

Blake Shelton Told Kelly Clarkson's Fiancé to 'Marry This Girl'



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Blake Shelton is taking all of the credit for Kelly Clarkson's recent engagement to fiancé Brandon Blackstock, according to [People](#). Prior to popping the question, Shelton reportedly advised Blackstock to pop the question to Clarkson, even going as far as to promise to perform for four hours straight at their wedding ceremony. "She's the best thing to happen to him," Shelton explained in regards to Clarkson and Blackstock's relationship. The couple just recently became

engaged after Blackstock presented Clarkson with a large yellow canary diamond, which she is over the moon about.

How do you know if you've met "the one"?

Cupid's Advice:

With plenty of fish in the sea, finding your supposed "soulmate" can be difficult, especially with a lot of dating blunders. Here are some key tips on how to know you've met that one:

1. You feel it: As cliché as it sounds, when you are with the right person you feel it in your heart. You can see a future between the two of you and you have no question about one another's feelings towards the other.

2. You're a better person: When the person you are with makes you a better person, that's when you know that they are right for you. When you strive to be kinder, more generous, etc. you know that you are in the right relationship.

3. There's no sacrifice: Every relationship has a little give and take. However, if you are constantly making sacrifices then you are not with the right person.

How do you know if you are dating "the one"? What signs would you look for?

'Mad Men' Star Ben Feldman Is Engaged to Girlfriend

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Actor Ben Feldman proposed to Michelle Mulitz on Saturday, UsMagazine.com reports. The Mad Men star has given up the bachelor life now that he's engaged to girlfriend Mulitz. The proposal happened while the couple was walking their dog. Feldman got down on one knee to Mulitz's surprise. "They are the best couple," a source said. "Very normal fun pair. Everyone is very happy for them."

What are some ways to plan a spontaneous-style proposal?

Cupid's Advice:

Lots of couples will eventually discuss marriage and possible next steps in their relationship. Though, when it does come time to pop the question, convention says you don't want them to see it coming:

1. Rehearse your speech: Don't go into the moment expecting the words to instantly pour from your heart. Give your feelings some thought and come up with a rough ideas of what you want to say. Address the key question, why should they marry you?

2. Use a distraction: Whether it's dinner, a movie, or rock climbing in the Grand Canyon, make sure you have an excuse to bring your partner to where you need them and explanations for any activity. You have to avoid suspicion at all costs.

3. Get a friend to help: Brainstorming your proposal ideas are a good way to root out the best ones. Get a friend on board who can give you some feedback. It's also important to have someone if your scheme requires any set-up or detailed maneuvering.

What great proposals have you heard about? Share your thoughts below!

Janice Dickinson 'Couldn't Be Happier' Over Engagement to Dr. Robert Gerner





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Former *America's Next Top Model* judge Janice Dickinson is engaged to Dr. Robert Gerner, [UsMagazine.com](https://www.usmagazine.com) reports. This is Dickinson's fourth marriage. Gerner, nicknamed 'Rocky', is a prominent psychopharmacology expert. The couple have only been dating for three months, but "it was love at first sight," Dickinson said. "I intend to make Rocky the happiest man in the world for the rest of his life."

What are some things to beware of when you think it's love at first sight?

Cupid's Advice:

Everyone wants to believe in love at first sight. The romantic concept is in every love story ever told, so why not in our lives as well? While having a good first impression of someone is definitely a good sign, it's not a fool-proof system:

1. Infatuation: Often mistaken for love at first site, we can

become suddenly infatuated with someone we find attractive, or who seems too cool to be true. Sometimes they aren't that cool. Sometimes you don't consider if they're compatible with you when you're so enthralled with their beauty.

2. Incompatible: After a brief chat it should become clear if your personalities don't click. However, wait for the second date before writing their name on your mirror. Explore how they feel about life, issues important to you, and relationships.

3. Unavailable: Make sure first of all that this person can offer you what you're looking for. Maybe they're avoiding relationships at all costs. It's possible they work too much to be able to give you much time. Understand how you would fit into their life.

Have you ever believed in love at first sight? Share your experiences below!

Kelly Clarkson Shows Off Her New Engagement Ring





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Kelly Clarkson has gotten engaged to boyfriend Brandon Blackstock and has already revealed what the giant rock looks like, according to [People](#). The former *American Idol* singer began dating Blackstock, a talent manager, late last year. In November of this year, though, Clarkson revealed to Ellen DeGeneres that she is expecting some bling at some point. Her ring is a yellow canary diamond surrounded by smaller diamonds that her fiancé designed with Johnathon Arndt. Blackstock did a great job matching Clarkson's taste since she loves her ring. She is already looking forward to designing his wedding band with the same designer.

What are some ways to know what style of engagement ring to get your bride-to-be?

Cupid's Advice:

Purchasing an engagement ring for (hopefully) your bride-to-be can be nerve wrecking. Here are some ways to know what type of

style to get:

1. Ask around: Chances are that your girlfriend has gushed to her girlfriends and her mother/grandmother what type of rock she is hoping to land. Don't be afraid to ask for help as long as you do so discreetly.

2. Plant some evidence: Purposely pass by a jewelry store and see what type of ring lights up your partner's eyes. Flip through some wedding magazines together to get a better idea of what she is looking for.

3. Do your homework: Research the different types of cuts and styles of the rings to be able to eliminate them more easily. See what type of ring settings she has already to know what her personal taste is.

What are some ways to figure out what style of ring to get?
What are some tips that you might have?

Hugh Hefner and Crystal Harris Are Re-Engaged





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It looks like these two love-birds are back at it again. At 86 years-young, Hugh Hefner is engaged again to Crystal Harris. To make it official, the couple took to Twitter to announce the news. Playboy's founder tweeted, "I've given Crystal Harris a ring. I love the girl." Soon after, the 26 year-old fiancée posted pictures of her ring, calling it "my beautiful ring." With all these announcements going around, what wasn't mentioned at all was a wedding date. However, sources reveal to [People](#) the wedding will be on New Year's Eve at the Playboy Mansion in Los Angeles, which was the same wedding plan after their first engagement. In 2011, Harris called off the wedding days before the big day. Then, both Harris and Hefner bad mouthed each other; Harris calling Hefner a two-second man and Hefner stating he "missed a bullet" when the wedding was called off. Hopefully, these two can leave 2011 in the past.

What are some things to be careful of in an on-again off-again relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

From break up to make up, that's all some relationship's do. Your heart is broken and you worry how you can live without him/her. After endless hours of crying, your ex is suddenly back, professing love again. Sound familiar? Before jumping back into their arms for what could be another painful ride, consider these tips before getting hurt again:

1. Expectations: Even though you both may be very familiar with each other the second time around, expect to find a different person in your mate. For the one that broke up the relationship, realize that your partner may still be heartbroken and unable to trust you completely. For the partner that was dumped, understand that your mate may not have learned their "lesson" the first time around.

2. Repeating history: A common mistake reunited couples make is repeating their past relationship, especially when reconciling so soon after the breakup. Remember, that relationship failed. In order to prevent this, you and your partner need to give each other adequate time and space to reflect and heal in order to move forward together.

3. Know thyself: Are you too forgiving? Is your ex's ego too confident that you will accept all their crap? Often times, these two personality types attract each other and entertain roller coaster relationships of up and down craziness. Understanding what your strongest personality trait is will help you to keep your feet grounded and your heart whole.

What lessons did you learn in your on-again off-again relationship? Tell us below.

'Bachelorette' Stars J.P. Rosenbaum and Ashley Hebert Tie the Knot



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Season seven *Bachelorette* Ashley Herbert and fiancé J.P. Rosenbaum got hitched Saturday in Pasadena, Calif., according to [People](#). The couple are only the second in the franchise's 24 seasons to tie the knot after the finale. *Bachelor* and *Bachelorette* alumni Ali Fedowsky, Emily Maynard, and Jason and Molly Mesnick were in attendance, and franchise host Chris Harrison officiated the ceremony. "Today is all about our friends and family," Herbert said.

What are some ways to celebrate your love without getting married?

Cupid's Advice:

It might not be the right time to get married, or maybe you're not that concerned with the institution. Either way, there are many ways you can deepen your love with your partner. Follow your heart, and prioritize your happiness:

1. Moving forward: Both of you should want to see your relationship develop. Finding ways to spend more time together, and bringing your lives closer are benefits you can find without marriage. Make time for your partner and find new ways to enjoy their company.

2. Children: A child is a huge commitment, and shouldn't be considered lightly. Many times a baby can pop into your life unexpectedly. No matter how it happens, a child is a celebration of your love. You might feel pressure to get hitched, but giving a baby the significance it deserves is most important.

3. Special occasions: Spending the holidays with your loved ones shows their importance in your life. Making Valentine's Day and anniversaries special with thoughtful celebrations will reflect the love you share.

How does your partner remind you of their love? Share your experiences below!

Mario Lopez Marries Courtney Mazza



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X-Factor and *Extra* host Mario Lopez married actress Courtney Mazza on Saturday, [People](#) reports. The couple exchanged nuptials in an outdoor ceremony in Punta Mita, Mexico. The newlyweds' daughter, Gia, was a flower girl with her three cousins. The ceremony will also feature a wedding cake by *Cake Boss* Buddy Valastro, and a mariachi band. The couple met in 2008 when Lopez starred in *A Chorus Line* on Broadway.

What are some things to consider about the music at your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Don't stay up at night making your wedding playlist. This is usually a task assigned to a trusted music adviser, either a friend or sibling. Here are a few things to keep in mind for your music choices:

1. Venue: The ceremony itself would obviously benefit from live musicians for more powerful instrumentals. There's no point in playing party music at your wedding venues where nobody can dance. Music can always add to the atmosphere, but high tempo pop is much more obnoxious than slow instrumental songs. Manage the volume when music is not important, or instruct musicians accordingly.

2. Dancing: If people are going to be hitting the dance floor, pick exciting music! Luckily there are many classic songs for wedding receptions. Adding a few of these is a good way to break the ice. Don't worry about theme appropriate songs, just as long as it sounds fun. Live bands who know a good collection of tunes are even better, but make sure they have enough good material for your whole event.

3. Know your audience: Weddings can bring many demographics together so make sure the music will appeal to everyone. It's too tempting to pick music with emotional significance to you or specific people in attendance, but don't go overboard. This is your special day, but making diplomatic music choices will keep your guests happy. Letting a friend with reputable music taste to design the line-up is a safe choice.

What types of music do you like at weddings? Share your experiences below!

How Famous Couple Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum Prepared for Their Celebrity Wedding



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The time came for a celebration in Pasadena, California. *The Bachelorette* famous couple [Ashley Hebert](#) and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#) were so excited for their December 1st [celebrity wedding](#). With a beautiful ceremony planned by wedding planner Mindy Weiss, invitees included reality TV show alums Emily Maynard, Trista and Ryan Sutter, and Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez. Both

bride and groom were ready to walk down the aisle, after each having their last “single” party in Scottsdale, Arizona. “The girls had quite the party! They had a stripper for Ashley, and everyone got spa treatments. The guys hung out and went out for a steak dinner,” a source revealed. Besides becoming Mrs. Rosenbaum, Hebert was most excited about finally putting on her wedding dress: “Ashley can’t wait for people to see it!”

Famous couple Hebert and Rosenbaum had fun while celebrating the night before their celebrity wedding. What are some unique ways to spend your bachelor/bachelorette party?

Cupid’s Advice:

You don’t need to be a famous couple to throw a fun bachelor or bachelorette party! With a little creativity and help, here are three party ideas anyone can enjoy before walking down the aisle:

1. Road trip: Surprise the bride or groom, and plan a road trip to their favorite destination. To make it extra special, you can “kidnap” them, keeping them completely out of the loop until you near the destination. All you need is a great group of friends, a road map, snacks, and a full tank of gas.

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2. All in: What better way to prepare the bride or groom to go “all in” with marriage than organizing a poker tournament in their honor! This game is just for fun, although there should be a jackpot to claim in the end. Consider reserving a room at an upscale restaurant, club, or cigar lounge. Be sure to make

festive shirts and hats for the party goers.

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3. Go extreme: Want to make plunging into marriage seem like a piece of cake? Plan a skydiving party for the bachelor or bachelorette! If jumping out of a plane at 10,000 feet doesn't sound like fun, try surfing, bungee jumping, rock climbing, or scuba diving instead. Plus, defying death with friends will always create great bonding memories for the future.

How did you celebrate your bachelor/bachelorette party uniquely? Share your story below.

Brad Pitt Confirms Celebrity Wedding with Angelina Jolie Will Happen 'Soon'





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Break out the tuxedos! A celebrity wedding celebration is in order. Engaged to one of Hollywood's most famous stars, [Brad Pitt](#) says his celebrity wedding to [Angelina Jolie](#) is coming soon, as reported in [People](#). At Monday night's premiere of his new film *Killing Them Softly* in New York, Pitt, 48, stated "I am getting more pressure from my kids, and it is something I want to do within their lifetime, but I also feel like the time has come." The famous couple has been together for seven years and celebrated a [celebrity engagement](#) this past spring. Even though Pitt and Jolie, 37, raise their six children together, Pitt still believes the wedding will be significant to their family. "I am surprised how much [marriage] meant to me once you had that."

Like famous couple Pitt and Jolie

are sure to do at their celebrity wedding, what are some ways to involve children in the celebration?

Cupid's Advice:

Regardless of your children's ages, it is never a bad idea to include them in your wedding. A wedding is a ceremony of unity, which definitely includes everyone in your immediate family. To help your wedding be a success, here are three ideas how to include your children:

1. Ring bearer or flower girl: When your children are very young, consider sticking to the traditional roles of ring bearer or flower girl. They'll love these fun roles! Plus, it won't give your little ones too much to handle.

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2. Escort: Should the children be teenagers or older, they may want a more significant role in the ceremony. Why not have them escort you down the aisle? By escorting you, they are symbolically giving you and your fiancé their blessing.

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3. Family vows: Including family vows in the wedding ceremony is a great way to publicly solidify the family as a whole. After exchanging marriage vows, you and your partner can each exchange family vows with the children, promising to love and care for them. You can also give the children a ring as a token.

How do you think this famous couple will include their children in their celebrity wedding? Share your thoughts below!

Rumor: Are Hope Solo and Jerramy Stevens Married Amid Assault Allegations?



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Rumor has it that Jerramy Stevens and Hope Solo went through with their wedding even though he was recently arrested for assault charges, according to [People](#). Stevens is the tight end for the Seattle Seahawks and Solo is the goalkeeper for the U.S. women's soccer team. The couple has been dating for a mere two months, but applied for a marriage license last week. The two were reportedly arguing for where to get married when allegations were made that Stevens assaulted his fiancée. Stevens has been released based on lack of sufficient evidence to prove the charges. Though, a short-term imprisonment did not stop this duo from getting hitched.

What are some steps to take if you've been assaulted by your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Assault is a very serious issue and steps must be taken if your partner strikes you. Here are some things to do if you find yourself in this scenario:

- 1. Walk away:** Before the situation escalates and gets even more dangerous, walk away if you can. There is no excuse for your partner assaulting you. Regardless of why they did so, remove yourself from the situation as quickly as possible.
- 2. Tell a friend:** Don't keep it to yourself. Tell a family member or a trusted friend who can be your confidante. Someone needs to know what is going on so that they can help you. Stay with a friend for the time being if needed.
- 3. Press charges:** Whether you choose to press charges or not, keep in mind that if it happens once, it is going to happen again. Under no circumstances is it acceptable for someone to physically harm you.

What are some steps you would take? Share your thoughts with us in the comments below.

Newlywed Sara Ramirez Feels 'Very Romantic' Post-Wedding



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Grey's Anatomy star Sara Ramirez is a married woman now, reports [People](#). The actress recently tied the knot with fiancé Ryan Debolt, who works as a business analyst. The couple is blissfully happy and enjoying life as newlyweds. Though, Ramirez did not always think she would be heading down the aisle towards her dream man. Though, her groom managed to change her mind about that. "The connection was there very

early on," she admits, reinforcing the idea of love at first sight. The duo married on Independence Day with a beachfront ceremony surrounded by a small number of close friends and family. "There's nothing like the first kiss once you've been pronounced husband and wife," Ramirez reveals in regards to her wedding day. The couple is currently enjoying married life.

What are some ways to keep the spark alive after you get married?

Cupid's Advice:

The wedding was amazing and now you're married. Now what? Here are some ways to keep that excitement and amazement alive after you get married:

1. Date night: Don't forget to keep up a weekly or monthly date night. It doesn't have to be anything over the top or expensive, but remember to go out to dinner or catch a movie once in awhile.

2. Be daring: Try something the two of you have never done before. Look up some local events in your area and try to find something that the both of you want to try. Sign up for some cooking classes or go to an amusement park you have never gone to before.

3. Spend time apart: Remember to spend some time apart from one another. Just because you are married does not mean you have to be with each other all of the time. Time apart makes you appreciate the time you are together.

What are some ways you keep your marriage alive? Share your stories with us!

Pal Says Kim Kardashian Hopes to Get Engaged and Pregnant Post-Divorce



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Kim Kardashian wants to start planning for her future with Kanye West; that is once her divorce papers come in. Kardashian, 32, recently set the record straight to UsMagazine.com, confirming that she is not pregnant nor having a “surprise wedding” with West. Technically, she her divorce

to Brooklyn Nets Kris Humphries is not official and continues at a snail's pace. However, a close source reveals that the couple does have a plan for their future. "Kim thinks they'll get engaged and try for a baby once the divorce is final...Kanye is actually being very patient." All that is needed is ink to dry on Kardashian's walking papers.

What are some things to be careful of in a relationship after your divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

Dating again post-divorce can be both exciting and challenging, especially if you have been off the market for quite some time. While you may feel you are ready to start a love life once more, there are many things to be careful about in new relationships. Some things will be obvious and some will sneak up on you. So to get you started, here are a few no-no's to think about when saying yes to a date:

1. Jumping in too soon: While there is no set time for when to start dating again, you can jump into the dating pool too soon. The main thing to focus on is whether you have healed from your divorce. Taking the time to get to loving your single self and realizing what you did wrong before will help you not to make the same mistakes again.

2. Comparing your ex to your new partner: One thing a potential partner hates is being compared to the ex or even listening about him/her over dinner. So try not to do it. While you do not want to find an exact replacement to your ex, keep in mind that every person is different and will not necessarily act the same as your ex in a similar past situation. Bottom line, keep your ex in the past.

3. Repeating the same mistakes: A common thing to do when you are not ready to date is to repeat the same mistakes. This usually happens in not taking the time to analyze what went

wrong in your previous marriage and what responsibility you had in those mistakes. Without unlearning the wrong way and relearning the right way to handle a conflict, you are doomed to repeat.

What were some things you were careful of in a new relationship post-divorce? Comment below.

MTV Host TJ Lavin Marries Longtime Girlfriend Roxanne Siordia in Vegas





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MTV host TJ Lavin has officially tied the knot with girlfriend Roxanne Siordia in Las Vegas, according to [People](#). The two wed on November 2nd, which was planned accordingly since the two met eight years ago exactly on that day. The couple had been thinking about marriage for the past six years, though an accident involving a BMX dirt bike left him in a coma for several days disrupting the couple's plans. The accident occurred two years ago and since, the pair has been focused on their relationship. Though, the groom claims he knew all along that Siordia was the one for him. "I knew I was gonna marry her the second I met her," he reveals as the longtime duo opted out of a big, lavish wedding. "Fancy weddings aren't our thing," he explained as to their Vegas wedding. The couple has not decided on where they will be honeymooning yet, but Lavin will be adopting Siordia's thirteen-year-old daughter from a previous relationship.

What are the advantages to a Vegas wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

While many girls dream of what their wedding day will look like since their childhood days, some couples opt out of the big, lavish wedding. Here are some advantages to the Vegas style wedding:

1. Fast paced: The typical engagement period can range from several months to several years in which an extended amount of time is needed in order to plan the wedding. However, a Vegas wedding shortens the time span incredibly allowing couples to be united in matrimony in a more reasonable time span.

2. Cheap: Weddings are outrageously expensive. The more people you plan on having at your reception, the higher the cost of the celebration goes. Rather than going broke from your wedding, Vegas weddings are much cheaper and will not burn a hole in your wallet.

3. Low key: Instead of getting caught up in seating charts and who will be offended if they are not given an invitation, Vegas weddings are much more low key. Pick a few close friends and family to witness the ceremony and off you go. There is no need to invite every person you have ever met to a Vegas wedding.

Would you ever get married in Vegas? Why or why not? Share your thoughts with us!

Evan Rachel Wood and Jamie Bell Tie the Knot



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Evan Rachel Wood and Jamie Bell went and got married, according to [People](#). The bride revealed her excitement through her Twitter account saying, "Words cannot describe the happiness I am feeling." Bell's close friend Max Minghelia who also attended the wedding also shared his feelings regarding the nuptials via Twitter, "...Got to see my best friend exchange vows with the love of his life." The pair had been supposedly engaged since January of this year and married in a quiet ceremony with close friends and family members in attendance. They originally dated back in 2005 when they met on the set of a Green Day music video. They even got each other's first initial tattooed on each other, but split for some time. During their split Wood dated and became engaged to Marilyn Manson. Though, since then she has found her way back to her

roots with Bell.

How do you know whether to have a large or small wedding ceremony?

Cupid's Advice:

Weddings come in all shapes, forms and sizes, so how do you know which one is for you? Here are some tips on how to determine whether or not to have a large or a small ceremony:

1. Money: The more guests you have, the more money your wedding will be. If you and your partner are on a tight budget, you might want to keep the guest list down to a manageable amount. Not all weddings need to have over two hundred guests.

2. The Venue: If you have fallen in love with a smaller venue, it may be best to cross off that third cousin twice removed. Perhaps you are having your wedding at someone's house and you only have a limited number of space.

3. Your Choice: At the end of the day, whomever you invite it completely up to you and your partner. You do not have to invite every one you have ever spoken to. The smaller the ceremony, the more intimate. The larger the ceremony, the bigger the party.

Would you have a small or a large reception? Share your ideas with us!

Levi Johnston Marries Sunny Oglesby Without Tripp in Attendance



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On October 28, Levi Johnston wedded his girlfriend of over one year, Sunny Oglesby without his first born, Tripp in attendance. The groom, 22, wanted Tripp, 4, to be his ring bearer, but mother, Bristol Palin denied visitation. According to [Inside Edition](#), Johnston did not inform Palin of his weekend nuptials. Instead, he only asked for custody of his son. One person that was able to make it was Johnston's second child with Oglesby, one-month-old Breeze Beretta. This is the

first child for Oglesby, 20. During the wedding, Johnston was said to have goofed on his vows. "To have and to hold, whatever you say."

How do you keep open lines of communication with your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Regardless of why the relationship ended, there are many reasons why you cannot just remove your ex from your life, such as working together or sharing custody of a child. In circumstances such as these, it is best to keep the line of communication open and respectful as best as possible in order to make life easier for all those involved. Should you need help, here are a few tips on how to remain cordial with your ex:

1. Express your plan: As soon as possible, inform your ex that you plan to move forward in a respectful manner for both of your sakes. Should you ex not agree with you; don't stoop down to his/her level. Remain on your path. Eventually, they will see you are serious and come around.

2. Be specific: In the beginning, emotions may still be raw. Therefore, it would greatly benefit the both of you to be specific about your reasons when reaching out to your ex. No matter what is said, work hard to keep your emotions under control. Also, don't forget to use your "please" and "thank you." The key is to establish respect for each other.

3. Don't reminisce: When speaking to your ex, it is best not to bring up moments of your past relationship together, regardless of whether there were good or bad. In order to move forward in an amicable manner, your intimate times with your ex must remain in the past. Otherwise, you will only bring confusion.

What methods do you use to keep open lines of communication

with your ex? Tell us below.

Patti Stanger Discusses Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel's 'Lasting' Marriage



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Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel are in newlywed bliss, but Patti Stanger believes that their marriage is for the long

run, reports [People](#). The two tied the knot in Italy last week in a ceremony that was just as hush-hush as their whole relationship has been. Stanger theorizes that the two are in it for life according to three things. First of all, their respective ages put them in their thirties which make them more mature and emotionally developed than younger couples. Timberlake and Biel have been linked since 2007 so they are no stranger to one another. Another aspect of their relationship that makes it long lasting is their need for privacy. The couple does not show off their relationship for the whole world to see. The two also have loads of respect for one another, which is one of the single most important factors in a marriage. Timberlake revealed, "In my 30 years, she is the most special person, okay? ... I don't want to say much more, because I have to protect things that are dear to me – for instance, her." That single quote alone shows the deep connection that the two share.

What are some keys to making your marriage last?

Cupid's Advice:

In a time where divorce is almost as common as going out for dinner, the amount of lasting marriages is dwindling. Here are some tips on how to make your marriage last:

1. R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Aretha Franklin preached it and now, so are we. In order to make your marriage last, you have to have respect for your partner, your relationship and yourself. Along with respect comes trust, honesty and loyalty, which are all aspects of a thriving marriage.

2. Passion: Have you ever been called "an old married couple"? That is not a compliment and you should not take it as one. Remember to keep the passion alive between you and your partner. Just because you are officially married does not mean that the passion is over.

3. For better or worse: Remember that vow you made? For better or worse – that means that there are going to be fantastic times and there are going to be some bad times. Regardless of whether it is a good day or a bad day, the two of you are there for one another and that is all that matters at the end of the day.

What are some ways you keep your marriage alive? Share your stories with us in the comments below.

Justin Timberlake Sang to Jessica Biel at Wedding Reception





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With their elegant wedding in Italy, this past Friday was a night to remember for Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake. The former 'NSYNC band member and his new bride had a white wedding, with white flowers literally everywhere, in the very posh Borgo Egnazia resort in southern Italy. One witness reports to UsMagazine.com, "Even the balconies facing the main courtyard were dressed with white blooms." The wedding reception was also held inside the hotel resort and draped in white fabric with; you guessed it, more white flowers. Biel, 30, changed from her white-and-pink wedding gown to something more comfortable for partying. With many of Timberlake's songs being played at the reception by deejay ?uestlove, guests and Biel were in for a surprise when Timberlake, 31, sang a never-been-heard-before song in dedication to his new bride.

How do you use music to bring romance to your relationship?

Cupids Advice:

Music is the primary language of love. It can translate into many cultures and send a message around the world. In music, we can strengthen love in a matter of minutes, express our deepest feelings and permanently bookmark a moment in time that we will never forget. To tell your partner that you care, show your love through music examples, such as these:

1. Create a love playlist: If you have trouble talking about your feelings, why not let the professionals do it for you? Create a love playlist that includes a mixture of yours and his favorite artist. The best part, even when you are away, your love will come through the audio speakers every time he presses play.

2. Attend a concert: Another way to incorporate music is to find out who is your partner's favorite singer/band and attend their concert together. Just imagine the surprise look of joy your mate will have when you present those tickets. It gives you two an event to explore together and memory to cherish in the future.

3. Sing a song: Singing a song to your partner is a very romantic way to show your love and allows yourself to be open and vulnerable to them. Regardless of whether you have a beautiful singing voice or you cannot carry a tune, there is a song out there for everyone. All you have to do is find your song and practice before your special moment.

Did you romance your partner with music? Tell us your story below.

Justin Timberlake Refers to Wedding Day as 'Magical'



By

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Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel wed Friday at a resort in Puglia, Italy, according to [People](#). The couple spent days celebrating with friends and family before the ceremony. Open fires, beach parties, fireworks and live music foreshadowed the nuptials. "It was magical," Timberlake said about the wedding. "It was an unforgettable evening." The *N' Sync* alumni first met his wife at the 2007 Golden Globes. Biel, who debuted as a child star in *7th Heaven*, called the day "a fantasy."

What are some ways to make your wedding day magical?

Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding publicly announces that true love has been found and won. It's an event where you shout your devotion and welcome the huge transition from single living to a lifelong partnership. No matter what happens, that's pretty magical. But if you're worried about conveying this to your guests, here are some tips:

1. Foresight: Since you don't have to worry about your funeral, planning a wedding day is potentially the biggest event of your life. Make sure to give yourself ample time when picking the date. Magazines, books, friends and the internet are great outlets for the resources you'll need to get ideas and make sure you haven't forgotten anything. Remember, this is your special day, so make the choices that are special to you.

2. Simplicity: The more complications, the more can go wrong. Attendees appreciate the quality of decisions, not the quantity. A beautiful venue and lively dance floor are the foundation for the event's success. Don't burden yourself with lists of chores on your wedding day. Delegate tasks and make sure they're idiot proof.

3. Spontaneity: When that special day comes, odds are some plans are going to turn out different or not at all. Your guests will be looking to you for leadership. If you seem stressed out or anxious then unrest will quickly spread through the masses. Smile, be the voice of reason, and trust in fate. The most magical moments are the unforeseeable ones.

What are some other ways to make your wedding day unique and magical? Share your thoughts below.

Jennifer Aniston Says Justin Theroux's Proposal Was 'Covert'



By

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Jennifer Aniston's fiancé pulled a fast one on her when he popped the question, the actress tells [People](#). Justin Theroux had been conspiring with the specialists who have worked along with Aniston for years in order to come up with the perfect ring. While he had help, this was a difficult task since the

actress admits that she didn't even know what she wanted. "He just knows what I like," she explained on how he managed to impress her with his taste in jewelry. "It's hard to pull one over on me...it was...a very covert operation," Aniston admitted. She had no idea what he was planning and was taken by surprise by not only the proposal itself, but how perfect the ring was.

How do you keep an impending proposal under wraps?

Cupid's Advice:

Planning on proposing? Congratulations! Now here are some key tips on how to keep it on the down low so that your partner does not find out before you have the chance to pop the question:

1. Keep it in a small circle: Be cautious of who you share your information with – you don't want someone blabbing to your hopefully future fiancée about your intentions. You have the element of surprise, so make sure that you can trust the people who are conspiring with you.

2. Hide it well: Once you have the actual ring, hide it in a place where no one will ever find it but you. Just remember where you put it or else that would be a sticky situation. Here's a hint: somewhere in your shared bedroom is not the best place.

3. Stay cool: One of the biggest tipoffs is you acting strangely and out of character. Do your best to remain calm, cool and collected or else your partner will know something is up.

How would you keep a proposal on the down low? Share your ideas with us.

Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel Tie the Knot



By

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It's official: Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel have officially tied the knot, according to [People](#). The ceremony took place this past Friday in southern Italy. Photos and more juicy details will be revealed later in the week, as the majestic couple will surely adorn magazine covers. "The ceremony was beautiful...it's great to be married," revealed the couple who are over the moon with happiness. Though,

Timberlake fans everywhere were mourning the loss now that Timberlake is officially off of the market. Mixed emotions regarding the couple's union were all over Twitter mixed with congratulations for the happy couple along with tears over the fact that their favorite boy band member is off the market.

What are some ways to incorporate a surprise element in your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Weddings tend to be very structured and scheduled, right down to bathroom breaks. Here are some ways on how to add a little surprise in your wedding to break up the schedule whether you're looking to surprise your partner or the guests themselves:

1. A toast: Rather than having members of the couple's family or members of the bridal party toasting the couple, why not have the couple toasting their guests. A simple thank you and a heartfelt appreciation for those who took the time out to join you on your special day can go a long way.

2. A gift: If you are looking to surprise your significant other, buy them something special and then reveal it to them at the reception on your wedding day. Or, buy your bridal party and groomsmen a present as a token of your gratitude for them putting up with all of the chaotic wedding planning.

3. A step back in time: Playing an old favorite or an ode to the golden days can be a crowd pleaser for everyone – parents and old friends alike. If all of your bridesmaids were Justin Timberlake fan girls, for example, dedicate an old Nsync song to them.

How would you add a little surprise in to your wedding? Share your ideas with us in the comments below.

Jennifer Aniston Gets Teary-Eyed Discussing Engagement to Justin Theroux



By J

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Jennifer Aniston's engagement to fiancé Justin Theroux brings her tears of joy, according to [People](#). Last Monday night on E!'s *Chelsea Lately*, the actress, 43, became teary-eyed when Chelsea Handler, host of the show, began to speak of the engagement. "I just got verklempt," Aniston said as she wiped

a tear away. Handler went on to say that Aniston and Theroux, 41, are “the greatest couple ever.” Then the conversation changed to making fun of Handler imitating Aniston’s life. “I just saw my sport’s doctor backstage...and I haven’t seen my yoga teacher since we went to Cabo two years ago,” Aniston states as proof. All in good fun, Aniston thinks it would be nice for Handler to imitate her by also getting engaged. “Any takers?” she asked.

What are some ways to know you’re smitten?

Cupid’s Advice:

People who are smitten with their partner live in a completely different world than the rest of us. It’s easy for them to give the benefit of the doubt in situations. They tend to focus on the positive side, with an assumption of good will. Also, they generally feel a constant sense of enthusiasm or enchantment, expressing passion and feelings of tenderness. Here’s how to tell if “smitten” describes you:

1. You talk him up to your friends: If he is meeting your girlfriends for the first time and they already know everything about him, you are crazy about him. Wanting to constantly talk about your new partner to any friend that will listen is a good sign of how well your feelings are for him. You might get teased, but it’s worth it.

2. You like doing mundane activities together: Another example is the thought of helping him do his laundry, clean his apartment or go with him to run HIS errands makes you giddy inside. You may be perceived as the most boring couple ever by your friends. Even so, you prefer doing this because you two are together.

3. You can’t get over how handsome he is: Have you caught yourself staring at him when he’s staring at the TV? Better yet, has he caught you doing that? An obvious clue that you

are smitten is the overwhelming urge to stare at his beautiful face. Let's face it – you're hooked.

How you know you were smitten about your partner? Comment below.

Jennifer Aniston Shows Off Engagement Ring on a Date with Justin Theroux



By

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Actress Jennifer Aniston wore her enormous engagement ring out for a romantic Saturday night with fiancé Justin Theroux, according to UsMagazine.com. The two had a private table in the garden of Hollywood's Chateau Marmont. The couple chatted and made subtle signs of affections, like Theroux reaching out to touch her hand during the meal. Although the actor-screenwriter proposed to Aniston back in August, the ring didn't publicly debut until Oct. 6.

What are some ways to make a classic dinner date more romantic?

Cupid's Advice:

The classic dinner date is definitely the generic outing for a new couple, but pack it full of romance, and it won't lose its magic. It's always a great excuse to sit down and talk to your significant other for a couple of hours. Keep these tips in mind, and try new variations to pull off a deeply engaging dinner date:

1. Ambiance: The local, music, and the food create the date. Candles and flowers go a long way obviously, but try changing up the setting. Have a picnic, find some water, or make your own meal at home. Just changing things up adds some fresh romance.

2. Conversation: More important than what you're eating, or where you're eating it, is how you interact with your partner. If dinner is following an activity, you can discuss the heartfelt and funny moments of your date. For a special dinner date, you should make a connection in the conversation. Discuss topics that are special to you, or take the opportunity to learn more about your partner.

3. Appearance: Even if you've both seen each other at your

worst, a special dinner date means it's time to spruce up. Dress appropriately for the date, but if you're unsure, always overdress. Putting extra effort into your appearance tells your partner this date is special to you, and shows an endearing vulnerability. You're sending them an intimate message by soliciting their attraction. If you get dolled up for important event, then make this one of them.

What are some ways you've made your dinner dates more romantic? Share your experiences below!

'Mentalist' Star Owain Yeoman is Engaged





By

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Owain Yeoman of *Mentalist* recently proposed to girlfriend Gigi Yallouz, a jewelry designer according to [People](#). The couple began dating earlier this year after introducing themselves at a traffic light in Los Angeles. Yeoman surprised the designer by making his bulldog do all of the work by holding up a sign proposing to her. “It was quite a challenge picking out the ring,” the star remarked since his bride to be designs jewelry after all. Though, Yeoman seemed to pick the right one since she accepted his proposal and the two will be married this coming June in Malibu.

How do you find out what engagement ring your girlfriend would prefer?

Cupid’s Pulse:

You’re ready to pop the question but there’s just one problem – you are completely and utterly clueless as to which ring to get. You don’t know the difference between a gemstone and a

diamond! Here are some clues on how to find the right ring.

1. Recruit others to the cause: There is no one better to ask for help than your girlfriend's mother, your mother or your girlfriend's best friends. Chances are, your girlfriend has spilled to them over the years what her dream ring will include so don't feel that you're alone in this quest to finding the perfect ring.

2. Be sly: While you're out, walk by a jewelry store and see if anything in particular catches her eye. Look through her jewelry box and take a look at the jewelry she already has to see if there is a common theme between her pieces. For example, if the jewelry looks sort of antique, she will probably want a matching engagement ring.

3. Do your homework: The internet and magazines are your best friends. If necessary, look through the magazines at home so that you are not embarrassed at work or on the go. Though, it will be beneficial in the long run if you at least know what the typical price ranges are and styles.

How would you know which ring is right? Share your stories with us below.

Amber Tamblyn and David Cross Get Married





By

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Amber Tamblyn and David Cross have officially tied the knot, according to [People](#). Tamblyn, known for her role on *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* is nearly 20 years younger than her new husband. *The Increasingly Poor Decisions of Todd Margaret* star and his new bride announced their engagement back in August of 2011. Yo La Tengo and other performers sang at their wedding where Questlove of The Roots was the DJ. While there is an age gap between the new husband and wife, this is the first marriage for both Tamblyn and Cross.

How do you know when an age difference is a problem?

Cupid's Advice:

When we fall for someone, we are smitten to the extent that we do not notice the other's flaws right away. Or rather, we choose to ignore them. Here are some tips on how to tell if an age difference is going to be a problem:

1. On the same page: One of the biggest complications with dating someone older or younger is the fact that the two of you may be on different pages. If the two of you are in different aspects of your life, then perhaps it is going to be harder to connect to one another.

2. Age is just a number: If the statement “age is just a number” runs true for you, then it should not be a problem for you at all. After all, you are the one who is dating someone older or younger than you, so you have to appreciate the age difference.

3. Comfort is key: Are you comfortable with dating someone older or younger? At the end of the day, if it bothers you then it is not going to work out. If the difference does not impact you, then you’re in the clear.

How would you deal with an age difference? Share your stories with us below!