Sofia Vergara Is Engaged to Joe Manganiello After Only Six Months of Dating





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After just six months of dating, *True Blood* star Joe Manganiello and *Modern Family* actress Sophia Vergara are engaged, according to *UsMagazine.com*. Manganiello waited until Christmas Day to pop the question to Vergara because he "wanted to do it in front of her family." The pair is currently celebrating their engagement and Manganiello's birthday in Hawaii.

How long should you date before getting engaged?

Cupid's Advice:

Each couple is going to have their own opinion about when to get engaged. No matter what you decide, *someone* will think you rushed into things too quickly or you took too long to take the plunge. So how do you when the time is right for you and your beau? Check out our advice below:

1. Do your research: There are multiple studies out there that state that they know the perfect time for a couple to get engaged and then married. If you like looking at studies and getting a substantiated idea as to what works best, go for it!

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2. Consider past relationships: Each person is different, but practice makes perfect. If you've been in serious relationships before, you have an idea as to how ready you are now versus how ready you were before. Also, consider your past and present circumstances. What makes this partnership different?

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3. Go with your gut: No one knows you like you do. If you can see yourself supporting the other person for the rest of your life — even if you've only been together for a short while — an engagement makes sense for you. Just make sure that you're making the right decision or you.

How long have you dated someone before you got engaged? Comment below!