Kelsey Grammer's Daughter Spencer Gets Married





Kelsey Grammer's 27

year-old daughter, Spencer wed longtime beau James Hesketh at City Hall in New York this past Friday, <u>People</u> reports. The 55 year-old actor's rep confirmed that Kelsey was in attendance along with his own fiancée, 29 year-old Kayte Walsh. Kelsey, who recently divorced Camille Grammer, plans to follow in his daughter's footsteps and wed Walsh at the end of February.

Is the timing of your wedding important?

Cupid's Advice:

When it comes to wedding planning, sometimes timing is everything. Cupid has some advice on factors to consider:

1. Cost and convenience: It costs less to host a wedding on a Friday than on a Saturday or Sunday. Depending on what day you set the date will reflect on how many RSVP's

you'll receive.

- 2. It's your day: It may be nearly impossible to avoid setting the date on someone else's birthday or anniversary, but as long as you don't mind sharing your big day with your Aunt Gertrude's 67th birthday, you should be in the clear.
- 3. Avoid holidays: These days come with higher booking fees. It may sound like a cute idea in theory, but nobody really wants to give up their New Year or Valentine's Day for a wedding.

Prince Harry Will Be Prince William's Best Man





As of Monday, Prince

Harry will officially be the best man at the wedding of the

year. Prince William and fiancée Kate Middleton have announced their wedding party and have each chosen their siblings to be best man and maid of honor. According to <u>People</u>, the rest of Middleton's bridal party will truly be a treat for everyone watching. Included are Lady Louise Windsor and Margarita Armstrong-Jones.

How do you decide who will be your best man/maid(en) of honor?

Cupid's Advice:

On one of the biggest days of your life, Cupid has some advice on how to choose who will be by your side every step of the way:

- 1. Family: Who can you trust more to guide you through your wedding than your own brother or sister? Your sibling is the usual and most classic choice for your best man/maid(en) of honor.
- 2. Someone who has always been there for you: If you have a friend or family member that you've always been able to count on, chances are that's the person who is going to come through for you on one of the most important days of your life.
- **3. Someone who has the time:** Your best man or maid(en) of honor needs to be there to assist you with every step of the wedding process. Make sure the person you choose has the time to make that big of a commitment.

Katy Perry Publicizes Wedding

Video at Grammy's





After keeping her

wedding details at top secret status leading up to the lavish ceremony in India, Katy Perry has shared some glimpses into her special day with the public. As she sang one of her popular songs, "Not Like the Movies" while sitting on a swing high above the Grammy's audience, her wedding video played in the background, reports <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Images of the ring exchange and kiss between her and now-husband Russell Brand were projected on a curtain directly behind the singer. Talk about a grand gesture!

What are the best keepsakes from a wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Whether it's you tying the knot or your best friend, you'll always want to remember the special day. Cupid has some tips on things you can keep from the wedding to do just that:

1. Wedding video: Take a cue from Katy Perry and have your

wedding recorded on video. If you ever want to relive the feeling you got on your big day, pop in the documentation and watch one of the happiest days of your life.

- 2. Photos: These are the next-best thing to a video. If you don't have time to sit through a play-by-play of your wedding festivities, take out your photo albums and thumb through the captured moments.
- **3. Playlist:** Sometimes the best way to remember a moment in time is by listening to the music associated with it. Make a playlist of all the songs that played at your wedding and crank it up when you want to remember your special day.

Brad Womack's Ex Says He Proposed to Her Numerous Times





Brad Womack is no

rookie when it comes to proposing. This season's eligible bachelor has, according to ex-girlfriend Laurel Kagay in an <code>UsMagazine.com</code> article, proposed to her countless times. Kagay said the most recent proposal was just weeks before he left to film this season's show. "Even when we weren't together, he would say how much he loved me and was going to marry me," she said. While filming, Kagay said Womack would send her emails. "I'm sure the girl he picked would want to know that he was proposing to another woman right before he started taping the show," she said. "I would want to know."

How do you know when your partner's heart is in the right place?

Cupid's Advice:

Probably one of the most frustrating parts of a relationship is when you and your partner have different ideas about where you're heading as a couple. Cupid has some ways to tell if you and your partner are on the same page:

1. There's intimacy: It's not all about sex. Ask yourself if you do things such as cuddle up to each other after a long day of work or hold hands in public. If not, you may want to look into why.

- 2. You say 'I love you' often: This is important to keep in mind, because if those words are rarely exchanged, there may be some distance between you and your partner.
- 3. They don't act distant: Pay attention to how your partner acts around you. If he or she tends to be caught up in problems or less attentive to what you say, you may want to do something about it before it takes a toll on your relationship and love.

Who Will Plan Prince William's Bachelor Party?





Even a prince needs

a bachelor party. But who will help plan the celebration for Prince William's last night of freedom before he weds Kate Middleton on April 29? <u>People</u> reports that Guy Pelly, 29, a

friend of Princes William and Harry for nearly two decades, will take on the daunting task. And Pelly, who recently opened the London nightclub Public, is the perfect man for the job, according to royal expert Katie Nicholl. "Guy is very much the life of the party, but he is also fiercely loyal and protective of the princes," Nicholl told the New York Times. "There is a lot of history there." For now, Pelly is keeping details about the party secret, although there are rumors that the bash could be in South Africa, where Pelly and the princes have raced motorcycles together.

What are some "out of the box" ideas for a bachelor or bachelorette party?

Cupid's Advice:

A bachelor or bachelorette party doesn't always have to consist of exotic dancers and lots of booze. Cupid has some unique ideas on how to celebrate the last night of being single:

- 1. On the road: Pile the bride or groom and a couple of close friends into a car and go wherever the road takes you. Or, surprise them by driving back to their hometown and reminiscing.
- 2. Try an adventure: Some might opt for something more physical, like adventure bachelor/bachelorette parties. After a whitewater rafting or mountain-climbing excursions, getting married will be a piece of cake.
- **3. For women only:** Chances are the bride-to-be is stressed out from planning the most important day of her life. So why not let her relax with a spa party for her and her bridesmaids? It'll help her look fresh for the wedding, too.

'Chuck' Star Sarah Lancaster Is Married and Pregnant





Actress Sarah

Lancaster is married and pregnant, reports <u>People</u>. Lancaster, who stars on NBC's <u>Chuck</u>, married her boyfriend of two years, attorney Matthew Jacobs, in a ceremony in Southern California on Saturday. "It's a really happy time in our lives," said the newlyweds. "We are thrilled to be starting a family and our wedding weekend was simply perfect." The nuptials were small, but included several heartfelt touches that made the ceremony unique. Lancaster wore her mother's pearl earrings and her grandmother's gold mesh bracelet, a wedding gift from her parents.

What are personal wedding touches you can incorporate?

Cupid's Advice:

Nearly all couples want to have a unique ceremony tailored to their own interests. Here are a few ways to include a few personal touches:

- 1. Personalized place cards: If you have a relatively small wedding, try personalizing the place cards. Instead of only writing 'Charlotte' or 'Steve', try adding a small note to the person, perhaps a description of your favorite memory together or something you admire about your guest.
- 2. Family heirlooms: Borrowing your mother's diamonds or your grandmother's hair clip make the wedding much more personal. The majority of your guests may not notice these touches, but the lack of attention doesn't make it any less special.
- **3. Music:** Instead of having the DJ or band perform generic songs, have songs from your childhood played. Older songs will make you and your guests laugh and reminisce.

Vanessa Minnillo and Nick Lachey Are Savoring Engagement





engaged, most couples practically race down the aisle like there's a finish line at the end. That's not the case for soon-to-be married couple Vanessa Minnillo and Nick Lachey. Minnillo, 30, and Lachey, 36, are savoring their engagement. According to *People*, the two were engaged in November and have been enjoying it ever since. "We're enjoying being engaged," Minnillo says. "Everyone rushes to the next step and I like this step. I'm in love and we're happy, so when it comes and it happens organically I will welcome it with open arms."

How long should you be engaged before marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Although most couples believe that sooner is better, Vanessa Minnillo and Nick Lachey are proof that taking the engagement process slow is very rewarding. Cupid has a few good things that can come out of waiting:

1. Growing comfortable: Being engaged really puts a relationship into perspective, and it's a great way to tell whether or not you're truly ready to commit to this person forever. Waiting will not only help you both become more comfortable and sure of your decision, but it can give you some time to ease into the transition from engagement to

marriage.

- 2. Making decisions: Taking your time with wedding arrangements will give you and your fiance not only more time to make your own decisions, but also to come together and find a common ground on your perfect wedding. The longer you wait, the less stressful the planning becomes!
- 3. Right time: Many couples make the mistake of getting married right away without thinking about the rest of their priorities. Give yourselves sometime to finish school, or wait until your jobs are less hectic before you request time off. Wedding stress becomes a lot less scary when it's the only thing you have to worry about.

Diane Kruger In Glamour: 'I Don't Believe In Marriage'





Diane Kruger has

learned her lesson when it comes to marriage: it isn't for everybody. The German actress, who was married to French actor and director Guillaume Canet for five years, told *Glamour* that once is enough for her. "Without sounding pessimistic, I learned that I don't believe in marriage. I believe in a commitment that you make in your heart. There's no paper that will make you stay." The *Huffington Post* reports that while Kruger may not want to walk down the aisle, she is looking forward to having kids one day with TV star and long-time boyfriend Joshua Jackson.

Is tying the knot actually necessary?

Cupid's Advice:

Some people need to say "I do" to make a commitment, while others believe it's unnecessary. Cupid has some tips on how to know if marriage is right for you:

- 1. Complete your fairy tale: If you've always dreamed about your wedding and starting a family with a spouse, then marriage is necessary for you. Go for it if you don't feel right not making it official.
- 2. Don't do it to please others: Get married for yourself. It may sound selfish, but if you're taking a walk down the aisle

because someone else wants you to, you'll regret it.

3. You don't need a piece of paper: Getting hitched is not required to make a life-long commitment. If committing "in your heart" is enough for you and your mate, then tying the knot isn't necessary.

Michael Bublé to Make Proper Home with Wife in England





Singing sensation

Michael Bublé may have found his dream home. According to *The Sun*, Bublé announced he plans to live in Surrey, England, with his bride-to-be Luisana Lopilato. The couple will wed in April, and Bublé says he wants his £3 million, or \$4.5 million Purley estate to be "a proper home," according to <u>Digital Spy</u>. A source elaborated, saying, "Michael's bought a really smart

house. He's getting married this year to Argentine actress Luisana Lopilato and hopes to spend six months a year here. He wants it to be a proper home."

What constitutes a 'proper home' for you and your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

The term "proper," although ambiguous in nature, can be resolved for both Buble and your future family. Cupid has some suggestions for you to keep in mind when its time to build your nest:

- 1. Keep it clean: A spotless home might be in order if you want to keep things proper for you and your family. An hour or two a week is all it takes to make your home dirt-free. Plus, your friends and family will enjoy visiting a lot more!
- 2. Keep things family-oriented: Be mindful of what is said between you and your partner, especially if kids are present. There's a Jamaican saying that goes, "monkey see monkey do." In order to keep your home "proper," adult issues should stay in a private room.
- 3. Keep the little things in mind: Remember that when you live with someone, the little things you do such as saying "I love you" and "thank you" are important. Plus, they keep a healthy and happy atmosphere in your now "proper" home.

Bride-to-Be Reese Witherspoon Focuses on Upcoming Wedding





Wedding bells are

ringing for Reese Witherspoon! After a divorce from her exhusband, Ryan Phillippe, the actress is now engaged to Hollywood agent, Jim Toth. In fact, she recently went wedding shopping in Paris with three of her girlfriends and a source says that she's thrilled about starting a new life with her fiancé. "He's a grown-up who's really ready to take the next step," says Witherspoon's friend. "He's a family-oriented guy, and that's all she ever wanted."

How do you know if your partner is family-oriented?

Cupid's Advice:

Now that you've fallen in love, you're ready to settle down. But how do you know your partner is family-oriented? Cupid has some telling signs:

1. Family time: Your future spouse has a close relationship with his or her family and enjoys spending quality time with yours.

- 2. Interactive: Does your fiancé like interacting with children? If so, this is an indication that your significant other more than likely has a soft spot for children and may want some of his or her own.
- **3. Children:** He or she has openly talked about having children and building a family with you.

Will Kelsey Grammer Beat His Daughter to the Altar?





Kelsey Grammer's

eldest daughter, Spencer Grammer, recently announced her engagement to longtime boyfriend James Hesketh, but will she have to pick out a dress for her dad's wedding before her own wedding dress? Kelsey plans on marrying girlfriend Kayte Williams in February, even though his divorce from his wife

Camille is not yet final. Thanks to California divorce law, if a judge agrees to "bifurate" the proceedings, he will be able to remarry while continuing to battle over the assets. According to RadarOnline, Spencer has yet to pick a date to walk down the aisle.

Why should you get married sooner rather than later?

Cupid's Advice:

Some couples spend years getting to know each other before walking down the aisle, while others wait only months. Cupid thought of a few situations where it's good to get married sooner rather than later:

- 1. If you're older: As the years go on, the dating rules change a bit. We're more comfortable with who we are and what we like. As we get older, the rest of our lives seem less intimidating! If you find true love later in life, don't waste any time!
- 2. If you're divorced: After being married once or twice, you know the ropes. So maybe you weren't with the right person, but now that you're alone it's difficult to be single again. If you find someone who makes you feel that puppy love you missed so much and you know what mistakes to avoid this time around, don't procrastinate with the "I do's!"
- 3. If you're widowed: Losing a spouse is incredibly painful. Lying in bed with nothing next to you, but an empty space will constantly remind you of the empty space left in your heart. If you're lucky enough to find someone that truly makes you happy, let him or her help fill those spaces right away.

Jennifer Love Hewitt Picks Out Three Wedding Rings





Jennifer Love Hewitt

is making it really easy for her boyfriend to propose by picking out three engagement rings for him to choose from. The 31-year-old actress has been dating Chicago actor and director Alex Beh for seven months, and things must be going well for the couple. Hewitt told Ellen Degeneres that she found the rings at Tiffany's, according to *People*. "I feel like I'm doing the guy a favor. I don't want to be upset if he picks a bad ring, so I feel like having three picked out and saying, 'Look! Look at this plethora of things you can choose from!'"

What are ways to make sure your groom-to-be picks out the right ring?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting engaged is exciting, but getting engaged with the right ring? Perfect. Cupid has some tips on how to make sure your mate proposes with the right rock:

- 1. Drop hints: If you want him to shop at a certain store, get him on the mailing list or rip out ads from the store and put them where he'll find them. He should get the hint eventually.
- 2. Use a celebrity example: Pick up a copy of *People* and point out a particular celebrity's engagement ring as beautiful. Giving him an idea of the style and design you want will help quide him when picking out a ring.
- 3. Have breakfast at Tiffany's: If you are really picky and know exactly the ring you want, tell your man that when he proposes, you'd love to be able to pick out the ring yourself. Being proposed to in Tiffany's with your choice of ring is also very romantic (see: Sweet Home Alabama).

George Clooney Says 'No' to Another Wedding





Will reporters ever

stop asking George Clooney if he's getting married? Probably not, and according to *People*, Piers Morgan had a shot at asking last week when Clooney appeared on his CNN show, *Piers Morgan Tonight*. "I hate to blow your whole news story, but I was married," Clooney told Morgan. Nick Clooney, George's father, appeared on the show with his son and used his own 51-year marriage to George's mom Nina as an example of why he should reconsider. However, George, who was wed to actress Talia Balsam from 1989 to 1993, believes once is enough. He added, "I've proven how good I was at it, and I just. ... I'm allowed one."

After divorce, should you give marriage another shot?

Cupid's Advice:

After a marriage dissolves, you may feel like you never want to get married again. Cupid has some ideas on whether to tie the knot a second time:

- 1. Second time's a charm: If you've found someone and want to get married again, why not walk down the aisle a second time? Just because it didn't work the first time doesn't mean it won't work the second time with the right person.
- 2. Don't blame marriage: So you never want to say "I do"

- again. But remember that the marriage ended because you were with the wrong person: you shouldn't blame the institution.
- **3. Marriage isn't for everyone:** If you feel like you're just not the marrying type, let any future partners know that while you're interested in commitment, you're just not willing to tie the knot.

Jason Mraz Won't Marry Until Gay Marriage is Legal





Singer Jason Mraz

may have proposed to his fiancée, Tristan Prettyman, in December, but he doesn't see a marriage in the new future, according to UsMagazine.com. At Elton John's Concert to Benefit the American Foundation for Equal Rights, Mraz explained the reason for his long engagement. "The wedding

would be nice for our family, our friends, our community — our moms especially — and so it puts us in the fight," said Mraz. "We can't get married until [gay] marriage is legal and equal...I think giving people the right to marry will be a huge movement in civil rights."

What are some reasons to prolong your engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

It's perfectly acceptable to delay your rush to the altar. If a too-soon marriage is causing strife, then consider a long engagement. Here are a few reasons to prolong your engagement:

- 1. Career issues: Planning a wedding is a lot of work. If you or your partner are facing a stressful time at work, then consider waiting for your careers to settle down before tying the knot.
- 2. Last minute details: In many relationships, especially long-distance relationships, there are many final details to work out. Living arrangements, career changes and relocation are only a few of the issues facing engaged couples.
- **3. Not being ready:** There's no room for second thoughts. If you're not sure you're prepared to make it official, there's no harm in waiting. You've already found 'the one,' so the pressure's off.

True Blood's Joe Manganiello

Will Invite Cast to Wedding





Joe Manganiello and

fiancé Audra Marie won't be leaving anyone out of their wedding festivities, including the entire cast of *True Blood*, according to *People*. Manganiello, who plays a werewolf on HBO's hit vampire series, is engaged to model/actress Audra Marie. After announcing his intentions to invite each *True Blood* cast member at the PGA Awards in Beverly Hills, he said, "I love them. They're like my family." He also credits the show for making the wedding proposal possible, as he used his first check as a series regular to purchase a ring for his lovely bride-to-be. With vampires and werewolves in the same room, this should be an interesting wedding.

Who should you invite to your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

The bride and groom are always faced with the burden and privilege of making a guest list for the big day. Since it

isn't always possible to invite everyone you know, it's necessary pick and choose. Keep these people in mind:

- 1. Family, and friends that are like family: Start with the people closest to you such as immediate family members and other people you care the most about.
- 2. People from work: You spend 40+ hours a week with your coworkers. Therefore, you should consider bringing them along for the ride. If inviting everyone from work is not in the budget, then just invite your boss. Who knows? They could have so much fun at the reception that it could lead to a promotion.
- **3. Parents' friends:** Friends of your parents have watched you grow up and would love to see you get married. Invite the select few that you remember seeing often as a child.

Jesse James and Kat Von D Are Engaged





It's wedding bells

for one of the most controversial couples in Hollywood: Jesse James and Kat Von D have announced their engagement. James and now ex-wife Sandra Bullock split in June after news of his multiple affairs surfaced. The motorcycle mogul, who began dating Kat Von D shortly after the divorce, professed his love for his fiancee to *People*. "You know sometimes the public and press gets it wrong. This is one of those times. 2010 was actually the best year of my life because I fell in love with my best friend. An amazing woman who stood behind me when the world turned their backs."

How do you know when someone is truly committed?

Cupid's Advice:

It can be tough to tell if the person you're dating is planning on being in the relationship for the long haul. Cupid has some ideas and how to tell if he's truly committed:

- 1. There for you: When the going gets tough, and your partner stands by you in a time of crisis, it's safe to say he's not a flight risk.
- 2. All about PDA: If your mate isn't afraid to sing your praises in front of anyone and everyone, it's more than likely true love.

3. Don't care what people think: When it comes to your relationship, sometimes there will be naysayers. If your partner doesn't seem to care about the critics, he's there for the count.

Rick Fox and Eliza Dushku Discuss a Future Marriage





Dancing With the

Stars alum and former NBA star Rick Fox admits that he too may soon be joining the ranks of the newly engaged this winter season. Fox, 41, recently told *UsMagazine.com* that he and partner Eliza Dushku, 30, are thinking about getting married. "I hear [wedding bells] now," explained Fox. "We've been honest about that conversation, and we've had it." However, the basketball star-turned-actor still has some reservations concerning marriage. "I've failed in marriage before, and this

will be her first marriage....so we want to make sure the foundation is laid in a responsible way where communication is had about what she wants from life as a woman — whether she wants to have kids or go back to school — whatever she wants to do."

What are some things to consider before getting married?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting married is one of the most life-changing decisions you can ever make, and before you jump into such a huge commitment it's important to think about every aspect of your relationship. Here are just a few things to consider:

- 1. Similar goals: Be sure that you and your partner both wish for the same things in life, like children and a house by the beach. If you have different goals, then you'll never be able to fully cooperate.
- 2. Your feelings: Ask yourself if your current partner is "the one." Make sure that your feelings are the deepest you've ever felt, and that you feel confident and happy in your decision to spend the rest of your life with that person.
- **3. Readiness:** Make sure that both you and your partner are at peace with all of your past relationships. Feeling jaded or torn up over a previous breakup will only hurt your chances of making your current relationship work.

'Black Swan' Actress Natalie Portman Prefers a Friend with Benefits





While Natalie

Portman still hasn't publicly spoken about her new fiance (and new baby bump), People reports that she recently opened up about what she wants in a partner in the new issue of InStyle. "I look for all the same things I would in a friend... Obviously, you need the sexual attraction, too, so it's like your best friend who you are also really attracted to." Portman is engaged to French choreographer and actor Benjamin Millepied, who she met on the set of her new movie Black Swan. The two are expecting their first child later this year.

How important is it to be best friends with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Plenty of romantic relationships blossom out of friendships. Cupid has some ideas on why your significant other should also be your best friend:

- 1. Get to know each other better: Friends often get to know each other on a deeper level than lovers do, because there's no pressure. Being best friends with your mate will make your relationship even more intimate.
- 2. Build a foundation of friendship: When the honeymoon phase is over and the romance wears off, you still have your best friend. Physical attraction is important, but if you want to grow old with your partner, make sure you're friends first.
- 3. Keep your other friends: While it's important that you and your significant other are friends, make sure he's not your only one. It's important to have a social life outside of your partner.

'The Bachelorette' Star Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez to Wed in 2011





When it comes to Ali

Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez's relationship, what *Bachelorette* host Chris Harrison loves the most, "is that they're living their lives." According to *People*, Fedotowsky recently began a gig as a correspondent for the local Fox station in San Diego. Her groom-to-be has opened a new office for his insurance business as well. Friend and former *Bachelorette* bachelor Kiptyn Locke suggested, "It's important to be away for a while and get to know each other so then when you go do those things, it's all real." With things going so well, it doesn't seem that a 2011 wedding will surprise anyone.

What should you know about your partner before getting married?

Cupid's Advice:

While you might feel that you know everything there is to know about your partner, it doesn't hurt to ask a few additional questions. Cupid's got three topics to discuss before tying the knot:

1. Skeletons in the closet: Nicole Kidman had to deal with Keith Urban's addictions early on in their marriage. Having a past isn't something to be ashamed of, so ask your partner to

be honest with you.

- 2. Finances: While commercials for freecreditscore.com might sing about extreme financial sorrows, they aren't kidding! No one enjoys talking about their financial situation, but rather than let this become an obstacle after you've walked down the aisle, get it over with now.
- **3. Home sweet home:** If you or your partner are currently living separately, discuss where you plan to live after getting married. Jobs, family and the economy can affect possible locations your partner will consider living.

Pregnant Natalie Portman Gives Tearful Tribute to New Fiance





Black Swan actress

Natalie Portman appeared to having nothing, but love to express for her fiancé, dancer/choreographer Benjamin Millepied, while accepting the Desert Palm Achievement Award at the Palm Springs International Film Festival. Portman and Millepied met while filming Black Swan, reports UsMagazine.com. "[The filming] was seductive to watch...there was no way the attraction could be missed," said an insider. Portman is now three months pregnant with Millepied's child. While on stage, the actress thanked the man who "...partnered me in the movie and who now partners me in life."

What are some ways to thank your partner for being there for you?

Cupid's Advice:

You may not get a chance to express your love toward your partner all that frequently, but every once in a while it's important to convey your gratitude. Here are a few little ways to show you care:

1. Write a note: Try writing a heartfelt message on a scrap of paper, and then stick the note into your partner's briefcase or bag. This little action is sure to brighten his day at work.

- 2. Put effort into dinner: Spend an afternoon in the kitchen and prepare your partner's favorite meal, complete with a setting at the dining room table. If cooking's not your thing, then get some of his favorite takeout and make a joke out of eating it on your finest dinnerware.
- **3. Use your TiVo:** Go through the TV listings and record his favorite shows or sports games that to which he's looking forward. When he has time to relax, he'll be pleasantly surprised!

Did Reese Witherspoon and LeAnn Rimes' Men Pay for their Rings?





With new celebrity

engagements comes speculation over the rings. The debate gets heated when A-listers pair with relatively unknown individuals because people question how the future groom can afford his bride's massive diamond. Jeweler Johnny Brookheart explained to E! Online how men like Jim Toth and Eddie Cibrian purchase rings for their fiancées (Reese Witherspoon and LeAnn Rimes, respectively). Brookheart explained, "For celebrity clients I typically ask for half the value down and generously finance the rest for a long term....We keep a team of experts on retainer who can help us value and collateralize almost everything under the sun. Houses, horses, art, watches, etc. We'll either help them secure a loan with their assets, or we may just make a trade." If further financial help is needed, Brookheart explains that his jewelers present the grooms with discounts, though the generosity of the discount is measured by "... how willing the star is to assist in crediting the jeweler after the proposal...It's always a negotiation, but this is where being A-list really pays off."

What do you do if your partner can't afford a nice engagement ring?

Cupid's Advice:

While it's always nice to receive a pleasant shock when coming face -to-face with a giant diamond ring for the first time, this expectation is not always realistic. If your partner can't afford a nice engagement ring, here are some options:

- 1. Pay together: Try splitting the cost of the ring to make the burden easier on the both of you. This way, you'll be able to get the ring you really want without making your partner worry.
- 2. Get a temporary ring: Try wearing a thin golden band instead of a diamond ring. When a time comes when you and your partner are both more financially capable, then buy a bigger engagement ring. Plus, then you'll have two rings with

sentimental value!

3. Go without a ring: There is not a law requiring engagement rings. If you have your heart set on a diamond, then buy a more affordable necklace or bracelet. If you don't care for jewelry, celebrate by going on a small vacation, or save the money for the future.

Valerie Bertinelli Marries Boyfriend of 7 Years, Tom Vitale





Valeri Bertinelli is

hitched! The actress married her boyfriend of seven years,

Tom Vitale, on New Year's Day at their home in Malibu, *People* reports. "We're so happy!" said Bertinelli. There were approximately 100 guests at the wedding, including Bertinelli's son Wolfie from her previous marriage to Eddie Van Halen, who also attended.

Should you invite your ex to your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Now that you've accepted your fiancé's proposal for marriage and are making your wedding guest list, it's time to decide whether to invite your ex to the big day. Cupid has some things to consider:

- 1. What your fiancé thinks: Will your spouse-to-be feel comfortable with having your ex present at the wedding? If your ex-partner is a stranger to your future spouse or they aren't friends, it's better to leave him off the list.
- 2. Your friendship: How has your relationship with your ex been since you broke up? If you're on good terms and harbor no lingering feelings, consider inviting him to your wedding, only after consulting with your fiancé.
- **3. Ulterior motives:** If your only reason for inviting your ex is so that he can wish you and your spouse-to-be the very best in life, it's probably not a good enough reason.

Jason Mraz Discusses Why Fiancee Tristan Prettyman is "The One"





Singer Jason Mraz is

sure his fiancée, Tristan Prettyman is "The One." UsMagazine.com reports that Mraz's certainty stems from his devotion to the number 23. "[Prettyman and I] hit it off instantly by syncing our interest in this magical prime number," said Mraz on his blog. "Whenever she or I come upon it, whether being sat at table 23, or assigned seat 23 on a plane, we almost-always and/or involuntarily think about the other." In fact, Mraz proposed on the magical 23rd of December. "We both see this being a long engagement, but would love to get married within the next 2.3 years," said Mraz. "She will likely retain her beautiful name, but should she decide to hyphenate, Tristan Ann Prettyman-Mraz makes 23 letters."

What are signs that your partner is "The One"?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes it's hard to tell if your partner has the potential to be "The One." Here are a few signs:

- 1. He supports you: A supportive partner will most likely be amenable to any changes your career throws at you, like sudden moves or a change in salary. Support is necessary if you and your partner are going to provide for each other both emotionally and financially.
- 2. You have the same goals: You and your significant other need to be confident in your future together. If you both wish for kids or want a small house by the beach, then you'll find that making decisions in the future will be relatively painless.
- **3. Your instinct:** You can do all of the analyzing you want, but eventually what it comes down to is how you feel about your partner. You may not see fireworks or flashes of light across the sky, but at the very least, a small part of you will "just know."

Reese Witherspoon and Jim Toth Are Engaged





Reese Witherspoon

will soon be walking down the aisle once again, this time with Hollywood agent Jim Toth. The actress, 34, and Toth, 40, began dating in January 2010. This will be Witherspoon's second time down the aisle; her first marriage to actor Ryan Phillippe ended in 2008. Witherspoon and Phillippe have two children together, Ava, 11, and Deacon, 7. An insider revealed that Witherspoon's children have bonded with Toth and "...are happy with [Toth]." The source assured UsMagazine.com, "[Reese] is definitely happy, in love and definitely wants to settle down."

What are things to consider about a second marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

When your first marriage doesn't work out, it's understandable to want to give married life another shot. Here are a few things to consider about a second marriage:

- 1. Children: If you have any children from your first marriage, make sure they are fond of your new partner. Your children need to have a say in deciding who their next family member will be.
- 2. Child/Spousal support: Before walking down the aisle, make sure you have taken care of all of the monetary concerns.

Review the child or spousal support you are receiving from (or giving to) your ex-husband, and be aware of any changes that will occur.

3. First marriage's failure: Take some time to reflect on your first marriage, and figure out why it failed. By analyzing your mistakes, you can go into your second marriage with a stronger understanding of what it takes to make a marriage work.