

# Racing Stars Graham Rahal and Courtney Force are Engaged



By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

Yesterday, [UsMagazine.com](#) confirmed that Verizon IndyCar series driver Graham Rahal and NHRA driver Courtney Force, who have been together since late 2013, got engaged on November 27th of this year. Rahal proposed to the “lady of his dreams,” as he called her on Twitter, while on vacation in Venice, Italy. The couple is commonly known as “racing’s power couple,” and both took to social media following the engagement to express how happy they were to spend the rest of their lives together.

**What are some ways to incorporate a common interest in your engagement proposal?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

A way to make your special day creative is to incorporate a common interest that you and your loved one shares into your engagement proposal. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Pick a destination:** Choose to propose at a vacation spot you both love or somewhere that is known for something you both love. For example, if you're both "foodies," go to New Orleans, or if you both love music and films, go to Los Angeles.

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**2. Choose an event:** Chances are, if you share common interests, you frequently attend each others' piano recitals, gallery viewings, or lacrosse games. So pick one of those occasions (most likely one of theirs) to pop the big question.

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**3. Invite people who also share your interests:** We've all seen the tear-jerking proposal videos that have gone viral, and most of the time there is a large group of friends and family involved in the surprise. Make it an occasion to remember by inviting the people closest to you to be present for the moment.

**How did you incorporate your interests into your proposal? Tell us about it in the comments below!**

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# Tennis Legend Martina Navratilova and Longtime Partner Julia Lemigova Are Married



By Maggie Manfredi

They tied the knot! According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Martina Navratilova and Julia Lemigova were married on Monday, Dec. 15. The private ceremony was held at Peninsula Hotel in New York. The tennis legend stated, "It's just really odd. I'm 58 years old and I got married for the first time. It's about time, right? Growing up as a gay woman, you just don't think about that, but then about 10 years ago I thought, 'In about 10 years, gay marriage will be legal,' and here we are." The

model and grand slam title holder have been dating since 2006.

**How do you know when you're ready to marry your longtime love?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

If you have been together with your significant other for a long time but still haven't tied the knot, how do you know when you're ready? Cupid has some thoughts:

**1. Share similar goals:** Do you have the same dreams for your future together? Knowing what each of you expects for the coming years will be a good indication of whether or not you should get married.

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**2. Talk about it:** Since you've been together for so long, it'll be important to discuss your next step. Is it a shared commitment you both want to make? What kind of ceremony would you want to have? Is there anything that needs to happen before you pop the question?

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**3. Make it official:** If you have been happy and in love for a long time, why not make it official? Have a celebration of your love and dedication to each other and put a ring on that finger!

**Do you have similar story of waiting to wed? Share your thoughts or stories with us below!**

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# Scarlett Johansson Secretly Married Romain Dauriac in October!



By Amanda Boyer

There are newlyweds in town! Scarlett Johansson and her new husband Romain Dauriac secretly got married several weeks ago. After the birth of their baby girl, Rose Dorothy, in September, the couple decided to keep their wedding a secret for privacy. The ceremony, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), was officiated by Richard J. Miller on Oct. 1 in Philipsburg, Montana in a romantic setting.

**What are some advantages to keeping your wedding under wraps from family and friends?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Keeping your wedding under wraps can be a good idea. Read on for some tips and advantages to a secret ceremony:

**1. It'll be a surprise:** By keeping your wedding details under wraps, your loved ones will be surprised when they see what you did for your big day. You can plan a low-key party to reveal the big news.

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**2. It's yours and yours along:** Your mother-in-law's opinion of your dress or bouquet won't matter if she's not involved in the ceremony! Keeping your wedding private will help you stay focused on what you and your partner want for your special day.

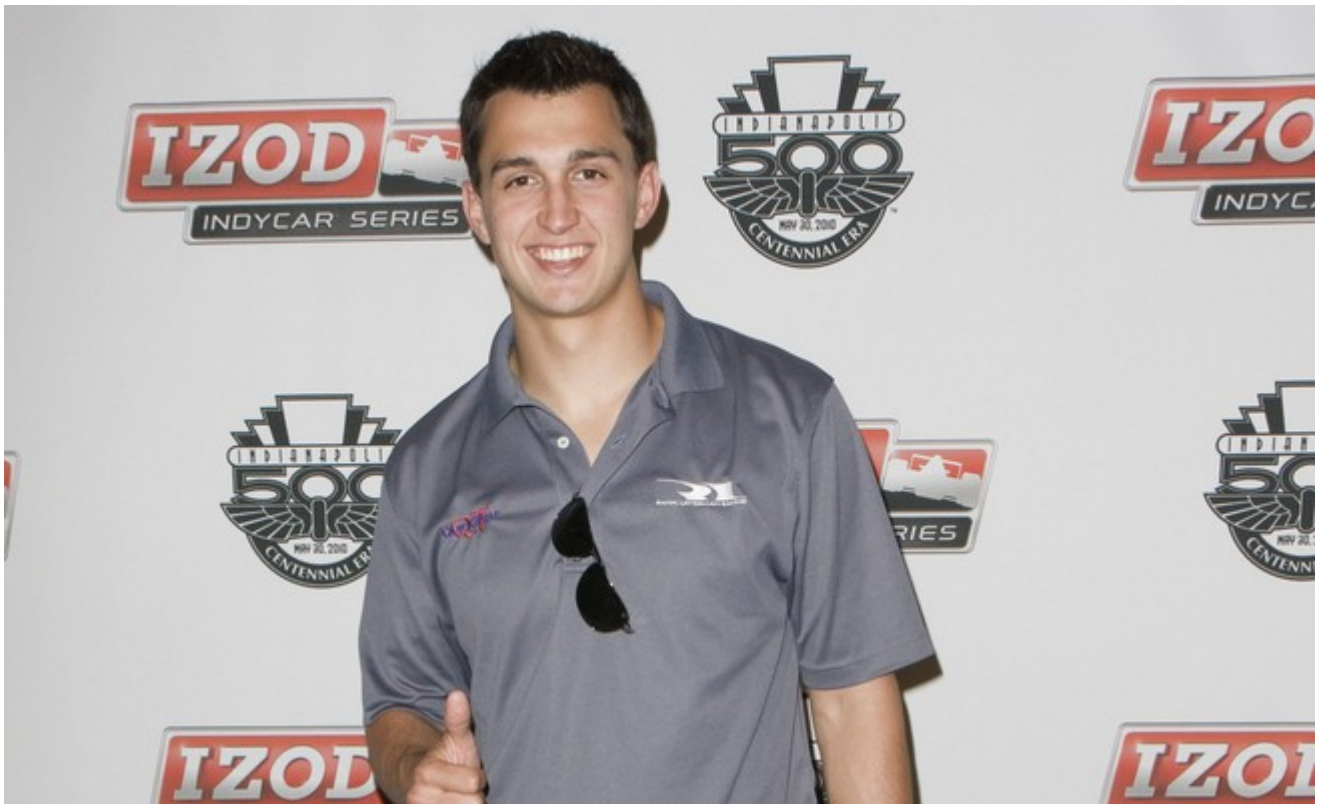
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**3. It's personal:** If you decide not to have a big wedding and get married without an audience, it becomes a personal and romantic time for the both of you to cherish forever.

**Have another reason why you should keep your wedding under wraps? Share with us below!**

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# **Solange Knowles and Alan Ferguson Honeymoon in Brazil**



By Maggie Manfredi

Lindo maravilhoso! According to [Usmagazine.com](http://Usmagazine.com), Solange Knowles and Alan Ferguson are honeymooning in Brazil. The couple became man and wife a few weeks ago in New Orleans with family and friends in attendance. Beyonce's baby sis captioned one of her honeymoon pics by stating, "Thank you Trancoso for being the most magical lil place to 'honey our moon'...Brazil could not have been kinder to us and our love..."

**Where are some romantic honeymoon spots in Brazil?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Want to honeymoon like the stars? Cupid (with the help of [tripadvisor.com](http://tripadvisor.com)) has the hot spots for you in Brazil:

**1. Rio de Janeiro:** One of the largest cities in Brazil and

soon to be home of the summer Olympics, this location will be tons of fun!

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**2. Florianopolis:** Google search this place and you will quickly see why we have dubbed this little slice of heaven a romantic honeymoon location.

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**3. Gramado:** This touristy locale will give you luxury, beauty and fun. From forests to it's rich history, you will never be bored on your trip for two!

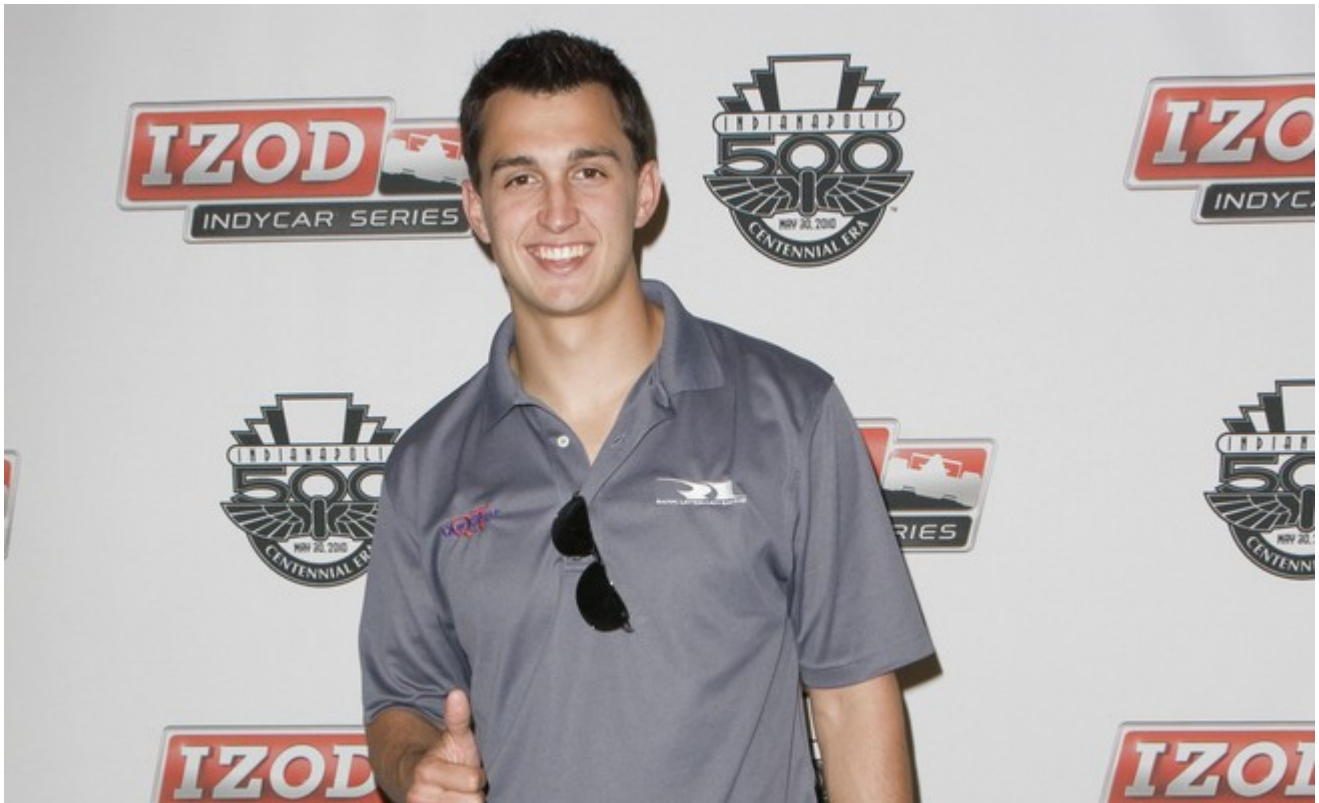
**Where is your dream honeymoon location? Share with us below!**

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# Snooki Marries Jionni LaValle







By Jessica DeRubbo

It looks like Nicole “Snooki” Polizzi is no longer a single woman! The former *Jersey Shore* star tied the knot with longtime boyfriend and baby daddy Jionni LaValle at the Venetian in Garfield, New Jersey on Saturday. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), the parents to Lorenzo, 2, and Giovanna Marie, 3 months, had a Great Gatsby-themed celebration, with a cigar and scotch bar.

**What are three creative themes to have at your wedding?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

**1. Gone With the Wind:** Take it back to the times surrounding the Civil War, and center your wedding around the American classic movie, “Gone With the Wind.” It’s the ultimate love story, and the costumes, settings and decorations in the movie show a rich lifestyle ruled by high class and beauty. Adapt it for your wedding, and it’ll be a celebration no one will ever forget.

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**2. Girls wear suits, men wear dresses:** Shake things up a little and do some role reversal. Okay, so we got this idea from the movie *27 Dresses*, but hey, it could work!

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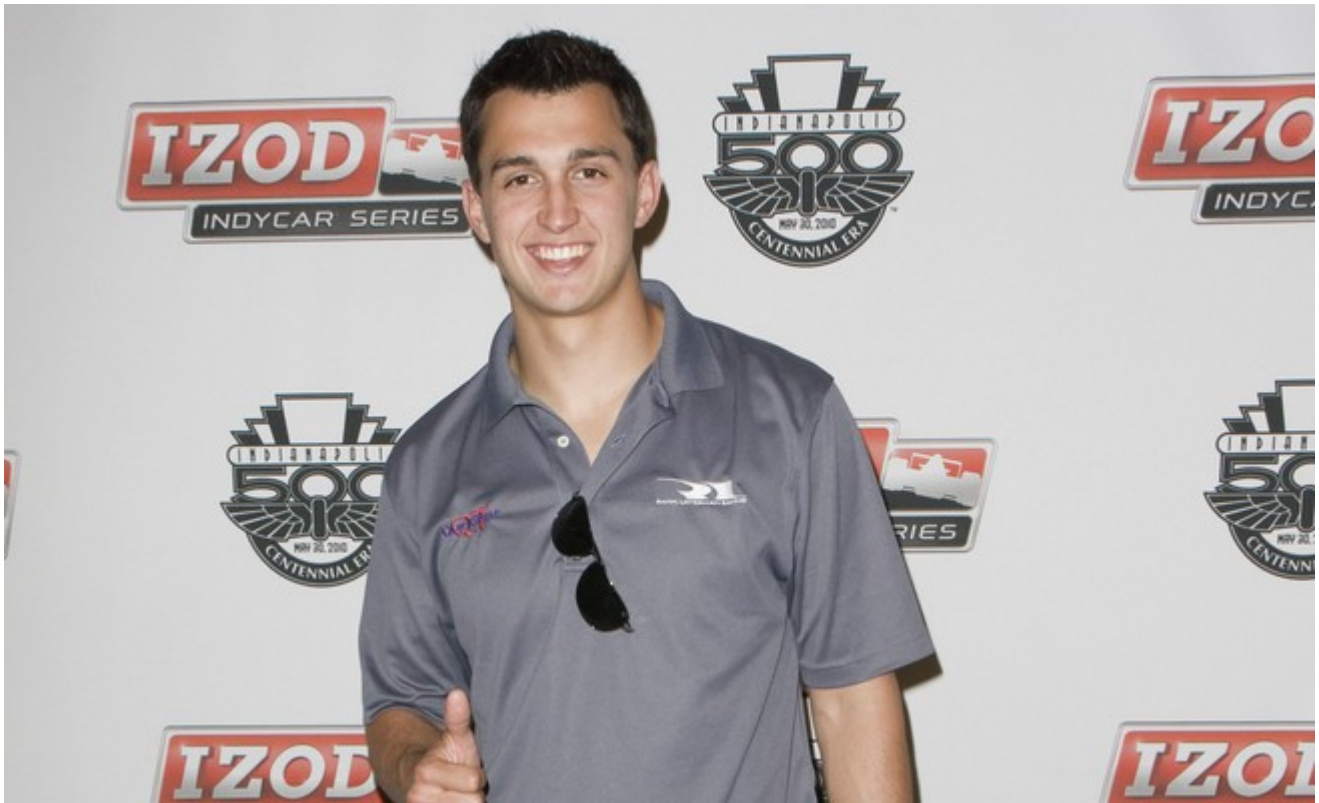
**3. A black tie affair:** Go traditional, and keep things classy. Declare your wedding celebration a black tie affair, and everyone will attend the bash in their finest.

**What are some other themes that would work for a wedding? Share your ideas below.**

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## Jennifer Aniston Discusses Wedding Dates with Ellen DeGeneres





By Amanda Boyer

*Friends* alum Jennifer Aniston was stopped by the *Ellen DeGeneres Show* on Tuesday, Nov. 25, and she dished about her upcoming wedding. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Aniston, who has been with her fiancé for over two years, have been planning and are constantly are looking for ideas for her wedding. They have been having gatherings, and their friends are ready for the wedding!

**How do you decide when to have your wedding?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Your wedding is an event that will live in your memories for forever. Picking when to have it is critical, and Cupid has some advice:

**1. Fall:** If you're into warm and neutral colors, have your wedding in autumn! That way your wedding party can wear those warm and neutral colors to match with the changing leaves and festive pumpkins! Plus, typically the weather is somewhere

between cold and hot, which is ideal for an outdoor wedding.

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**2. Spring:** With the May flowers blooming, the weather is just perfect to have a wedding outside or inside, and you can go with any color scheme you want ... maybe have fun with pops of colors!

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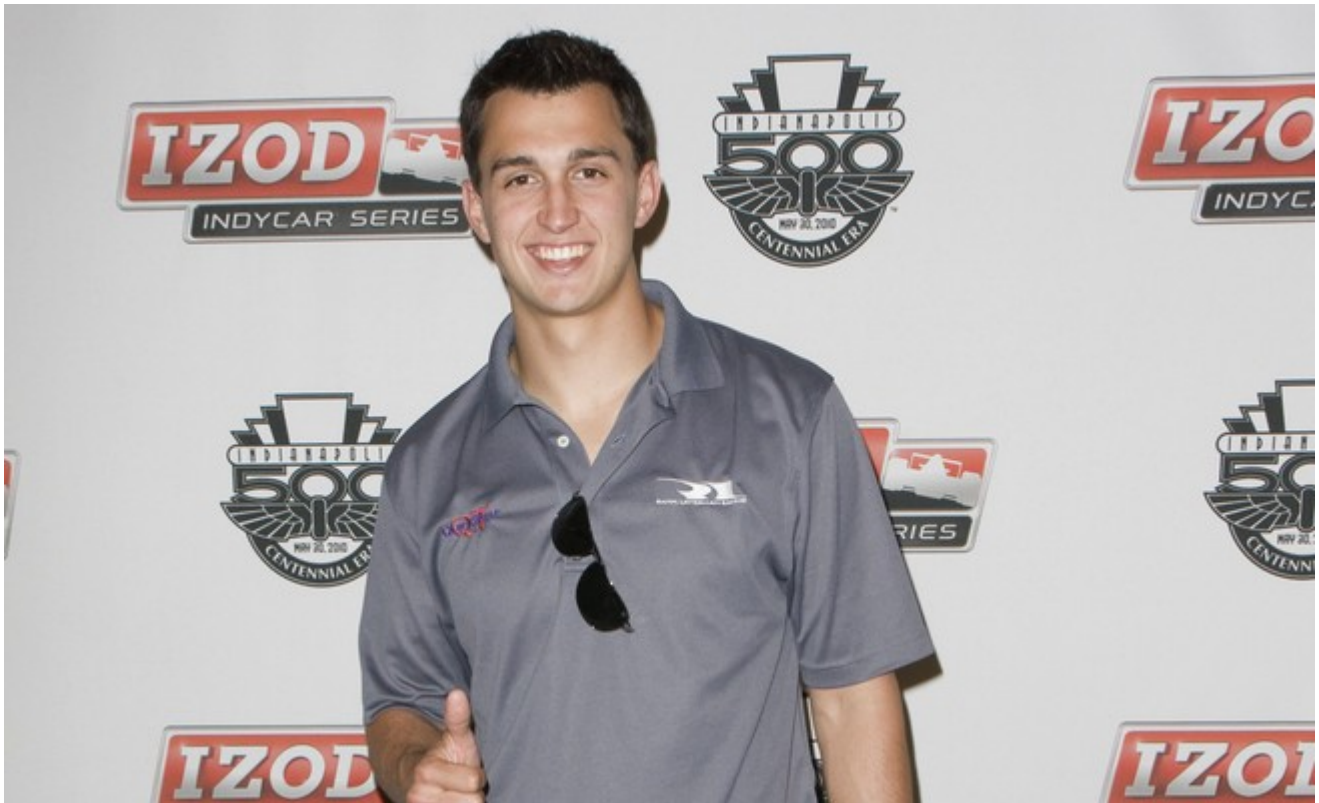
**3. Winter:** If you like the holidays, cold weather and the snow (depending on your location), a winter wedding is for you. You can have blues, reds, or greens as your colors to go along with the time of the year.

**What do you think of maybe a winter wedding? Share your thoughts below!**

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## **'Bachelor Pad 2' Contestant Kasey Kahl's Surprising Engagement!**





By Emily Meyer

For the ladies out there looking for a man who will guard and protect their heart, Kasey Kahl is officially off the market. The popular season six star of *The Bachelorette* proposed to his longtime girlfriend Amanda Waters this past weekend. As you would expect from the *Bachelor Pad 2* alum, the engagement was over the top and cheesy. According to [Wetpaint.com](http://Wetpaint.com), the proposal took place in Las Vegas where Kahl got down on one knee after an elaborate show in front of friends and family. The reality star took to Twitter to announce the engagement and posted a photo of Water's pretty new ring with the caption, "She said yes... #happiestdayofmylife #lovemyfamilyandfriends #nutriefam #holycrapimafiancee."

**What are three fun and unique ways to propose?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

The story of you and your partner's engagement will be a tale you will never forget. You'll share the story with your friends, family, and kids (someday), so it's no surprise

that planning this important moment can be stressful. But don't worry! Cupid has some easy and exciting ways to pop the question:

**1. Use a "Marry Me" mug:** If your partner loves their morning coffee or hot cocoa, this is a cute way to pop the question. Fill up a mug that has "Will you marry me?" printed on the bottom. When your sweetheart is done with their drink, drop to one knee, tell them to flip over the cup, and propose!

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**2. Write your proposal in a journal:** For those who appreciate a romantic love letter, you will love this idea! Write your significant other a journal with a creative title like "The Reasons I Want to Spend the Rest of My Life With You." Then, you both will have a beautiful book that you can keep and share forever.

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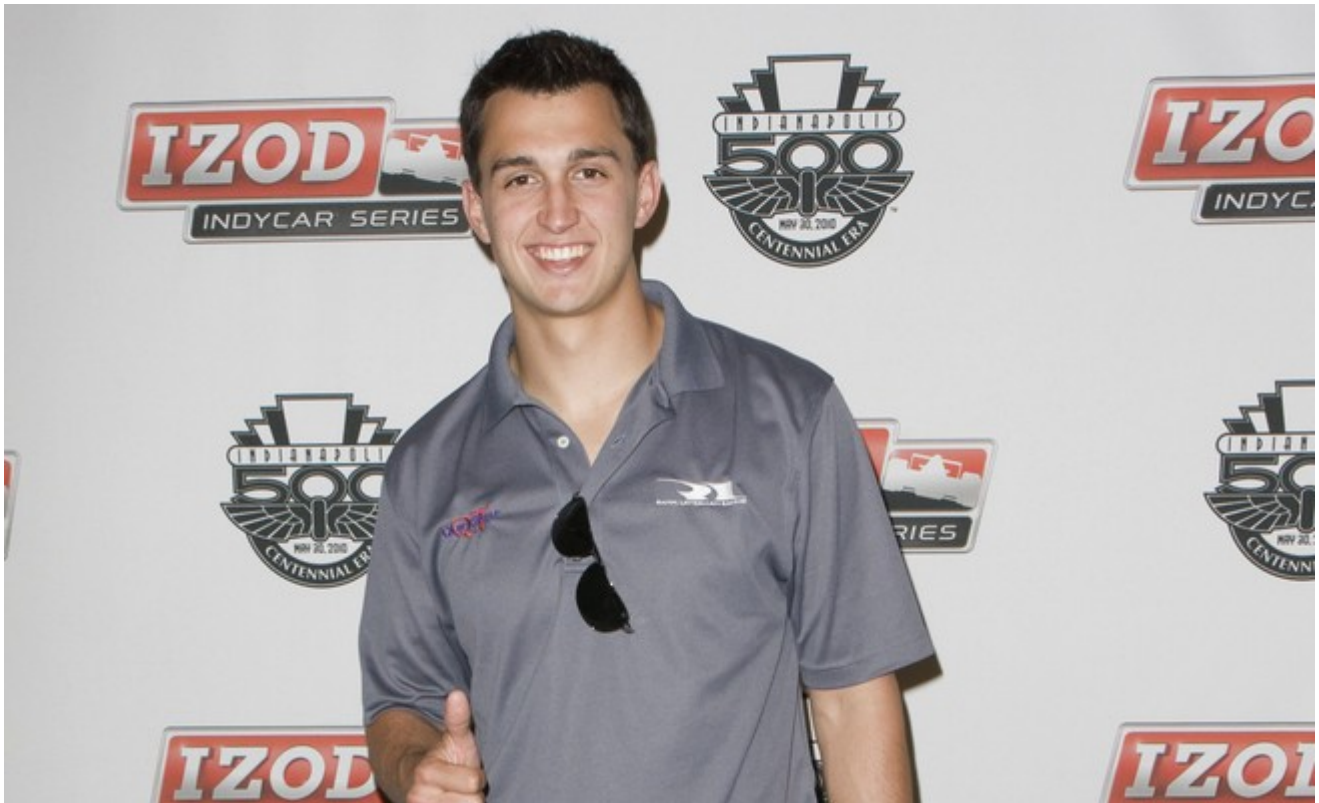
**3. Set up a treasure hunt:** Start with a clue at home for your unsuspecting soon-to-be-fiancé. Lead them to your favorite spots all over the town. End the fun adventure with a proposal at a place with special meaning to the two of you, maybe the restaurant where you had your first date or the park where you shared your first kiss.

**Have any other unique ways to propose? Share below!**

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## **Solange Knowles Marries Video**

# Director Alan Ferguson



By Amanda Boyer

According to [People.com](http://People.com), the Knowles family recently welcomed a new member to the family! On Sunday, Solange Knowles married video director Alan Ferguson in New Orleans. The couple has been together since 2008, but notoriously keeps their lives very private. Ferguson has been doing a lot of work for his new sister-in-law and brother-in-law like directing Beyonce and Jay-Z's music videos and is very involved in the Knowles' family lifestyle.

**What are some ways to show initial interest in a crush?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

If you are crushing on someone and want to give them some hints of interest, read ahead for some ideas and tips:

**1. Approach them:** Just making eye contact and saying hi is a nice gesture. You ask them questions on how their day is going or how is work. Find out their interests then have a conversation about that too.

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**2. Confidence:** It is okay to be shy but do not let it show, having confidence makes a person so much more attractive and shows they have an interest.

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**3. Loosen up:** Do not be scared and stiff when talking and hanging out with them, flirt a bit and use some body language, stop crossing your arms and keeping to yourself!

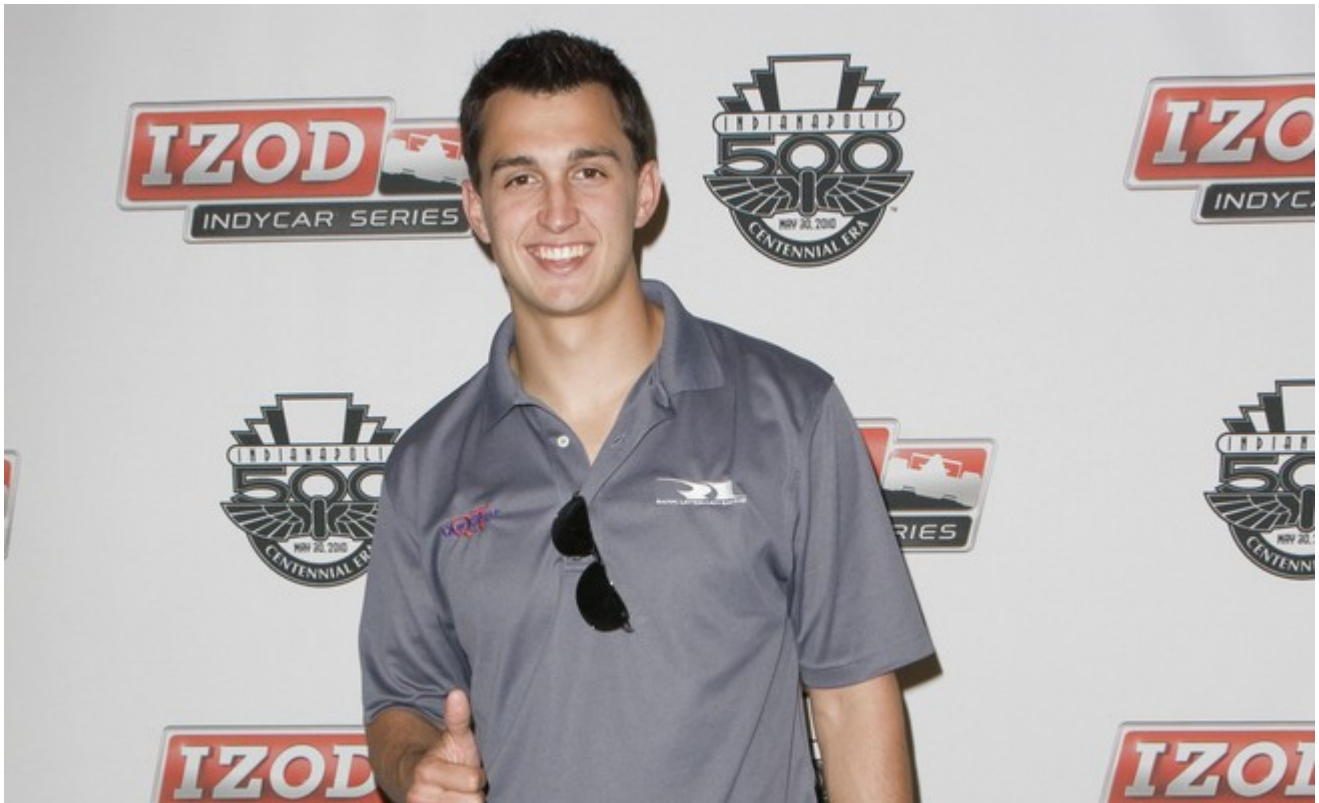
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# Marc Anthony Marries Third Wife Shannon De Lima







By Shannon Seibert

Marc Anthony and model girlfriend Shannon De Lima exchanged ‘I dos’ in front of close to 100 guests on Tuesday, November 11. The couple has been dating on and off since 2012, and this time things are going to stick. Anthony and his new wife married at his estate in La Romana, Dominican Republic. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Latin music stars Juan Luis Guerra, Carlos Vives, Tito El Bambino were in attendance as well as Anthony’s business partner Charles Koppelman, and the CEO of Sprint Corporation Marcelo Claude.

**How do you decide whether to get married for a second or third time?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

Getting married is a huge deal. It involves legally binding documents, a public declaration of love and combining two lives into a shared one. Before making your decision, consider Cupid’s advice for you:

**1. You have absolutely no doubts heading to the altar:** You have a little experience under your belt, you've made this journey once or twice before. Yes, you may love your partner, but are they going to be able to support you financially and emotionally? You are now a team which means putting your own needs aside and considering what is best for the family.

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**2. You have had multiple conversations about marriage:** This isn't only considering the idealistic thoughts of marriage. These conversations include the nitty gritty details of possible financial instability, whether or not you'll have more children, or are you choosing to forgo the prenup? Is this what is best for your children? There are a lot of aspects to take into account and angles to consider beyond where you will be honeymooning.

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**3. Your intuition is giving you the green light:** Your gut feeling is probably the best judge of character. If you can picture yourself with this man for the rest of your life, working together in both the hard times and the bad, then go for it! Nothing should stop you from being with your true love.

**What helped you decide to get married again? Share with us below!**

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# Former Spice Girl Geri Halliwell Is Engaged to Formula One Boss Christian Horner



By Amanda Boyer

Former Spice Girl Geri Halliwell is engaged to Formula One boss Christian Horner! The couple has been dating since last January and decided to commit to tying the knot on Tuesday, Nov 11. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), the announcement was made public in the British newspaper *The Times*.

**What are some ways to balance a demanding career with your relationship?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

To make the most of your career and love life, Cupid has some advice to keep a healthy balance:

**1. Do not talk about it:** Instead of talking about work later in the day with your beau when the day is over, find other topics. Although you may have things to do that are crucial to your job, take a break for some quality time.

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**2. Relax:.** Having non-work related conversations and getting to do fun non-work related things like watching a movie or getting some dinner at a nice restaurant can keep your minds otherwise occupied.

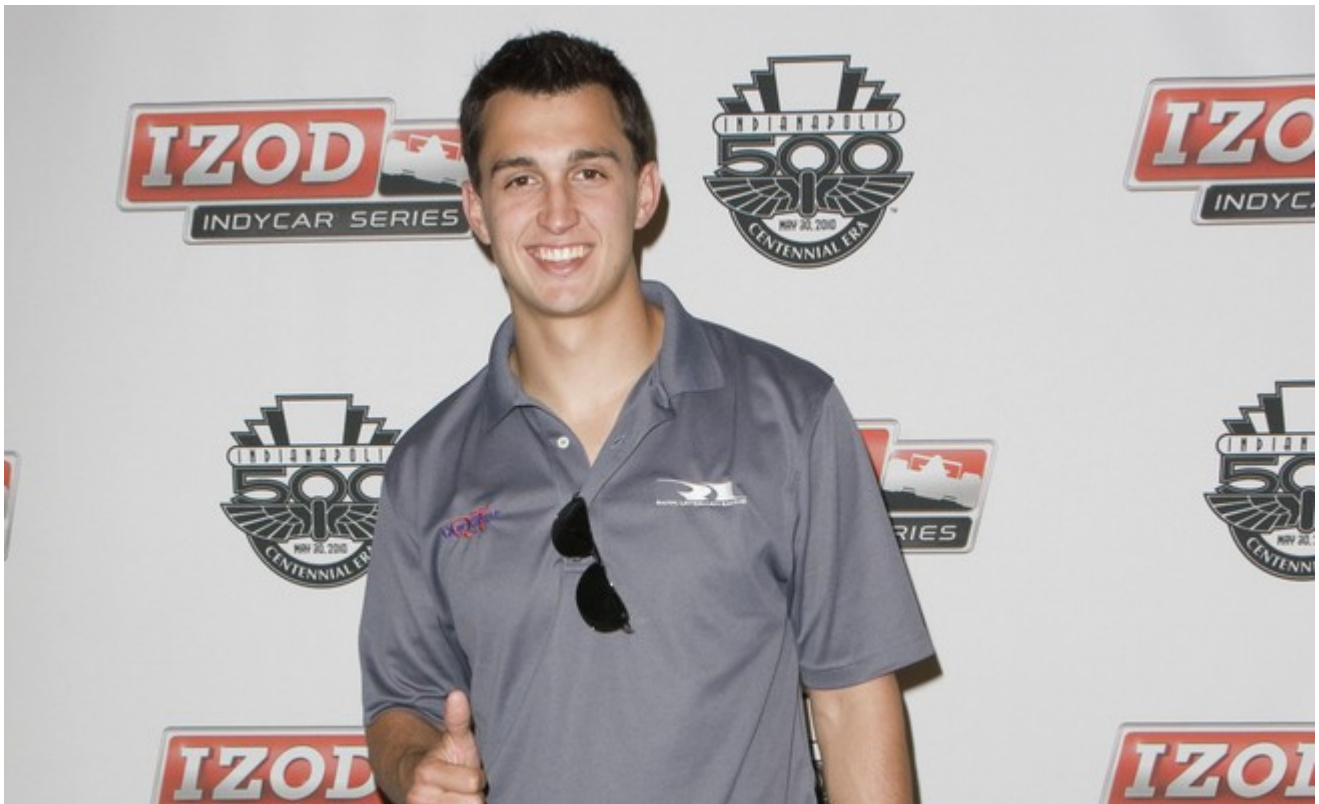
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**3. Work at work:** At work, do not distract yourself with thinking or talking to your partner. Although it may be hard, you will get more accomplished this way and not have to worry about the night's plans.

**Any other tips you want to give? Leave them down below!**

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# **'Hostel' Director Eli Roth Marries Lorenza Izzo on Beach in Chile**



By Maggie Manfredi

Wedding bliss! According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), *Hostel* director Eli Roth married actress Lorenza Izzo beach side on Saturday, Nov. 8 in Chile. A guest said, "There was a singer from Iceland, Brazilian dancers and a standee for My Big Fat Chilean Wedding that everyone posed with! At midnight roast lamb was served and people drank and danced until 4am." It sounds like these stars celebrated in style.

**What are some benefits to getting married on a beach?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Many couples decide to have their toes in the sand on their special day. But besides the exfoliation, there are many benefits to a beach wedding:

**1. The perfect backdrop:** Your pictures will be gorgeous. You can walk on the beach, relax on the balcony and play in the water (if you are bold) which will give you a great range of shots.

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**2. Honeymoon isn't far:** The last thing you want to do after the stress of planning a wedding is stress over travel plans. If you have the reception at the beach, you can easily transition right into vacation mode.

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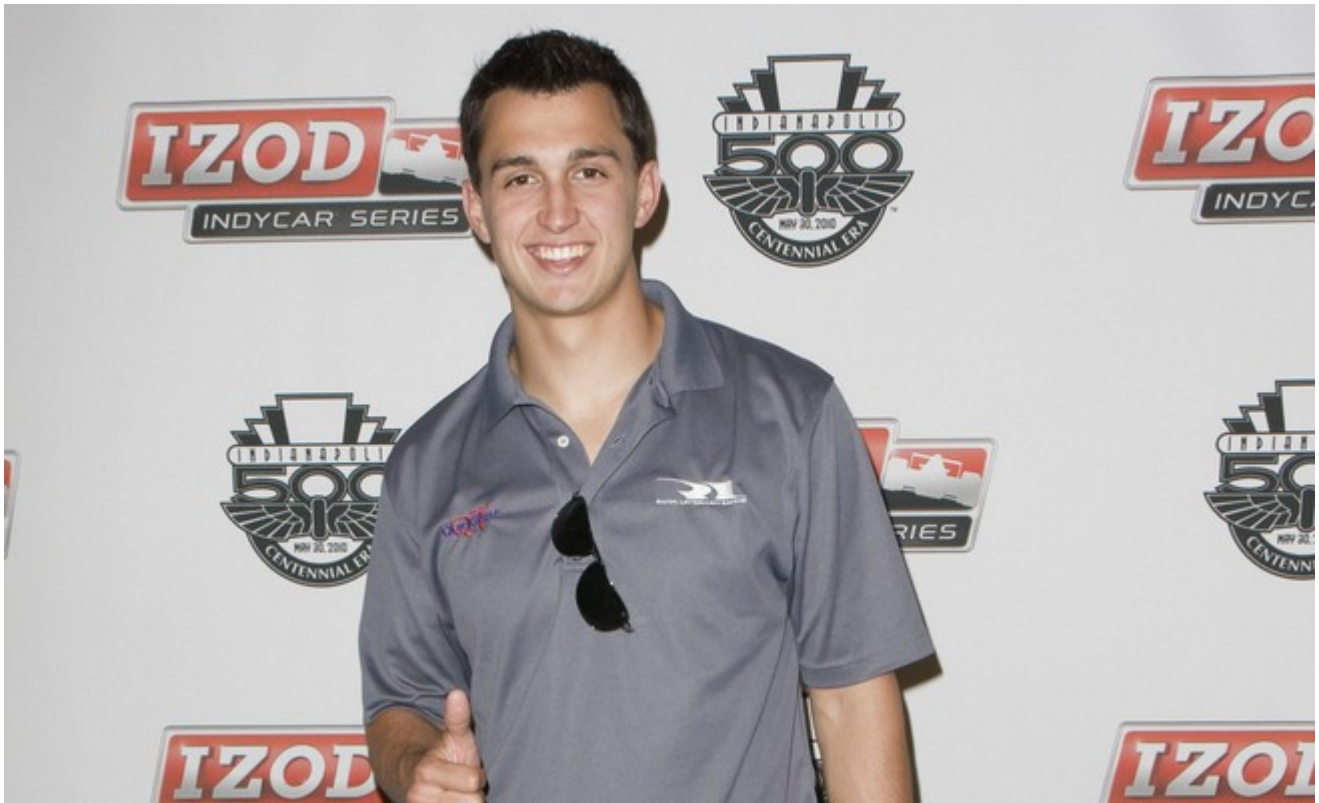
**3. Guests are happy:** Although their travel expense might be a little costly they can enjoy paradise too. The good thing is when you pick a destination you know the people that come are the ones who are truly excited more than happy to celebrate with you.

**What is your favorite wedding location? Share with us below!**

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## 'The Bachelor' Runner-Up Lindsay Yenter Is Engaged





By Emily Meyer

It looks like Lindsay Yenter didn't waste any time sulking around and pining for lost love! After not receiving the final rose from Sean Lowe on *The Bachelor* season 17 finale, the bubbly brunette quickly moved on and began dating now-fiancé Karl Swanson. According to [Wetpaint.com](http://Wetpaint.com), her celebrity love popped the question at the end of October. Yenter posted a photo of her amazing new rock on Instagram with the caption, "You mean I wasn't dreaming?! More details to follow on the blog...#ontopoftheworld." The former reality star credits *The Bachelor* Sean Lowe with helping her see what's important in a potential partner, saying, "After doing the whole show, it made me realize I need to find guys who I want as a husband and as a father instead of going after the bad boy." We cannot wait to hear wedding details and see what's next for this celebrity couple!



Lindsay Yenter shows off her gorgeous engagement ring. Photo courtesy of Lindsay Yenter's Instagram.

**Lindsay Yenter knew she was prepared when celebrity love Karl Swanson popped the question. What are three signs that you're ready to get engaged?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Getting engaged is a big step. Whether you've been dating for a few months or several years, it's sometimes hard to know when the time is right. Cupid has three telltale signs to consider:

**1. You bring out the best in each other:** Whether it's making your partner constantly smile or helping them achieve new success at work, it's important to always bring out the best in each other. Friends and family will see that, and you'll be sure to get their stamp of approval.



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**2. You share similar values:** You should be on the same page as your future fiancé. Whether it's how many kids you want or where you want to live, it's vital in any relationship to agree on the big issues. If not, one of you may ultimately end up disappointed.

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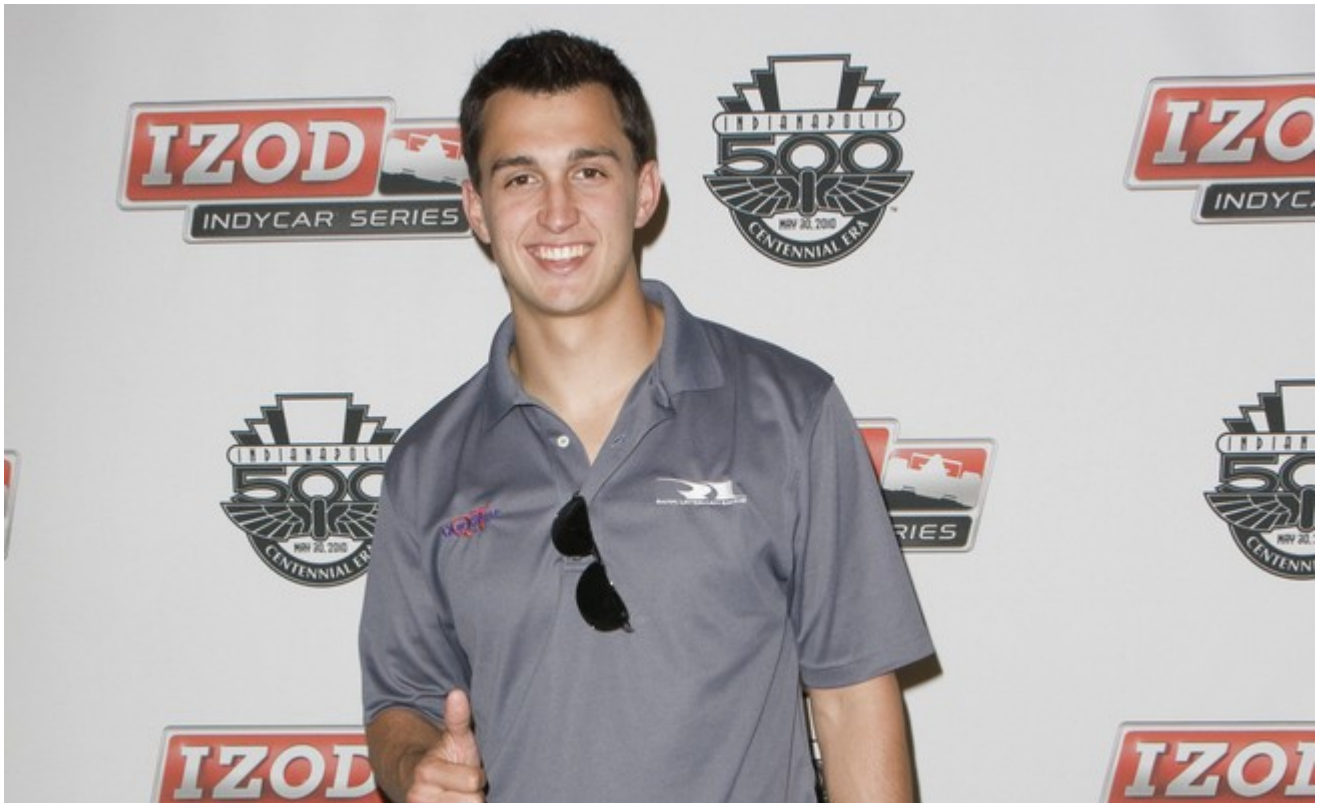
**3. You enjoy every moment together:** For a relationship to last, you need to enjoy each other's company, no matter what you're doing. Marriage doesn't mean fancy dinners and expensive gifts; you'll have to be content with just hanging out sometimes. Whether it's going to the grocery store or doing the laundry, you need to be just as happy doing these boring chores as you will be on date nights. *The Bachelor* runner-up Lindsay Yenter's instagram tells us her and celebrity love Karl Swanson enjoy spending time with each other no matter where they are.

**How did you know you were ready for engagement? Share below!**

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## 'Will and Grace' Actor Sean Hayes Is Engaged





By Amanda Boyer

'The Millers' and 'Will & Grace' star Sean Hayes is now engaged. According to [People.com](http://People.com), he confirmed this on the 'CBS Morning Show' when he guest starred on Monday morning. Hayes and his partner, Scott Icenogle, have been together now for eight years. Now the couple is ready to take their relationship to the next level.

**What are three special ways to announce your engagement to family and friends?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

So, you're engaged. Now, what's the best way to announce it to those close to you? Cupid has some advice:

**1. Engagement party:** Throw a big bash to celebrate your recent engagement and show off the ring! Your friends and family will be psyched to celebrate with you and give their congratulations.

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**Photos:** Take some engagement photos soon after your engagement. Post the photos to Facebook, and have them speak for themselves!

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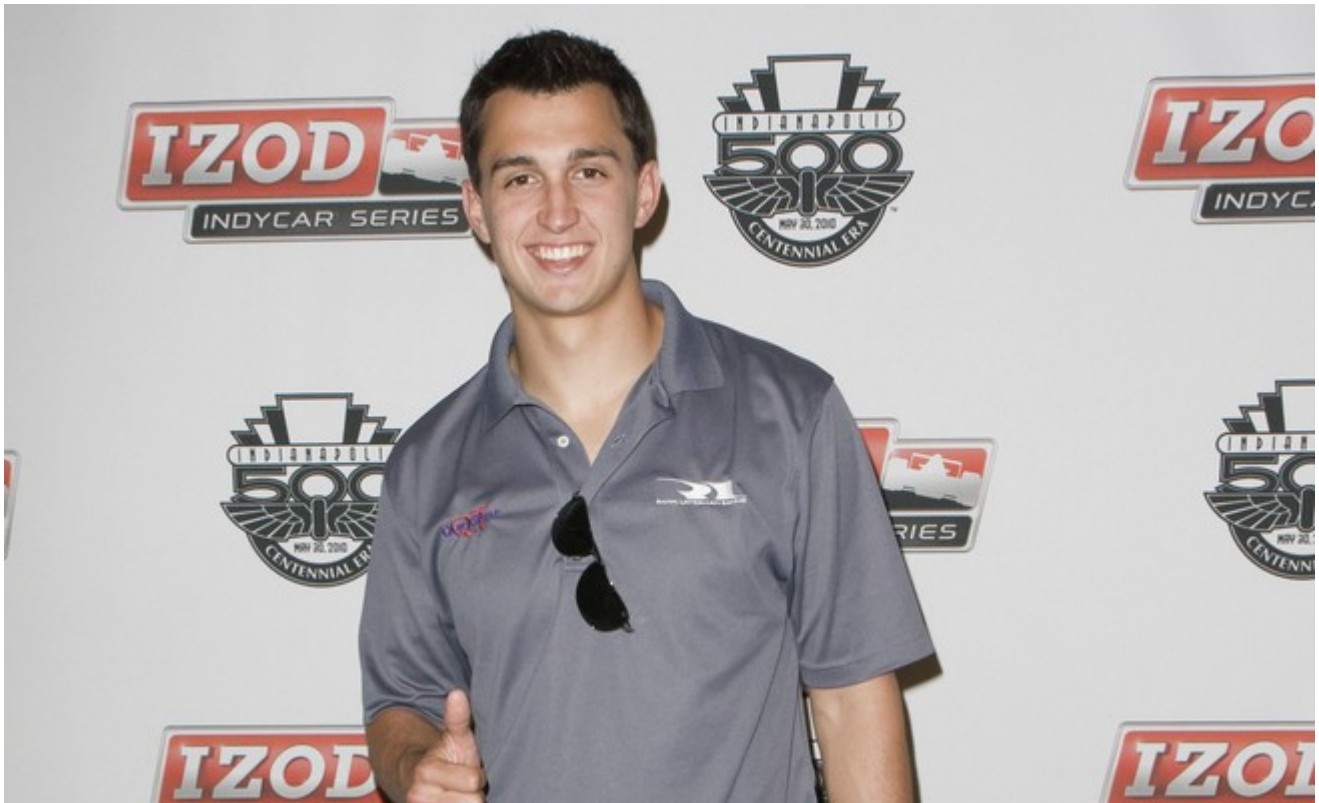
**3. Change your status:** Social media make it easy! Change your status on Facebook or Twitter, and announce your looming nuptials to friends and family that way.

**Have another way to showcase your engagement? Comment below!**

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## **Desiree Hartsock and Chris Siegfried Announce Their Wedding Date**





By Emily Meyer

The wedding bells are getting louder for one of our favorite *Bachelorette* couples! According to [Wetpaint.com](http://Wetpaint.com), Desiree Hartsock and Chris Siegfried hinted at a January 2015 wedding for months but only just confirmed the big news. The pair created an adorable save the date video on Instagram that featured some of their cutest pictures. The clip, which was posted by Hartsock, was overlaid with the text: "Save the Date: January 2015 Des + Chris." Hartsock then added a caption to the slideshow, writing, "It has been one incredible journey with the love of my life thus far but I cannot wait to marry him and start another chapter! I love you so much!! #savethedate #secretsout #goingtothechapel with @chrisrsiegfried @seahawks #flipagram Music: The Avett Brothers – I and Love and You." This winter wedding will be one to remember!

**What are three unique ways to announce your wedding date?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Tired of the same old boring save-the-date announcements? No need to worry! There are so many fun ways to share your wedding date with your guests, and Cupid wants to help. Here are three unique ways to announce your special day:

**1. Photo strip bookmarks:** Find a local place to take pictures in a photo booth with your fiancé. Take the photos while holding up cute signs with details of your wedding. You can include only the date or add the location if you've made more definite plans. Make as many copies as needed and send them to all of your friends and family so they can "mark" the event on their calendars!

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**2. Match books:** Get custom-made matchboxes that have the date of your wedding written on them. You can also put a cute phrase on the box that goes with your theme – something like, "Get ready to see sparks fly!" Not only is this idea adorable, but it's super easy. Check out Etsy and Pinterest for more inspiration.

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**3. Put it on film:** If you and your partner want to go a more extravagant route, produce your own save the date video. Work with someone who knows about cinematography and show your love story on film with the ending revealing your wedding date. Send the video out to your guests via e-mail.

**What are some other unique wedding announcements that you love? Share your ideas with us below!**

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# Matthew Morrison Shares Wedding Photo With New Wife Renee Puente



By [Jessica DeRubbo](#)

It's official! Matthew Morrison tied the knot with Renee Puente this past weekend in Maui, Hawaii, according to [UsMagazine.com](#). In fact, Morrison introduced his new wife on Twitter, saying, "Conquered Hurricane Ana and got married! Most amazing week EVER. It's my pleasure to introduce, my WIFE, Mrs. Renee Marie Morrison!!" The *Glee* star followed up his tweet with a special photo of the two presumably right after they said "I do." Congrats to the happy couple!

**What are some unique locations to hold your wedding**

## festivities?

### Cupid's Advice:

It makes sense to have your wedding in you or your partner's hometown, because then no one has to travel and it "just makes sense." That being said, if you're looking to spice up your wedding and take it in a new direction, Cupid has some tips:

**1. Amusement park:** It may sound crazy, but how cool would it be to sail off on a rollercoaster ride seconds after saying "I do"? Plus, your guests will have the times of their lives bringing it back to their childhood days.

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**2. The beach:** This probably isn't the most unique suggestion, but the beach is no doubt romantic ... assuming it's good weather. Set up white chairs on the beach, and bring lots of flowers. That's all you need to make the day special!

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**3. Carousel:** If your town has a carousel, think about holding your wedding near the inanimate horses. You can take a special ride with your new spouse following the ceremony, and all of our guests can follow suit. Think about the amazing pictures you'll have from such an experience!

**Where are some other unique places to hold a wedding? Share your thoughts below.**

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# Amal Alamuddin Changes Name to Amal Clooney



By Amanda Boyer

After her September wedding to George Clooney in Venice, Amal Alamuddin is now officially Mrs. Clooney! The honeymoon is over, so now Alamuddin decided it was time to change her last name. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Amal also reflected her name change on the website of her London-based law firm, Doughty Street Chambers.

**How do you decide whether to change your name post-marriage?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Thinking about taking your partner's last name? Cupid has some



tips to help you decide:

**1. Be traditional:** If you want to be traditional as 80% of people do, take their last name. This is not only for your benefit, but will help distinguish your future children if you decide to grow your family.

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**2. Be unique:** If you want to keep your roots, but also keep a connection with your new spouse, consider hyphenating your name. This is something that will keep both sides of the family together and you ultimately happy.

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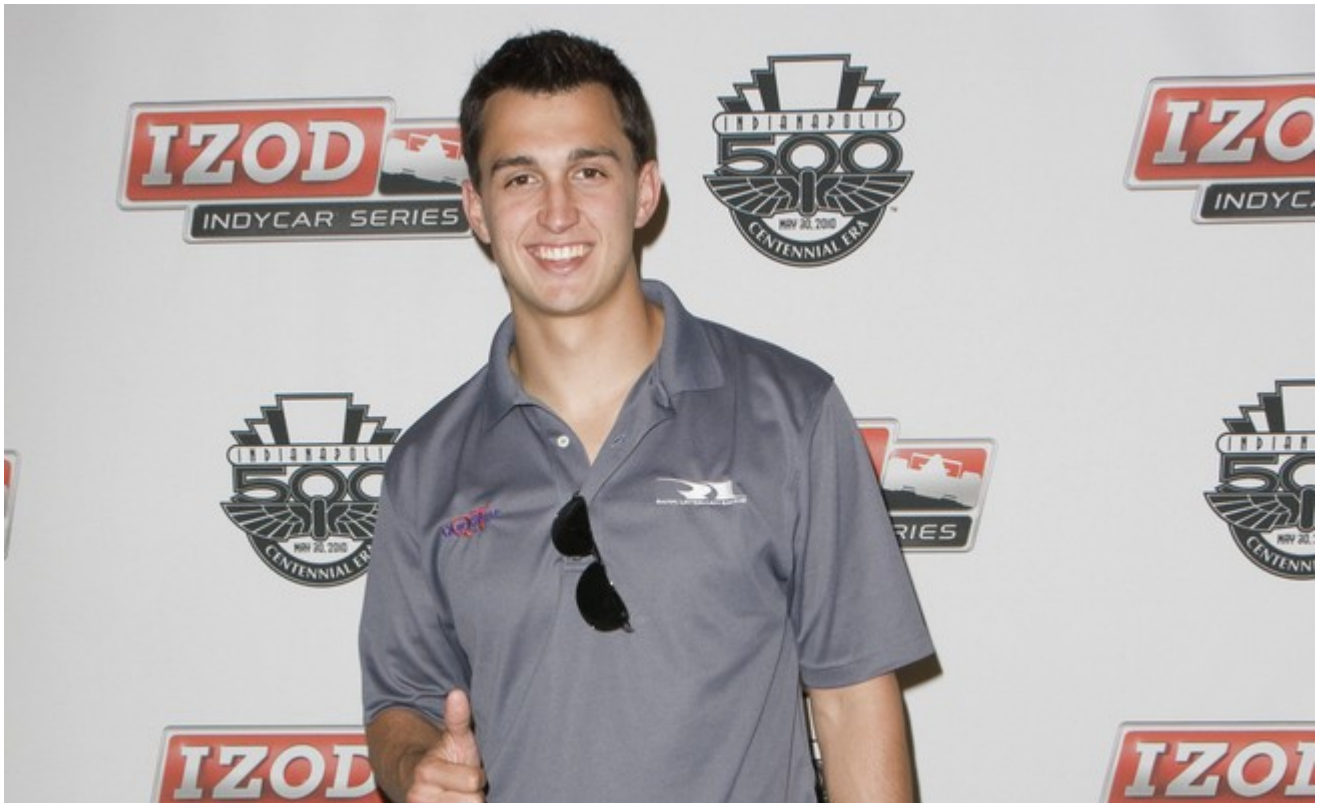
**3. Be different:** If you like your individuality and/or have a job that your name is closely associated with, consider keeping your last name.

**Have another way to decide whether to take your partner's last name? Share it below!**

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## Andi Dorfman Begins Wedding Dress Shopping in NYC





By Emily Meyer

One of the most important aspects of any girl's dream wedding is, of course, her gown. Five months into her engagement to Josh Murray, former *Bachelorette* Andi Dorfman is in the early stages of wedding planning. According to [Wetpaint.com](http://Wetpaint.com), the Atlanta natives are currently in New York City for Couture Bridal Fashion Week. Not only will the couple sit front row at the Mark Zunino for Kleinfeld's 2015 collection show, they'll also attend multiple events with the Kleinfeld team. As evident on Dorfman's Instagram account, they've been spending time with *Bachelorette* couple Desiree Hartsock and Chris Siegfried. We can't wait to see what wedding dress the stylish reality star picks!



'Bachelorette' pairs Josh Murray and Andi Dorfman and Desiree Hartsock and Chris Siegfried attend Couture Bridal Fashion Week. Photo courtesy of Andi Dorfman's Instagram.

**What are three ways to stay calm during wedding planning?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

No one wants to turn into bridezilla, so it's important to stay calm during your wedding preparations. This can be hard with all of the craziness going on around you, so Cupid has some tips for you:

**1. Stay organized:** Focus on what is actually important for you and your partner on your big day. Take deep breaths throughout the hectic process because everything *will* be okay! Remember: Bridezillas are made, not born.

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**2. Don't be afraid to ask for help:** Wedding planning is a lot of work, and you can't do it all yourself. Find a wedding planner or get a group of friends and family to help you out.

It will make a world of a difference.

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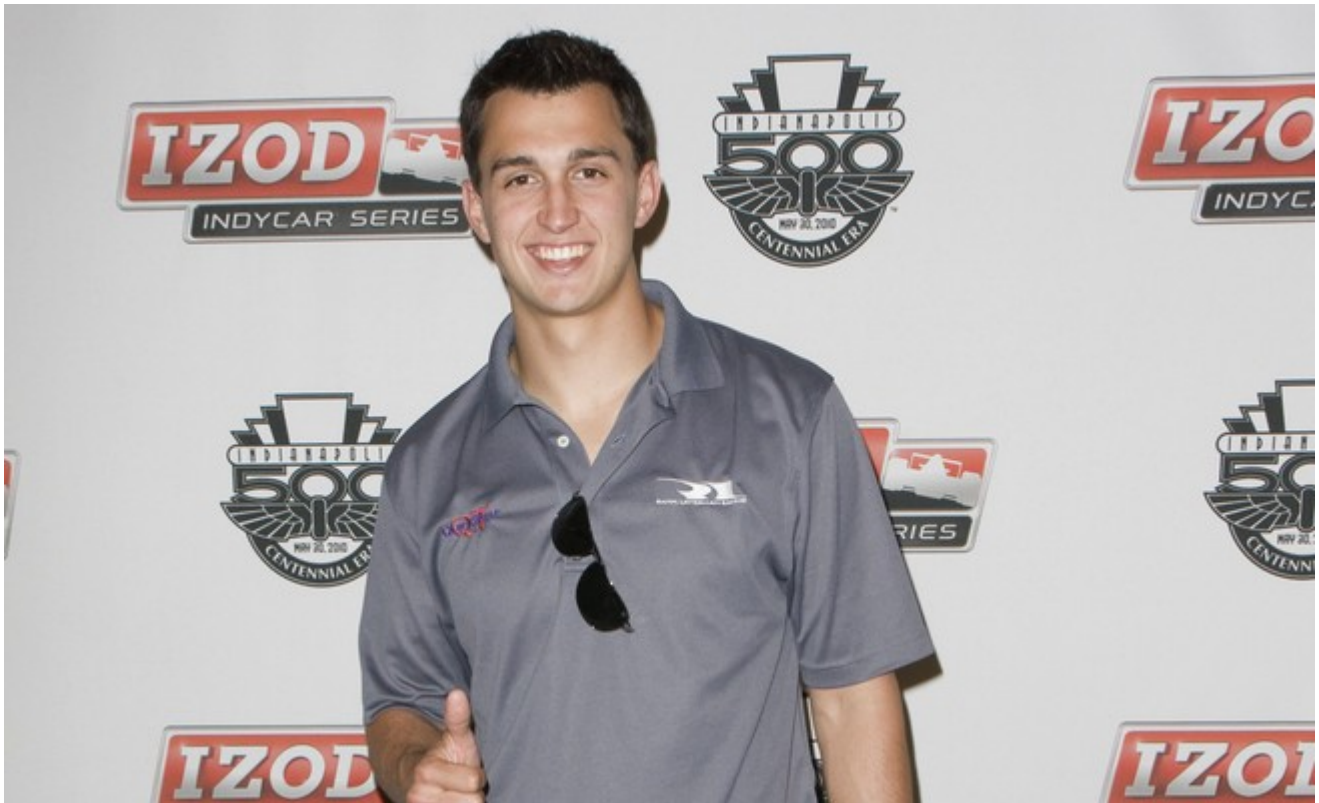
**3. Stay connected to your fiancé:** Spend as much time as you can with your future husband or wife. Make sure to keep your priorities straight because your partner is what all of the chaos is really about, right?

**How did you stay calm during your wedding prep? Tell us in the comments below!**

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## **Bill Murray Discusses Speaking at George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin's Wedding**





By Maggie Manfredi

Who wasn't at this wedding? Well, we can tell you who was there: *Saturday Night Live* alum Bill Murray, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Murray said, "I did speak. I did get to say something. I can't really recreate it, but it was something about the fact that – a lot of people, it seemed, put their lives on hold until these people [George and Amal] found their happiness. Because they're both very, very, very good people and very considerate and thoughtful of their friends and families. So the idea that they got it now is liberating. It really is liberating to see them alive and in love." A sweet sentiment from this famous funny guy.

**What are three important things to say in a wedding toast?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Wedding toasts are traditional and a delightful addition to any celebration. Want to put your best foot forward? Cupid has some important elements to giving a great speech:

**1. Be sincere:** Speak from the heart and say what you feel. If the love is there right in front of you, it won't be hard to find the words.

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**2. Share a story:** Everyone likes a blast from the past, or a great memory. Don't be afraid to add something from your own memory about the newly wedded couple.

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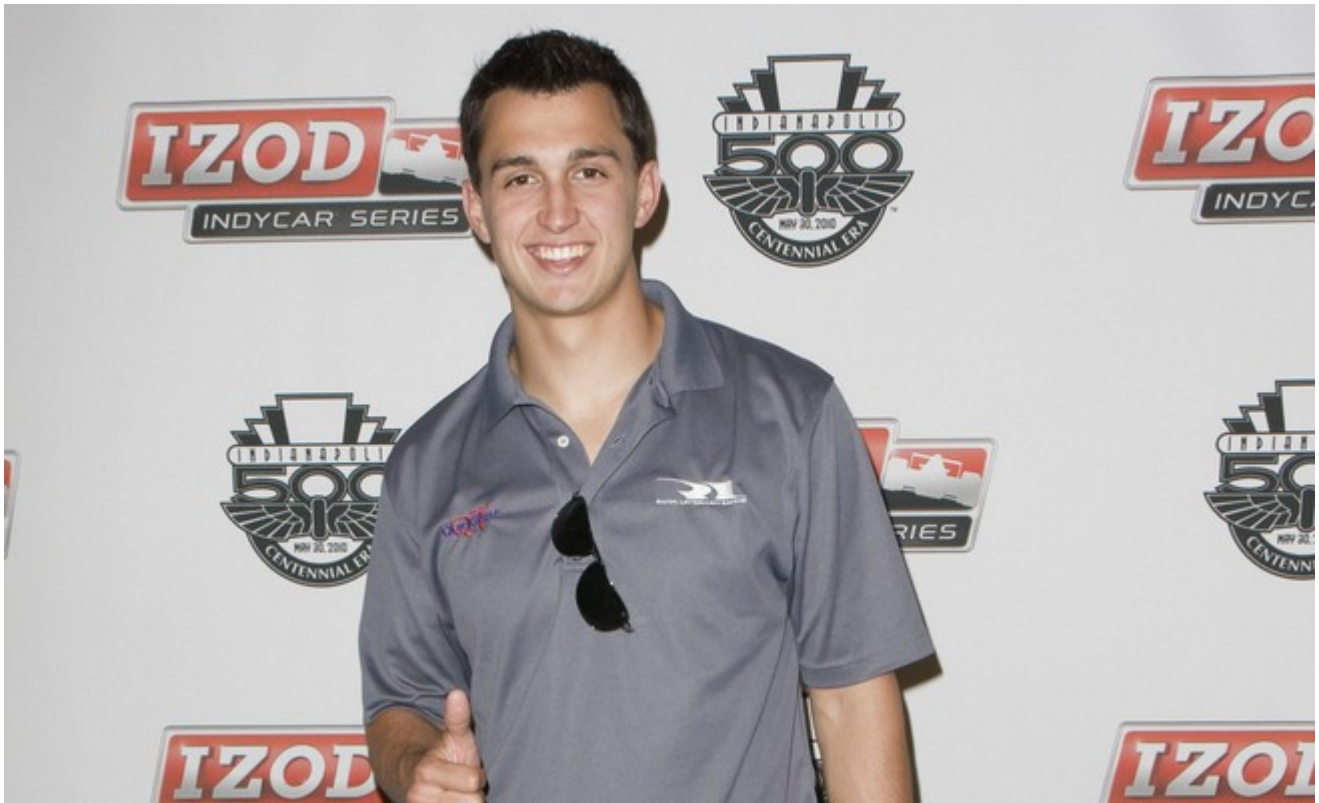
**3. Make 'em laugh:** Toasts can be sweet but they can also be silly. Make 'em laugh and make 'em cry, with those elements you can't go wrong.

**Do you think Bill Murray had some good wedding toast jokes? Share what you think below!**

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## **Find Out Why Jennifer Garner and Ben Affleck Weren't At Clooney's Wedding**





By Amanda Boyer

According to [E! Online](#), George Clooney's wedding to Amal Amaluddin was the place to be for Hollywood. So, why were Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner not there? Garner recently cleared the air on the *Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*. In fact, she recounted a story involving meeting George Clooney for the first time right after getting rid of lice in her hair. She joked, "So anyway, people keep asking why we weren't at George's wedding and we were both 'working,' but I think he didn't want Licey there."

**How do you decide who to invite to your wedding?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Your wedding is a time to share your vows to your partner with your loved ones surrounding you. Here are some tips for you on deciding who to invite:

**1. Make a list:** Make a list of everyone you would want at your wedding if you could afford it and had room. This will serve

as a starting point before you start to narrow things down.

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**2. Start color coding:** Separate your list into sections: primary family, distant relatives, close friends, etc. This will help you see who really needs to come versus who is optional.

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**3. Question it:** Start going through the people that could be maybes and ask yourself a few questions. Have I talked to this person in the last 6 months? Would this person actually want to come?

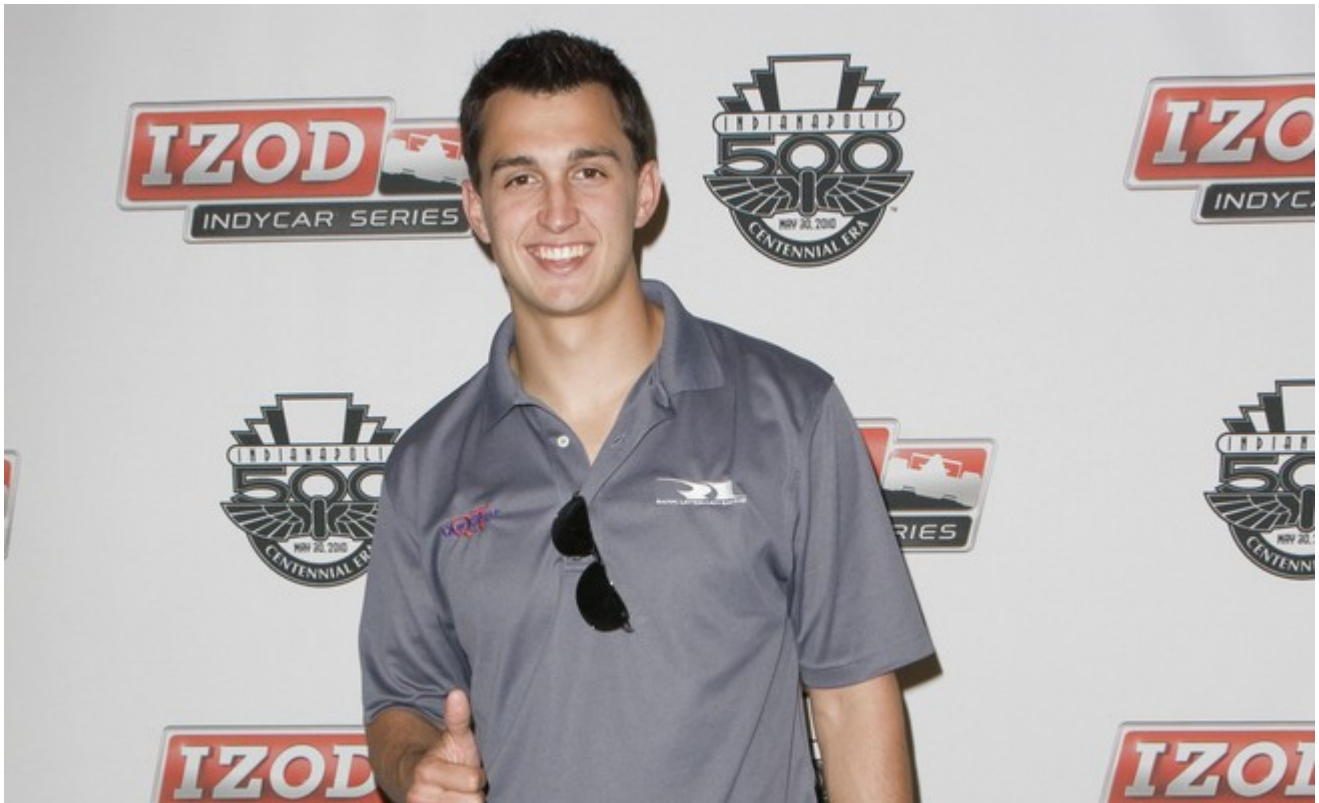
Have any other tips for making a guest list? Comment below.

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# George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin Honeymoon in England







By Maggie Manfredi

From Italy to England, these lovebirds are settling in for a simplistic honeymoon. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin are hunkering down in their England home for a couple's retreat. The couple is spending time together and having all their meals brought in to them at their secluded mansion in the countryside. The weekend wedding extravaganza in Venice was a star studded event; so a countryside getaway seems like the perfect end to all of their celebrations and ceremonies.

**What are the advantages to a low-key honeymoon?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

So you've had the rehearsal, the wedding, the reception and now off to the honeymoon! Cupid does not blame you for wanted to keep things simple and easy after all the planning and stress of the wedding celebrations. Here are some of the advantages to a laidback honeymoon:

**1. Relaxation:** A luxurious trip can be great, but getting some rest and enjoying each other's company in a comfortable environment might be just the thing you need to start the new chapter of your life.

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**2. Connect:** The wedding was about your love but also about sharing the joy with all your friends and family. The honeymoon is about being intimate and together, embrace the tradition.

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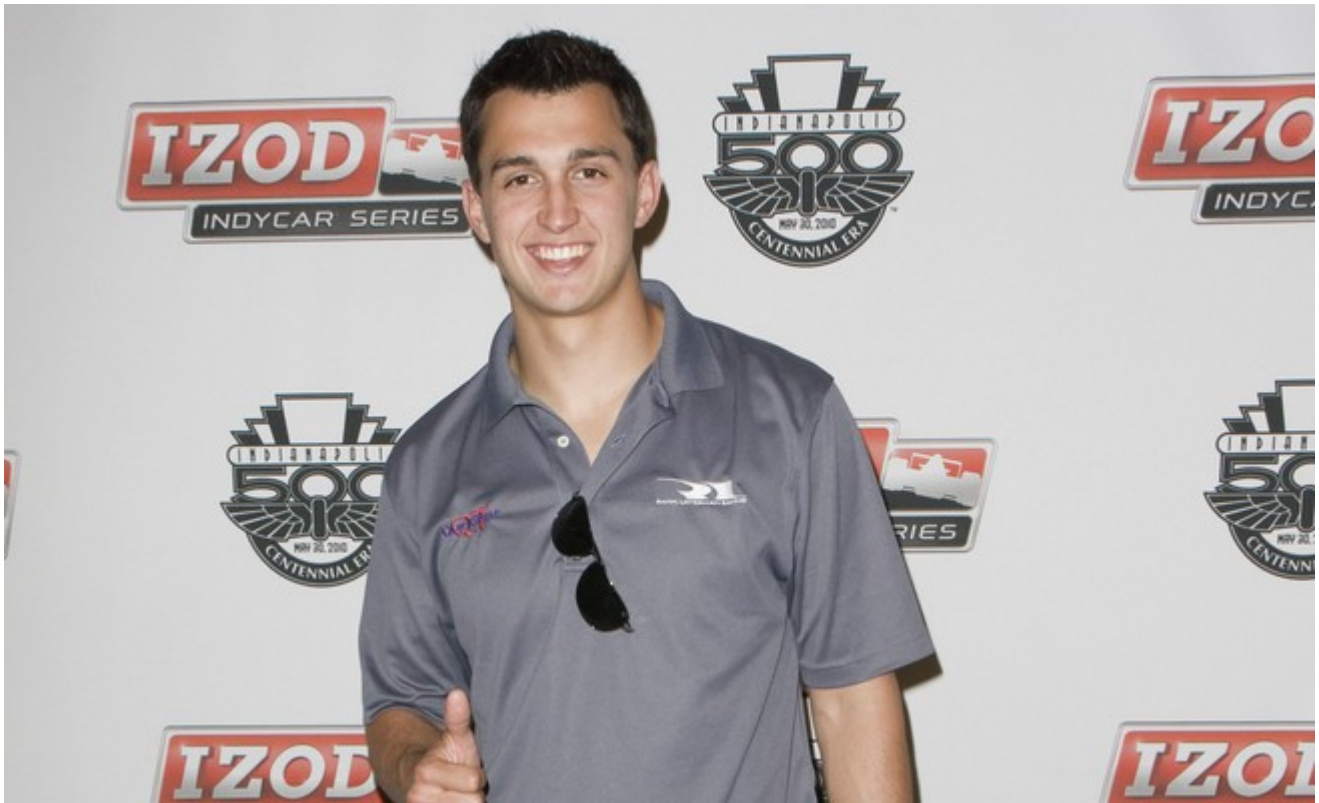
**3. Indulge:** Were you starving yourself to fit the gown, or stressing so much to make sure the seating was mastered, and the flowers perfect? Take this honeymoon to eat out, or better yet order in and enjoy with no worries except what you are in the mood for.

**Which celeb couple will be next to walk down the aisle? Share your predictions below!**

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## **Brad Pitt Talks About George Clooney, Celebrity Weddings, and His Celebrity Love**





By Maggie Manfredi

Love is in the air for Hollywood's favorite hunks! According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), [Brad Pitt](#) believes that marriage is more than just a license, which isn't a surprising opinion considering he recently tied the knot with long-time celebrity love and mother of their children, [Angelina Jolie](#). Pitt commented on actor friend, George Clooney, in light of his Hollywood relationship and rather public [celebrity wedding](#) celebration, saying, "Well, you know, George is extremely accessible. He's one of our best representatives. He's funny as sh-t. He's a joy to be around. I guess maybe I'm more of a miserable b-tard. I'm a bit of a loner, you know? I'm more quiet by nature. And coming from hillbilly country, I'm probably more reserved." Lately, Pitt has been backing off from his acting career to spend more time with his celebrity love and family.

**Now that George Clooney is a**

# married man, a lot will change between him and his celebrity love. What are three ways a relationship changes after marriage?

## Cupid's Advice:

We've come a long way since the standard was grow up, get married, and have babies. Every relationship is unique, and every couple has their own way of living life, but there are some changes that come with marriage if and when that happens. Cupid has some thoughts on them:

**1. Becoming Mr. and Mrs.:** There are now more options when it comes to the woman changing her name. You can: take your spouse's name but keep your pre-marriage name for professional reasons; get creative and start a new legacy with a new last name together; or change your maiden name to your middle name.

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**2. What's mine is yours:** Whether or not you signed a prenup, marriage comes with the principle that you will be sharing a life together. With that idea comes the elements of money, property and children, so be a contributor, listener, and lover.

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**3. Work at it:** You have made it through the honeymoon stage and the cohabitation successfully – congrats! But now, maybe the kids have three different after school activities to get to, or you've been traveling more for work. No matter what, don't forget to make time for each other! Date nights can help you stay connected. The little things will keep you coupled

and happy together.

What are some fun date night activities for married couples?  
Share below!

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## George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin Have Civil Ceremony in Venice



By Maggie Manfredi

The City of Water was the City of Love this past weekend!

According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin had a wedding to remember, from the bachelor/bachelorette outings to the five-course meal, all at a seven-star hotel in the middle of Venice. The couple's civil ceremony, to tie the knot officially, was sophisticated and romantic. Alamuddin wore a floppy hat and Clooney, a dapper grey suit, to say "I do" on Monday Sept. 29.

## **What are some ways to make a courthouse wedding romantic?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

There are some stereotypes attached to a courthouse wedding, but Cupid has some advice to do it right a la Carrie and Big from *Sex & The City*:

**1. Don't forget to say cheese:** Just because you are having a small ceremony, doesn't mean you shouldn't document it. Make sure to hire a photographer for the candid moments, or if you want a very private ceremony ask a friend or family member to snap the special shots.

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**2. Wedding wears:** Sure you won't be making a very long walk down an aisle, but you can still wear the outfit of your dreams. It might not be white and it might not be long, the choice is all up to you!

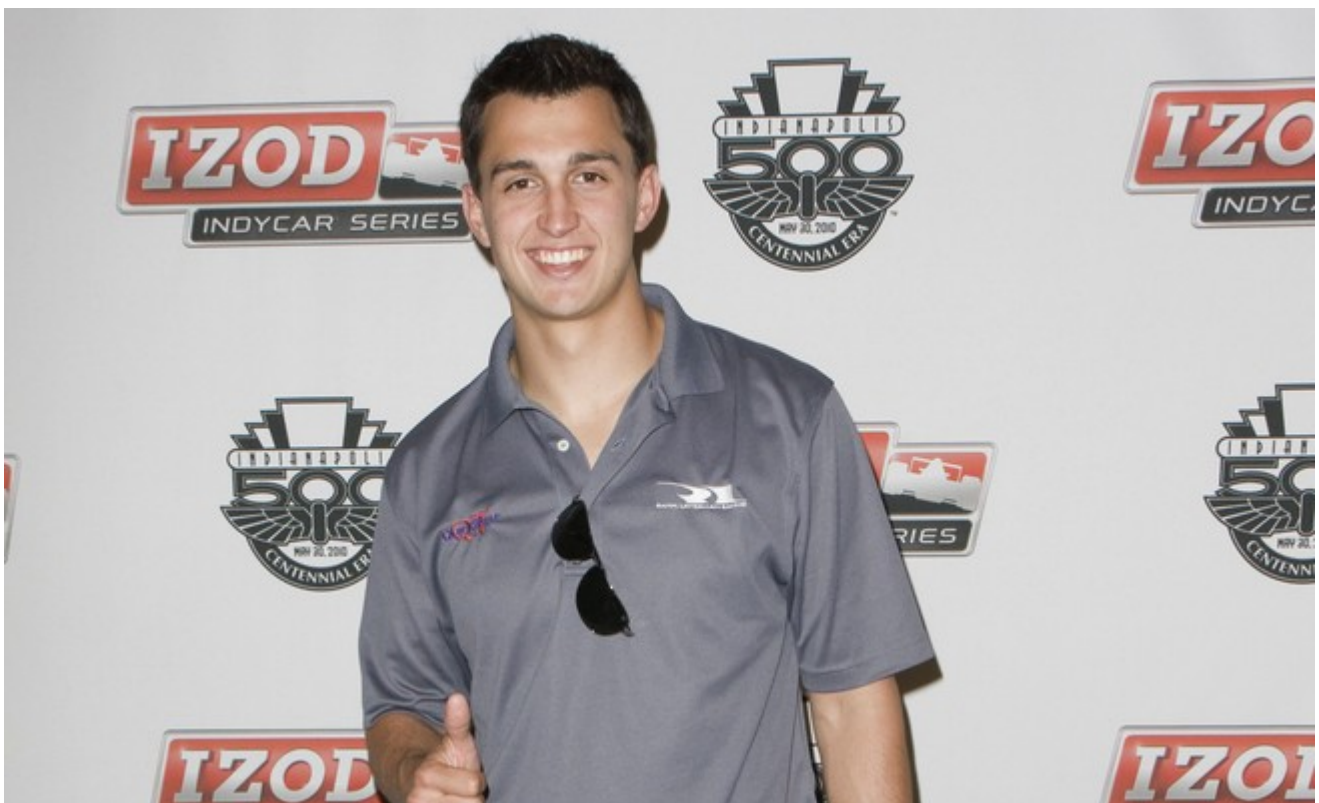
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**3. Party it up:** You just made the commitment of a lifetime, if there was ever an excuse to celebrate, it's now. Dinner, cocktails, dancing...do what makes you happy and celebrate your wedded bliss with the one you love, and whoever else you deem worthy to join the fun.

Any courthouse wedding tips you think would make it a memorable day? Share your thoughts below!

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## Find Out Details Behind George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin's Wedding Prep



By Maggie Manfredi

Everyone's favorite silver fox got hitched to his foxy lady this past weekend! According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) Venice, Italy will never be the same post-wedding. George Clooney tied the

knot with now-wife, Amal Alamuddin, at Hotel Cipriani. Preparations were in full swing as the famous hotel was transformed into the romantic destination for the nuptials. Prior to the wedding, a source reported, "Everyone is very excited. It's going to be quite the party. There is a lot of celebrating planned. They will be serving the tequila at a couple of the parties!" Pass the lime and the salt, because we want to make a toast to the happy couple.

**What are the three most important things to do during wedding prep?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

You are counting down the days until the wedding, you have checklists and choices to make and family members to please. You might be thinking there isn't enough time! Not to worry, Cupid is here to assist with the wedding preparation:

**1. Stay organized:** There a lot of moving parts in order to pull off a successful rehearsal, ceremony and reception. Keep a binder (or the 21st century electronic equivalent) to keep track of deadlines and to take notes.

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**2. Be calm:** Will all the guests, the spending and all the personal time put in, it will be easy to stray towards the bridezilla side of the wedding spectrum. But take deep breaths, spend as much time as you can with the person you love and remain calm.

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**3. Have fun:** This is your day! Sure the prep can be stressful but remember why you are doing it, to share with your friends and family the bond that you and your partner are making. That



is simply a beautiful thing, embrace the joy.

What are your pre-wedding must dos? Share your comments below!

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# 'Avengers' Star Jeremy Renner Secretly Marries Sonni Pacheco



By Maggie Manfredi

Hawkeye is hitched! According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Jeremy Renner had a secret wedding with girlfriend Sonni Pacheco. The two

actors and parents have kept the details of the event very hush-hush. *The Avengers* star said, "I have tried to protect my family's privacy, my wife's privacy. I don't need her to get hammered with my life." But he did officially confirm that the two have tied the knot.

## **What are some ways to pull off a secret wedding?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Marital bonds are sacred and beautiful. Some people like to tell it to the world and share their good news, but maybe you want to keep the celebration to yourself and simply make it your special day. Cupid has some tips to make this dream a reality:

**1. Stay off social media:** This is the easiest way to give away details of your nuptials. Seriously, keep off of snap chat, instagram, facebook etc. to ensure that the wedding stays undisclosed.

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**2. Plan it out:** The details of the day will make or break the secretive element. You and your partner are going to have to design and follow through so that the wedding can be kept under wraps.

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**3. Enjoy it:** No matter what happens, it is your wedding day and you cannot spend it worrying or forcing the situation to go perfectly. Take it all in, dance it out and celebrate the love you share!

**Secret wedding or share the love? Share your opinion below!**