

Reese Witherspoon

When we think of Reese Witherspoon, we think of a beautiful blonde with a sweet Southern accent. The daughter of a physician and a nurse, the actress was born in Louisiana on March 22, 1972. She grew up in Nashville, Tennessee, where she was a debutant and went to an all-girls private school. Her life changed when she decided to answer an extras casting call in her local paper. She ended up getting the lead in the film *The Man on the Moon* at just 14 years old. She went on to establish herself as a talented actress in movies like *Pleasantville*, *Election*, and *Cruel Intentions*.

While filming *Cruel Intentions*, she began exploring an off-set celebrity romance with co-star Ryan Phillippe, whom she first met at her 21st birthday party. The couple married in 1999 and welcomed two children together: daughter Ava Elizabeth and son Deacon Reese. As the actress continued to soar in her career, she landed the role that made her a household name: Elle Woods in *Legally Blonde*, a surprise box office success. She soon proved her true talents in *Walk the Line* as country singer June Carter Cash. The film was a critical and commercial success, earning her an Academy Award and Golden Globe Award for her work. As her professional life was at its peak, her personal one was not doing so well. Witherspoon and Phillippe announced their separation in 2006 and filed for [celebrity divorce](#) the next year.

Since then, Reese Witherspoon has appeared in several films, including *Rendition*, *Penelope*, *Four Christmases*, and *Water for Elephants*, starring next to heartthrobs like Jake Gyllenhaal, Vince Vaughn, and Robert Pattinson. Although she did have a short relationship and love with Gyllenhaal and there were rumors about her and Pattinson, Witherspoon found her soul mate in Hollywood agent Jim Toth. After three years of dating,

the celebrity couple tied the knot in 2011 and then welcomed baby boy Tennessee James. Since giving birth, she has starred in *This Means War*, *Mud*, *Devil's Knot*, and most recently, *Wild*, which earned her a Golden Globe and Oscar nod. She has also extended her career to producing with movies like *Gone Girl* and *Wild*.