

'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 4: Pucker Up! Lessons Learned from Emily Maynard



By

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Well, I think we found Doug's imperfection: he has a vagina. "I never make the first move." Come on, Dougy! No wonder you have not been kissed in months. Don't you know women rarely make the first move? They should, but that would be unladylike.

This issue kept popping up over and over again in last night's episode of 'The Bachelorette,' and I could tell Emily was getting frustrated with the guys. Doug turned bright red, and you could see him internally fighting the urge to kiss her, trying to respect his self-imposed rules. And then, there was

the young, skateboarder Jef. This was the second time he had her on the beach and he didn't lean in for a kiss. Instead, he opted to cut their time together short. Obviously, Emily felt rejected because these guys wouldn't just go for it.

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As a woman who has worked with thousands of men and helped them learn how to attract, date and be with the women of their dreams, I know how high-pressured and challenging making that first move can be. Just like us ladies, men don't want to get rejected and they don't want to be jerks. One of my clients said to me, "I'm not sure how to balance being a respectful gentleman and being aggressive sexually. I know women want both, but it doesn't feel right to push myself on a woman." This fear is pretty common. Especially in *good* men.

I know Emily was doing her best to help the guys out by giving them "kiss me" signals, but sometimes, these signs were a little too subtle for men to pick up. If she were one of the boys on 'The Bachelor' she would have seen the signs instantly, but men are different. Ladies, you have to step it up a notch and help men understand when you're ready and want a kiss.

I have put together a list of not-so-subtle things you can do to maintain your dignity and *still* let your date know that you want to be kissed:

Not-So-Subtle Signal #1: Touch a man. My sister-in-law called me a few weeks ago from the bathroom while on a date. She said, "Marni, you gotta help me. My date won't stop talking. I really like him, but he won't stop. What do I do?" I told her that he is probably nervous or worried about having awkward silence. I recommended that she go back to the table, and while he is talking, put her hand softly on his forearm, making eye contact and smiling. She called me after the date

and told me that my advice worked. They are now a couple!

Not-So-Subtle Signal #2: Open up. Many women stop themselves from being kissed because of their body language: arms crossed, lips pursed, not talking a lot. I understand that this behavior can be caused by nerves, but imagine how that appears to a man sitting across the table from you. He's not a mind reader. So show him you are open to being kissed by uncrossing your arms, making eye contact, smiling and leaning towards him. If you are nervous, announce the elephant in the room and just tell him how you feel.

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Not-So-Subtle Signal #3: Step into his space and tell him what you're thinking. I know we all dream of a strong man assertively grabbing and kissing us, but with really good guys, that is rarely going to happen, especially in the beginning of the relationship. At the end of the night, if you want a kiss, step in close to him and rub his upper arm. Flutter your eyelashes and lick your lips; tell him that you like him and want to get to know him better. This approach takes out all the guesswork for a guy. With this move, you have stroked his ego. He knows he won you over, and now, he can make his move.

Not-So-Subtle Signal #4: Truthfully, this one is not so obvious, but you should give it a try: tell him you want to kiss him. Say it in a feminine, soft tone, and you'll still feel like the woman in the scenario. He'll probably be nervous, but he'll make it happen for sure.

To make it easier on the lovely men you date, follow these guidelines, and I guarantee you will leave feeling more fulfilled and less frustrated after a date. Instead, you'll be in the afterglow of the first kiss. Let's hope Emily starts to use these tips as well!

'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 3: The Dos and Don'ts of Dating A Single Mom



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Now, I am not a single mom or even a mother for that matter, but during last night's episode of 'The Bachelorette,' I got a good sense of how it may feel. I had no idea just how much parents put their children before them. It was beautiful.

I really believe that this season is no joke. They are getting down right serious. If this keeps up, Emily Maynard will come out of this experience with a good, solid man and a great

relationship. How do I know that? Because this season has one thing that has been lacking from every other season: reality!

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Last night's episode was kind of like a roller coaster for me. One second, I was falling head over heels for guys like Sean, Doug and Arie. The next second, I was ready to punch the screen and throw up. Like when Ryan basically said to Emily, "I won't do you if you become a fatty." I get what he was trying to say, but that man does not know how to sensitively deliver a message and communicate with women. Not a good sign if he wants to be a father to Emily's daughter. He would give the kid an eating disorder in less than a year. Hello, Dating Red Flag!!!

Lucky for Emily, there were numerous men who showed their true colors last night and made those flags very easy for her to spot and eliminate.

Here are my Do's and Don'ts of Dating A Single Mom based on what I learned last night:

Do: Show a single mom that you know how to comfort and take care of another person. For this reason alone, I freaking love Arie. On his date, he checked in with her, touched her, asked her questions. Then, at the Rose Ceremony, he could sense that something had gone wrong, and he pulled her in close to comfort her. That shows leadership, strength and warmth. A great combination for success with any woman, especially when dating a single mom.

Do Not: Wait for a woman, especially a single mother, to bring up "the talk" if you're not feeling it. Like Tony, the single dad who was emotionally breaking down. It was hard for me to watch; I kept thinking, "If you really felt a connection with her, you would push through because that would be the best thing for you AND your son." I could tell that he just wasn't

feeling it, which is why he was latching on so tightly to his son. Sweet but not attractive. He was afraid to admit “defeat.” Better to be honest with yourself rather than hurt a single mom when so much is at stake.

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Do: Calmly express what you are thinking and picturing to a woman, while touching her at the same time. I love when Sean sat down with her, touched her forearm and communicated how a life with him would look. SEEEEXY!!! He did such a great job telling her who he was, what he was ready for and who he hoped to be for Emily.

Do Not: Tell a single mother that falling in love with her and gaining a child is a huge compromise. When Alessandro said that to her, I could feel my chest tightening up. The nerve of that man! Not to mention that he honestly seemed like a buffoon while he was talking to her. He wasn't like that last week, was he? Buddy, leave at week one if the girl's not right for you. No one should ever feel they are compromising BEFORE they get into a relationship.

Can't wait to see what happens next week! Hopefully, Ryan and Kalon will show more of their true colors, and Emily will learn that these guys are NOT father material.

‘Bachelorette’ Emily Maynard Discusses Sending Home Joe



Season 8's *Bachelorette* Emily Maynard recently talked about her tough decision to send home hopeful bachelor, Joe, in her blog for [People](#). Maynard discussed her date with Joe, mentioning how fun of a time she had with him. However, she said, "I knew that we were just in different place in our lives." So, even though she had a blast with fun-loving bachelor, she knew they weren't a good match and let him go.

How do you know when to cut ties early in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

1. Know both of your intentions: If one of you is just looking for someone to go on dates with and simply keep them company and the other wants marriage, that's an issue that needs to be addressed immediately. Like Emily Maynard, you have to recognize when the person you're dating is in a different place in their life than you. You can't keep a relationship going if the two of you have battling goals.

2. Don't make the same mistake twice: If you notice something that your new lover does that ruined your relationship, talk to them and see if this is a problem that can be fixed. If not, it might be time to cut your losses. There's nothing worse than repeating a bad relationship.

3. Accept that not everyone is your perfect match: Too many people cling to a relationship even when it isn't working just for the sake of "seeing how things play out." If it isn't working now, chances are it won't work in the long run. Why waste your time?

How do you know when it's time to cut your losses on a new relationship? Share your stories in the comments below.

'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 2: Soccer, Cookies, and Muppets: Emily Maynard Keeps it Real





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Has reality TV suddenly gone real? This season of the Bachelorette is actually shocking me because it's *real* (or as real as reality can get). They're in Emily's hometown. She's living in her own home with her daughter. Friends and family surround her while she seeks romance. Looks pretty real to me. We can only hope that the bachelors match up to that sentiment.

Every time the show wants to veer into la la land, it immediately gets brought back to reality, with Emily. Her life is real and the decisions she makes will not only reflect her, but also her 6-year-old daughter. Things like this completely changes the game for her and the guys on the show.

As dynamic as a date can get, there is huge reality reminder right in front of every guy, at all times. Emily is a mother, and the winner will end his experience with a new wife and child. That should definitely weed out the competition hungry contestants vs. the sincere men who are there for the girl.

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I'm loving how assertive and hard hitting Emily has been right off that bat. For her it's essential. But is it reality?

I work with hundreds of thousands of guys all over the world. I tell them how to attract, date and get any woman they want. My first date advice to them is always "keep it light" but keep your eyes open and don't avoid red flags because she's pretty.

When the show ended I turned to my husband and said, do you think those questions would fly in the real world? His first response was "hell no". Then he thought for a second and said, there are some people that are just really comfortable putting it all out there because it's important to them. When you have a kid involved, that intensity is already increased for you. If you're with a guy who can't handle a little serious conversation on the first date, then he's probably not the guy for you. I think it's totally acceptable to get real on a first date as long as you don't let your emotions carry you away.

For Emily, dating is about finding a partner in life not a tennis partner for a match this weekend. In real life, you are free to bring up anything that you want on a first date, second, third, twentieth. But you want to make sure you are bringing it up the right way and for the right reason.

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In open conversation there is no room to get emotional i.e. defensive, angry, moody, aggressive. Open conversation, is meant to be handled exactly as it was shown on last night's episode. Over a candle light dinner in a beautiful mansion ☐ Kidding. Open conversation, whether it's on the first date or the hundredth, is about expressing what you think and feel and then listening to what the other person has to say.

Do: Feel comfortable to talk about real things to pertain to

you and your life. Talk openly and honestly with tact

Don't: Throw up your emotions and insecurities all over your date

Do: Listen to your date's views/opinions even if they don't reflect your own

Don't: Let your ego dictate your responses. No ego's allowed at the mature conversation table.

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So far, Emily is far exceeding my expectations. She is in this for love and family. I'm really hoping she finds her match in that garden of fine men and will be smart enough to pull out the weeds as quickly as possible.

'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 1: The Dos and Don'ts of First Impressions





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This season of The Bachelorette kicked off last night with a bang. And by bang, I mean the noise that would resonate off all the contestants' abs if you gave them a pat on their bellies. Is it just me, or are these guys extra ripped this year? Last night was all about First Impressions and, as we all know, they can be tough. Join that high pressure with tight competition, cameras and millions of viewers watching and judging. Not an easy stroll on your way to a televised romance.

Some of the guys pulled off their initial encounters with ease and style. Others simply fell flat on their face.

Here is my list of do's and don'ts from last night's episode of the Bachelorette:

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Do: Try to connect on points of commonality, like First Impression rose winner Chris did. But if you try too hard to find common grounds it will feel fake. At first, I was not sure how genuine Doug was with his "point of connection." But

all doubts dissipated when Emily read his 11-year-old son's letter. From the look on his face, you could tell it was sincere. The guy was beaming from ear to ear. Only a truly proud father would do that.

Do Not: Sweat profusely. There was one guy who, within seconds, was dripping all over poor Emily's beautiful dress. I feel like such a *biatch* for saying this, but I could not hear a word he was saying to her because I kept concentrating on his sweaty forehead.

Do: Find something eye catching and cute that fits your personality. Loved the grandmother bit but he couldn't hold it after his protective "mask" came off. Mr. Seemingly-Outgoing-and-Fun quickly became Mr. Nervous-and-Silent.

-Skateboarder (Jeff) – Check.

-Prince Charming with the shoe (Tony) – Check.

-Guitar Pick (Michael) – Check.

-Foreign Language (Alejandro) – Double Check.

-Ostrich Egg (Travis) – Could have worked, but flopped and then he was stuck with an egg all night. Half Check.

-Bouncy Boom Box Guy (Stevie) – **NO**.

-Cheesy Poetry said with no sincerity (Jackson) – **EWWW**.

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Do: Bring your chopper. I know it's a douche move – if, in fact, you are a douche is another story. This is a game and the game is all about standing out and catching Emily's attention. What better way to do it than arriving via chopper?

Do Not: Be *that* guy who sits and stewes about what other guys are doing right and wrong. Nothing screams "insecurity" more than judgment of others. If you're judging others that

crucially, I can't imagine what you are doing to yourself. So calm down, rooster man.

Do: Have impeccable body language and tonality. There were a couple of guys who knew exactly how to be open and own their space when making an entrance. Head high, calm walk, shoulders back and a smirk. Heavenly. And if you can add in an adorable little routine involving a note saying how nervous you are, to show your balance of masculinity and sensitivity, you are golden. (A.K.A. Ryan, who I love! His hair's a mess... but that can be worked on.)

All in all, I think Emily has a good batch of dudes to choose from. I know I'll be glued to my television every Monday night to find out what happens.

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Ali Fedotowsky Says Emily Maynard "Deserves to Find

Love” on ‘The Bachelorette’



Having previously starred on *The Bachelorette*, former contestant Ali Fedotowsky knows what it takes when it comes to finding love. Although she and her love match, Roberto Martinez, recently called it quits, Fedotowsky is hoping that the new leading lady of *The Bachelorette*, Emily Maynard, will have a better shot. “Emily is amazing! She’s such a sweetheart,” Fedotowsky told UsMagazine.com. “If anyone deserves to find love, it’s her.” Fans were first introduced to Maynard on Brad Womak’s season of *The Bachelor* when she fell for the bar owner, however, Fedotowsky believes viewers can expect something different this season. “Emily told me she likes guys with tattoos, so we’ll see what kind of guys she has on this season,” Fedotowsky said. “It should be interesting, I’m psyched.”

When you have many suitors, how do you choose which one to date?

Cupid's Advice:

In many situations, having options can be a good thing. However, when it comes to your love life, this can become a bit stressful, especially when you have a few great choices to settle on. So what do you do when you're faced with such a difficult decision? Here are some ways to help pare down your list of potential lovers:

1. Personality: This is one of the most important factors to consider when getting to know your list of suitors. Do you have a blast when you're with them? Are they charismatic? If so, this person sounds like a winner.

2. Meet the parents: Mama knows best and so does dad; usually they can be spot on when it comes to knowing the right fit for their son or daughter. If your hopeful mate can get along well with your family and they adore them, this makes it even easier to seal the deal.

3. Genuine only: You may not be able to easily be yourself around everyone, but when you find that one person who you can completely let your wall down with and they can do the same when they're with you, you may have found "the one."

How do you know how to choose the right person when you're dating? Share your comments below.

Emily Maynard is 'Scared to Death' to Date on TV Again



When Emily Maynard and *The Bachelor's*, Brad Womack, ended their engagement, she had absolutely no intention of being the star of the next season of *The Bachelorette*. But, next month, that's exactly what she'll be doing. "I had no intentions of ever being the next Bachelorette. I genuinely meant that," said Maynard. "I feel like the biggest hypocrite because I said that, and now I'm doing it." According to [People](#), though she knows dating on TV can work, she admits to being scared about diving into the reality TV dating pool once again. The blonde beauty also admits that it's difficult to date as a single mom. The show will be filmed in Charlotte, North Carolina, where Maynard is raising her 6-year-old daughter as well as in other locations.

How do you get over the fear to date again after a failed relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

After a failed relationship, it's okay to take some time off dating. But, when you fall down, you need to get back up again. Cupid has some advice:

1. Go out with friends: You don't need to actually go on a date to put yourself out there in a social situation. Go out on the town and socialize.

2. Try online dating: With so many relationships beginning online these days, it never hurts to look. Plus, there's no doubt that it's convenient. You can filter by the qualities you do and don't like before the first date!

3. Reward yourself: Give yourself small rewards for taking steps to get back into the dating scene. It can certainly be easier said than done.

What are some ways to put yourself out there in order to get back into the dating scene? Share your thoughts below.

Hollywood Couple Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum Celebrate with Holiday Traditions





Hollywood couple Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum are celebrating both Christmas and Hanukkuh during their first holiday season together after recently getting engaged on the reality TV show *The Bachelorette*. As Rosenbaum told [People](#), “We have been celebrating the first few nights of Hanukkuh. We lit some candles.” Rosenbaum also introduced his celebrity love to the Jewish tradition of having Chinese food. The happy Hollywood couple spent Christmas in Maine with Hebert’s family eating and singing holiday carols.

Although this Hollywood couple had different holiday traditions, they still celebrated with each other. How do you adapt to your partner’s family traditions?

Cupid’s Advice:

When you start a new relationship and love, you and your partner may have so different traditions – and that’s okay!

One of the fun things about being in a partnership is learning new things. Here is some relationship advice on how to celebrate your love's traditions:

1. Participate: You may not understand your partner's traditions or religion, but don't be a Scrooge. For the sake of your relationship and love, give their family a chance and try it out. Ask for ideas about what to make or bring over. You'll enjoy the festivities even more if you contribute!

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2. Educate: If you're feeling uncomfortable and don't know what to expect from your partner's family, the best way to learn about Hanukkuh or the Italian 'Feast of the Seven Fishes' is to research the tradition before you go. It won't make you a pro, but it will surely give you some background and make you feel more comfortable.

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3. Ask questions: Show interest by asking questions about certain activities, prayers, or food. Most people love to talk about family traditions and how they got started. Being inquisitive fills the evening with nostalgia and shows how much you care.

What's your favorite holiday tradition? Share it with us in the comments below.

Ashley Hebert and J.P.

Rosenbaum Have No Celebrity Wedding Plans Yet



The *Bachelorette* couple Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum, who got engaged last August during the reality TV show's finale, won't be saying their "I do's" anytime soon. The famous couple told UsMagazine.com that they haven't set a date for their celebrity wedding yet. Hebert is waiting to finish up school before tying the knot. The former *Bachelorette* star said that she and Rosenbaum are "looking forward to building our lives together. We really are best friends, [so] just being together is a lot to look forward to." Rosenbaum said that they "want to wait for the right time" before walking down the aisle.

Hebert and Rosenbaum are taking

their time when it comes to picking a celebrity wedding date. What are the advantages of a long engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

Take a cue from this famous couple and know that there's nothing wrong with a long engagement! In fact, there are plenty of benefits to taking some time before you tie the knot. Cupid has a few reasons why:

1. Less stress: Getting married soon after your engagement means you have to plan an entire wedding – and fast. Take your time and enjoy planning out this special day in your relationship and love.

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2. Take your pick: With your extra time, you can be sure that you book the ideal locations for your wedding and reception. You can also gather all the ideal decorations to throw the perfect party!

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3. No doubts: While you and your fiancé spend some more time together as a soon-to-be-married couple, you'll have time to make sure they're the person you want to spend the rest of your life with.

Why did you like having a longer engagement? Share your comments below.

Ali Fedotowsky Explains Why She Left Roberto Martinez



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now you've heard that another *Bachelorette* and her fiancé have called it quits. That couple, of course, is Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez. Although Fedotowsky was seemingly ready to wed right after the show aired, after an 18-month engagement and three postponements, it all finally ended on November 21. The former bride-to-be had this to say to [People](#): "I wouldn't be being truthful if I said this came out of nowhere, we definitely had been having problems. But I had always believed that we could work it out." The duo tried to make the relationship last, even throughout their arguments. "We both realized we were unhappy more than we were happy, and we both deserved more."

How do you know when you're unhappy more than happy in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

It doesn't take a scientist to tell us that relationships are hard work, but how do you know when the work and unhappiness outweigh the good times? Cupid has some tips:

1. Bickering and fighting: This is a tell tale sign that a relationship just isn't working. It's okay to have a few fights here and there (it can even be healthy), but if you're bickering over tiny things all the time, it's safe to assume something is wrong.

2. Not spending time together: When you're in a healthy, loving relationship you should be spending a fair amount of time together. If you routinely try to avoid one another, it may be time to re-evaluate.

3. Your relationship is stagnant: If it feels like you're at a stand still in your relationship, take a closer look. You may be dealing with thoughts that there's no point to your relationship or you can't deal with the constant arguing anymore. If you come to the conclusion that you both want more and that can't happen together, then it's time to call it quits.

How do you know when unhappiness in a relationship outweighs happiness? Share your thoughts below.

Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez Call Off Wedding



Sadly, Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez have called off their engagement. The couple, who met on *The Bachelorette* decided on a long engagement, which ultimately did not work out for the pair, according to [The Huffington Post](#). The duo was supposed to get married this year, but Fedotowsky was recovering from knee surgery and had to postpone the wedding. They ended up calling off the wedding three times before the relationship ended. In August, Fedotowsky told *People* magazine, "In my mind, Roberto is my husband. We live together; we do everything together; we plan for the future together; we fight just like a good old married couple." It looks like it's another case of love lost in *The Bachelor* community.

How do you know when it's time to call off your engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

Ending an engagement is one of the hardest things for a couple to do. Marriage is a big step, and it's not meant to be taken lightly. If you're feeling unsure about saying those vows, proceed with caution. Cupid has some tips:

1. Take a step back: A break from one another can give you a new perspective. You might end up appreciating each other much more, and realize that you are meant to be together. It could also go the other way, and you'll realize you are much better apart.

2. Assess the situation: If it feels like you're just not on the same page anymore and your partner is headed in one direction while you are going the other way, it may be time to call it quits. Unless you can somehow focus and anchor your relationship, there's no point in staying in it.

3. Nothing is the same: Maybe you and your partner have just outgrown one another. This happens frequently, and as heartbreaking as it may be, don't stay in a relationship that you know won't work anymore.

**How did you know when it was time to call off your engagement?
Share your experiences below.**

**'Bachelorette' Winner J.P.
Rosenbaum Loves Ashley
Hebert's Dog Boo**



At the end of the seventh season of the reality TV show *The Bachelorette*, [Ashley Hebert](#) chose [J.P. Rosenbaum](#) and accepted his heartfelt marriage proposal. Now that the [celebrity couple](#) is preparing to walk down the aisle, Rosenbaum has one last family member to win over: Hebert's pet yorkie, Boo. After they met for the first time earlier this month, the pint-sized puppy got better acquainted with Rosenbaum and the two seemed to be well on their way to a great relationship. "They're good. They will be best friends," the former *Bachelorette* told [People](#). With plans to relocate Boo to the Big Apple as soon as possible, Hebert is excitedly basking in what seems to be the start of her celebrity love story.

***Bachelorette* winner Rosenbaum gets along fine with Hebert's pet, Boo.**

What do you do if you *don't* get along with your partner's pet?

Cupid's Advice:

Introducing your new partner to your pet can be a big step in your relationship and love. Pets can sense emotions like fear and anger, so you need to be sure to relax and enjoy yourself. Here are some tips to consider when your love meets your pet:

1. Go on a date that includes the pet: It doesn't have to be anywhere fancy. A nice picnic at the park along with a few games of fetch is a perfect example. Pack some sandwiches for you and some treats for your furry friend!

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2. Spend a little one-on-one time with them: Just like people, pets need uninterrupted attention as well. Offer to take them on a walk for 15 to 20 minutes so they can get used to you without your partner present.

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3. Bring them treats: No pet can resist the temptation of a new play toy or a delectable treat. A few of these will have them happy to see you in no time.

How did you get your partner's pet to like you? Share your experiences below.

The Reason 'Bachelorette' Ali Fedotowsky Delayed Her Nuptials to Roberto Martinez



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Fedotowsky is happy with her recent decision to delay her wedding to Roberto Martinez. According to UsMagazine.com, the couple was engaged in May of 2010 and one of the main reasons for putting off the nuptials was that her knee surgery in July, which made Fedotowsky unable to hit the gym. She wants to get in some good gym time before the big day ... and she'd also like to walk (instead of hobble) down the aisle. Though the couple aren't in a rush to get married, there could perhaps be a wedding next summer.

What are some good reasons to put off your wedding for the time being?

Cupid's Advice:

In our society, people often feel pressured to get married quickly, but that isn't always the best course of action. Here are some good reasons to postpone your wedding:

1. You're not ready: If you're really having doubts that go beyond cold feet, it's okay to wait to get married. Being absolutely sure is the most important thing.

2. The kids: If you have young children that don't fully understand what is going on and what the changes in your life mean for them, you might want to wait a little longer.

3. Money issues: If you find that you can't afford your original plans, which is very common in this economy, take a step back and regroup.

What are some other reasons to put off a wedding? Share your thoughts below.

'Bachelorette' Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum Celebrate Celebrity Engagement in NYC





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congratulations is in order for *Bachelorette* star [Ashley Hebert](#) and her fiancé [J.P. Rosenbaum](#), as they celebrated their [celebrity engagement](#) over the past weekend. [UsMagazine.com](#) reports the couple enjoyed a lovely dinner at hotspot Beauty and Essex. Saturday included breakfast at Coffee Shop in Union Square and some time with friends, including Chrystie Hebert-Corns, Hebert's sister who initially rejected Rosenbaum. Now, the two are on "good terms," according to one source. That night, Rosenbaum threw a party for his friends to meet his celebrity love. Treats at the party included massive cupcakes from *Cake Boss* star Buddy Valastro. Throughout the weekend, the pair were said to be "good sports" and just enjoyed being an open celebrity couple. "They're so happy to be able to just be a couple and show everyone how in love they are with one another," an insider said.

***The Bachelorette* couple celebrated their celebrity engagement in style. What are some creative ideas**

for engagement parties?

Cupid's Advice:

The best engagement parties don't only have to be for celebrity engagements! Anyone can throw a fun and unforgettable night. Here are some of Cupid's tips when attending or planning a party to celebrate love:

1. Give a special gift: The best gifts don't have to be expensive. Try to think of something useful or unique to the relationship. Anything personalized or monogrammed is great too!

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2. Be inspired by their relationship: It's always fun when the party can somehow tie into the couple's relationship and love. For example, plan dinner at the restaurant of their first date or head to a bowling alley that they frequent. The more original, the better!

Related Link: ['Bachelorette' Famous Couple Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum Talk About Life With Newborn Son Fordham](#)

3. Keep it simple: An engagement party doesn't have to be over the top. Sometimes, just inviting the right people and kicking back with them is all you need to have a great time.

What was your engagement party like? Share your experience below.

Ali Fedotowsky Postpones Wedding Due to Femur Injury



One of the few successful couples from ABC's *Bachelor/Bachelorette* franchise have canceled their wedding – but fortunately, not for good. Former *Bachelorette* Ali Fedotowsky and the man she picked, Roberto Martinez, had to postpone saying “I do” because Fedotowsky is still recovering from a femur injury. “We had a date set, and that date has now passed,” the reality star, 26, told [People](#). “The decision to postpone [the wedding] was very difficult. I definitely shed some tears.” Fedotowsky underwent surgery in July and said that they decided to defer walking down the aisle until she could actually, well, walk. “I don’t want to limp down the aisle,” she said.

What are some ways to decide when to have your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

It seems like setting a date for your wedding should be the easy part, but sometimes unexpected factors get in the way.

Cupid has some tips on how to decide when to say "I do":

1. Seasons: Love the heat? Or are you a winter weather fan? Lots of couples want their wedding to be in a certain season, so deciding on having a spring wedding, for example, should help you narrow down the date.

2. Family: If you really want your grandmother to be at your wedding, but she can only travel in the summer, you may want to plan your wedding around her (or other family or friends') availability.

3. Planning: When you're planning a huge wedding, you may need up to a year to plan everything. Think about how much time you need to prepare and set the date accordingly.

Are there any other factors to consider when setting the date?
Share your comments below.

'The Bachelorette' Reality TV Star Ashley Hebert Says Her Sister's Reaction to J.P. Was Shocking





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[ley Hebert](#) looked forward to introducing Ben Flajnik and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#), the final two contenders on [The Bachelorette season 7](#), to her family. Her whole family loved Flajnik, but Rosenbaum didn't have the same luck. In fact, her sister was especially disapproving of her relationship and love with the contestant. *The Bachelorette* star told [People](#), "What bothered me the most was not that she didn't approve but how aggressive and unsupportive she was. All I needed at this point was someone to be supportive of whatever I was feeling...and she wasn't." Although she was crushed by her sister's reaction, Hebert decided to take her opinion with a grain of salt: "I used her uncertainty to make me ask the questions I was scared to ask but by no means did it change the way I felt about him." Hebert followed her heart and recently celebrated her celebrity engagement with Rosenbaum.

Hebert's sister wasn't thrilled about *Bachelorette* contestant Rosenbaum. What do you do if your

family doesn't support your relationship and love?

Cupid's Advice:

You're torn inside. You love your partner, but your family doesn't think he or she is right for you. If you're really close to your family and value their opinion, it may be very difficult to be in this situation. Cupid has some love advice on what you can do to ease the tension:

1. Get to the heart of the issue: Talk to your family members. Find out exactly what bothers them about your boyfriend or girlfriend. Do they think your partner's not good enough for you? Do they think they are having a negative influence on you? Maybe they're simply afraid of losing you. It's important to communicate!

Related Link: [Former 'Bachelorette' Desiree Hartsock Shares Celebrity Wedding Photos](#)

2. Be firm: In order to confront your family's prejudices, you need to be firm. Tell them that you hope that they can be happy for you. Instead of asking them if they approve of your relationship and love, assert that you would be grateful to receive their support for your decision.

Related Link: [Reality TV Host Chris Harrison Reveals Twist for New Season of 'The Bachelorette'](#)

3. Allow for bonding: You've tried convincing your folks that your significant other is a great person, and it turns out that words alone won't do the trick. Your next best bet is to have them spend time with your beau so that they can get to know each other better. Try to find some common ground between them.

Ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend your folks disliked? Share

your story below!

'The Bachelorette' Contestant Constantine Says He Did Not Want to Marry Ashley Hebert



One of Ashley Hebert's final three suitors walked away during last week's episode of *The Bachelorette* in Fiji. Although it was clear that there was no spark between Constantine Tzortzis and Hebert, it was still shocking to find out that he wanted to call it quits. The 30-year-old restaurant owner openly admitted to [People](#) in an exclusive *Men Tell All* taping that he wasn't ready to get married to Herbert. He said, "You either

have a feeling or you don't... My feelings were not strong enough at that point to justify sticking around and possibly going through with that next step of getting engaged."

Tzortzis' family fully supported his decision.

How do you know when your relationship is headed toward marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

You and your partner both hold very strong feelings of love for one another, but how do you know he or she is the one?

Cupid has some ideas:

1. Clarity about the future: A good indicator that your relationship is moving toward that next serious step is that you talk about your plans for the future together. So, for example, you might discuss the intention to move to a new city and then have children together. You should both be able to paint a vivid picture of the future and see yourselves together in it.

2. Part of the family: Perhaps you've heard the saying, 'When you marry someone, you marry into his or her family.' Before you move onto marriage, you should feel a sense of belonging to your partner's family and vice versa.

3. In the friend circle: Not only is it important to be well integrated into each others' families, but it's also essential to share your buddies. It's okay if you don't get along with a few of your partner's friends, but it's important that the majority of them consider you a part of the pack. This will prevent you from having to make compromises about friendships during marriage.

What are some indicators that you're moving toward being more than boyfriend and girlfriend? Share your ideas below.

Exclusive Interview: 'Bachelorette' Winner Jesse Csincsak Gives His Take on the Season Finale

Celebrity Former



In the season 7 finale of the reality TV show *The Bachelorette*, we saw [Ashley Hebert](#) choose between the remaining two bachelors, Ben Flajnik and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#), and watched as she celebrated her [celebrity engagement](#) with Rosenbaum. From the looks of things on the *After the Final Rose* special, our bachelorette is indeed blissfully in

love and will be moving to New York City in the coming months to join her man! Following the episode, we checked in with our *Bachelorette* expert Jesse Csincsak to get his thoughts on the last chapter of this reality TV love story.

Former *Bachelorette* Winner Shares Thoughts On Season 7 Finale

Meeting Ashley's family didn't go so well for J.P. Were you surprised by Ashley's sister's reaction to J.P.?

I am still wondering how much of Ashley's sister's reaction was actually production talking.

We heard over and over again that family approval was very important to Ashley. Do you suspect Ashley and her sister were able to talk about her relationship and love before she decided to give the final rose to J.P.?

I think production had her sister say those things but behind closed doors – her sister told her, “Hey, it's not me; it's for TV.” Then, Ashley was just so pumped that her sister didn't feel that way anymore!

Related Link: [Celebrity Video Interview: Meryl Davis and Charlie White Dish About Their Love Lives!](#)

Should Ashley have let Ben know her decision before he got down on one knee?

All of those calls are made by production for good television; Ashley didn't want to do that.

What did you think about Ben's reaction when he found out he wasn't The One? Do you agree with his assessment that “good things don't end unless they end badly”?

I have mad respect for Ben after last night and agree with his actions and words 100 percent.

Ben and Ashley had a very strong friendship. Given their foundation as friends, did you expect his strong reaction to being dumped?

Yes, he got down on one knee in front of 15 million people before realizing production got the best of him!

Any shock from you when you found out that J.P. was her true celebrity love? We did see a lot of J.P. throughout the season, and usually a guy who gets a lot of camera time doesn't always end up with the final rose.

This is the first time the celebrity love story was in the edit from the beginning. But as long as they are happy, who are we to judge them!

As a viewer, what do you think makes J.P. and Ashley's relationship and love work?

Love is going to be the key factor. When the crap hits the fans, in the end, all you will have is love!

Related Link: ['The Bachelorette' Season 7, Episode 9: Final Two Men Remaining](#)

So, what do you think the future holds for J.P. and Ashley? Do you think there will be a celebrity wedding and many more chapters to their love story?

If they can stay out of Los Angeles and New York City, I think they will be just fine.

Still looking for more rose action? Be sure to set your DVR for next Monday night and the season premiere of Bachelor Pad 2!

'The Bachelorette' Season 7 Finale: It's Love or Nothing!



By

Jennifer Harrington

Last Monday on [The Bachelorette season 7](#), the final chapter of [Ashley Hebert's](#) celebrity love story was written: She chose her Prince Charming and gave out her final rose. After a very rocky road to find a relationship and love, our bachelorette ended her journey by accepting a marriage proposal. In case you missed the ending to this very dramatic season of the show, here's a recap of what happened!

The Bachelorette's Family Reaction

Ashley's family flew to Fiji to meet her remaining two guys: [J.P. Rosenbaum](#) and Ben Flajnik. It was revealed that the bubbly brunette is very influenced by her family and looks for

their approval on major life decisions. Rosenbaum was up first to meet the Hebert family, including her mother, stepfather, brother, and sister Chrystie. Chrystie immediately voiced concerns about the celebrity romance. Repeatedly, she said he was not the one for her sister and even went so far to ask Rosenbaum – who is a few years older – why he hadn't found love in his life yet. The lovebirds talked about Chrystie's tough analysis, and Rosenbaum walked away from the day feeling flustered.

Flajnik was next to meet the family. The winemaker quickly received Chrystie's seal of approval as she noticed a "natural connection" between the duo. During the day Flajnik spends with the Heberts, we learned more about the friendship that was the foundation of their relationship and love, and there was a "shared passion" that united the couple. After impressing her family, the California-native concluded the day with a helicopter ride with the bachelorette, time together in the mud pit, and some serious, quality conversation. During this chat, he confessed that he was in love with Hebert!

Related Link: ['The Bachelorette' Contestant Constantine Says He Did Not Want to Marry Ashley Hebert](#)

Rosenbaum had one last chance to spend time with his celebrity love. The couple used this time to tackle the "tough questions" from Chrystie. The conversation gave the bachelorette the confidence she needed, and she remarked that he had "proven himself" by answering her tough questions. The New York native makes his final plea for her heart with a heartfelt note and collection of photos and closed the evening by saying "she may love both of us, but she can only be in love with one of us. It's love or nothing!"

Picking The Rings For A Celebrity

Engagement

Before the final decision, both men had the opportunity to meet with jeweler Neil Lane to choose a celebrity engagement ring for Hebert. Both men selected stunning diamond rings before it was time for the bachelorette to make her final decision. Flajnik arrived to the scene of the final beachside rose ceremony first. Before Hebert had the chance to speak, Ben professed his love to her and got down on one knee to ask for her hand in marriage. Our bachelorette broke the tough news to him that she would not be giving him the final rose. Given the confidence he felt as he arrived at the beach, it's no surprise this decision was unexpected for him. He begged her not to "sugarcoat" her words to him, and left with a closing remark: "Good things don't end unless they end badly."

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Fresh off her celebrity break-up from Flajnik, the bachelorette regained her composure as Rosenbaum arrived on the beach. She professed her love to him. He shared it was time for them to take a "leap of faith" together and that she was The One for him. He proposed, and she gladly accepted. It was a fairy tale proposal for Hebert's storybook celebrity romance!

What did you think about the final decision – and what do you think the future holds for these lovebirds? Be sure to check back later today to read Bachelorette expert Jesse Csincsak's thoughts on the series finale – and don't forget about the premiere of Bachelor Pad 2 next Monday evening!

Former 'Bachelorette' Winner Jesse Csincsak Talks About Ashley Hebert's Fiji Dates and Her Final Two Men



Last night on [The Bachelorette](#), Ryan Park paid [Ashley Hebert](#) a visit and asked for a second chance, while Constantine Tzortzis said goodbye after revealing that his relationship and love was not developing fast enough for her. Ben Flajnik and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#) are the remaining two men, and *The Bachelorette* now understands that this is a two way street. Here's what *Bachelorette* expert Jesse Csincsak had to say about the episode:

Jess Csincsak Tells All About *The Bachelorette*

Were you surprised to see Ryan return? Should Chris Harrison have given Ashley a head's up that she was going to have a "surprise visitor"?

This was a simple case of the producers saying jump and Ryan asking how high! I think the producers are teasing him with being the next *Bachelor*, and he wants it so bad that he can taste it. That's why he is doing all of this dramatic nonsense. He reminds me of a few characters from past seasons who wanted to be the next *Bachelor* so bad – Jake Pavelka, Ed S. and Reid R. from season 5 and Jeremy A. from season 4.

What do you think about Ben's admission that he was "unavailable" at the beginning of the journey? Is this type of admission a red flag to you?

I think J.P. and Ben's edits are so chopped up that we will never really know what is what. I think production was trying to even the playing field with this episode by editing, so both of the final two guys look like they are at the same point with Ashley.

These contestants are always taken to places where they jump off cliffs, swim with sharks, etc. What if a contestant is afraid of these feats or they simply don't know how to swim? How do they get around doing these activities?

Production has you fill out a 1200 question test before you go on the show. Therefore, the participants know all of this beforehand, and the producers plan which dates to give each person.

We heard over and over again that Ashley and Constantine need more time. Given all they wanted was more time, do you think Constantine should have taken advantage of the fantasy suite

to get to know her a little bit better and develop their relationship and love?

Constantine was real, and as far as I am concerned, he is the man! There was no fantasy suite needed.

Related Link: [‘The Bachelorette’ Season 7, Episode 2: Ashley Gambles Her Heart in Vegas](#)

Do you think it’s a bit unreasonable for Ashley to expect all of the guys to fall in love with her and be ready to propose marriage after just a few weeks of knowing each other?

I think Ashley totally understands it’s a two way street. Even at this point, no one expects anything.

Typically, by the overnight dates, we see several confessions of love for the *Bachelor/Bachelorette*. Do you think it’s weird or simply realistic that both J.P. and Ben are holding back on “I love you” for now?

I think it’s totally real, and all three of them are guarded. That’s why we haven’t heard them say “I love you.”

What Is Important For a Real Relationship and Love?

Ashley confides that she is more “compatible” with Ben and that J.P. “compliments” her. In relationships and love, what do you think is more important – being compatible or complimenting your significant other?

I think both are important, but at the end of the day, love alone will be what gets people through the tough times in a Hollywood relationship.

Ashley makes a big deal about the guys accepting her roses this week, and it being a two-way street. When you were on the show, did you give a lot of thought to the acceptance of the

rose each week?

The show has changed a lot since I was on it. Back then, there wasn't as much emphasis on accepting a rose.

So now we know who the final two men are at the last rose ceremony. What's your prediction?

Well, since all of the idiots spoiled the show for everyone, we all know who Ashley will choose.

Related Link: [Exclusive Interview: Former Bachelorette Winner Jesse Csincsak Gives His Take On Ashley Hebert's Taiwan Dates](#)

It looks like Bentley will be back for *The Men Tell All*. Do you think we'll learn anything new about him and his mind games next week, or do you suspect having him join the reunion is all about the ratings?

Somehow, I don't believe Bentley comes back to the actual *The Men Tell All*. I think they just interviewed him separately because the real guys would rip him apart!

Want more Bachelorette insider insights? Check out the Bachelorette Beatdown from last night. The Beatdown is hosted by Jesse himself, and he is always joined by notable show alums!

'The Bachelorette' Season 7, Episode 9: Final Two Men

Remaining



By

Jennifer Harrington

Last night's episode on [The Bachelorette](#) quickly reminded me that this season was almost over. The thought alone got my adrenaline racing, not because I wanted to see who [Ashley Hebert](#) would choose but because it brought me one week closer to the upcoming drama that is almost guaranteed on the *Bachelor/Bachelorette* spin-off, *Bachelor Pad*. Until then, here's the scoop on Hebert!

The Bachelorette journeyed back to Asia for overnight dates with the remaining three bachelors: Ben Flajnik, Constantine Tzortzis, and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#). Last week's hometown dates seemed to be a big step in the right direction for our leading lady, and after arriving in Fiji, she remarked that it was the "ultimate place to fall in love." Keeping in mind that this week's preview promised a few last surprises for the brunette,

here's a recap of what this episode had in store for her.

Final Two Men On This Season of *The Bachelorette*

The episode opened up with Hebert primping for her date with Flajnik when all of a sudden there's a knock on the door. She opens it, and there is Ryan Park, who was kicked off two episodes ago, standing there making a plea for her to reconsider after he just flew halfway around the world to confess his lingering feelings for her. It looks like a foreshadowing to him being the next *Bachelor*! He says that he wants a "full chance" and catches the bachelorette off-guard and left speechless. They mutually decided that she will reach out to him with an answer if she's interested. Now, it's time for her date with Flajnik.

Related Link: [Hollywood Couple Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum Celebrate with Holiday Traditions](#)

The duo spent the day together snorkeling in Fiji's turquoise waters and frolicking like kids as they rubbed suntan lotion on one another. We learn that the date helps to solidify Flajnik's love for Hebert, who feels like she has known him forever. It's no surprise to hear him say their time together is effortless. The date is followed by a candlelight dinner and the acceptance of the fantasy suite invitation. While he is hesitant to say "I love you" to Hebert, she declared they are in the midst of a "great love story."

An End To A Relationship and Love

Next up was Tzortzis. We know that Hebert is attracted to this "Greek God," but she continues to reinforce that their relationship and love is moving very slowly. Slow-moving or not, as the famous couple embarks upon a day of exploring in a helicopter, it's obvious that the relationship between the

bachelorette and the restaurant owner is lacking in the sizzle department. Initially, she suspected that all they needed was more time to flourish, but a revealing conversation over dinner puts a quick end to it all. He explains that his feelings aren't developing as fast and rather than accept an invitation to the fantasy suite and all that implies, the Atlanta native decides Fiji is the "end of the road" and says goodbye.

After reflecting a bit upon Tzortzis's decision to leave, the bachelorette decides it's time to chat with Park, who has been waiting patiently for a second chance with his celebrity love. The talk she has with the solar executive is almost the exact conversation they had several weeks ago; while Park is everything she wants on paper, their relationship and love is lacking passion. Confessing she has found the spark she needs with the two other remaining bachelors, she says "farewell" to him...AGAIN.

Related Link: [Ashley Hebert and J.P. Rosenbaum Have No Celebrity Wedding Plans Yet](#)

Rosenbaum had the final date this week. It is adventure-packed as they fly around the islands in a sea plane and take a romantic swim in the ocean. He shares that he is "definitely falling in love." Throughout the course of the day, we hear that Rosenbaum is ready for the end of the journey and to accept the final rose – he wants Hebert to be his wife. It's no surprise that he's been her rock throughout this bumpy journey, and at dinner in the jungle, she shares with him her "surprises" of the week. There are no secrets between these two as he accepts her invitation to the fantasy suite.

Even though Tzortzis had packed his bags and left Fiji, the bachelorette still wanted to have a rose ceremony. His decision to leave made her realize this process is really a two-way street, and she wanted to give the remaining men the opportunity to truly "accept" the roses she offered. Both men

accepted the roses, and she rejoiced in the fact that her happy ending (and a celebrity engagement!) were in the very near future for her.

Who do you think she will pick to be her husband? To get an expert's pick on the final two, check back later today for our Q&A with Bachelorette expert Jesse Csincsak. And don't forget to set your DVR's for Sunday night and The Men Tell All episode!

'The Bachelorette' Season 7, Episode 9 Preview: One Last Surprise for Ashley Hebert



By Jennifer Harrington

Next Episode of *The Bachelorette*

After saying goodbye to Ames last week during the hometown dates, it's time for [Ashley Hebert](#) to head to Fiji this week with the remaining three men for the overnight "fantasy" dates. While the bachelorette remarks that this has been a "crazy journey" for her, she is very enthusiastic to spend some "private" time with her remaining guys: Constantine Tzortzis, Ben Flajnik, and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#). All veteran viewers of this [reality TV](#) show know that this is a pivotal moment each season. The dates are full of exotic outings, deep conversations, tough questions, and the keys to the fantasy suite! As you'll see in the preview, just when you think that maybe Hebert has in fact found her celebrity love story during this very rocky season of *The Bachelorette*, it is revealed that someone unexpected pays her a visit in Fiji!

Related Link: [Josh Murray Has Moved On After Celebrity Break-Up With Former 'Bachelorette' Andi Dorfman](#)

Until Monday, let us know: Who is the uninvited guest crashing the romantic party in South Pacific? Do you think this will be a happy surprise for our leading lady – could it possibly be Bentley again?

Tune into ABC at 8/7c on Monday to check out the latest installment of the drama on The Bachelorette, and see who will be the two suitors advancing to the final rose ceremony!

Exclusive Interview: Celebrity Former 'Bachelorette' Winner Jesse Csincsak Shares Opinions On Ashley Hebert's Hometown Dates



Last night on [The Bachelorette](#), [Ashley Hebert](#) met the in-laws of the remaining four men: Constantine Tzortzis, Ames Brown, Ben Flajnik, and [J.P. Rosenbaum](#). As she traveled to the contestant's hometown and met their families, her spark grew for some of the guys, while she questioned her relationship and love with others. In the end, she sent Brown home. Here's what *Bachelorette* expert Jesse Csincsak had to say about the

episode in our exclusive interview:

Exclusive Celebrity Interview with Jesse Csincsak

Constantine's hometown date seemed so perfect. Do you think he'll be one of the last men standing, or do you think it was edited to look that way for a reason? Maybe there's something more coming that will shock us!

I think Constantine will be the next to go home. He has a strong connection with Ashley, but it's moving way slower than the rest of the guys, and I think that will be what gets him sent home. I don't think there are any tricks about his edit, but who knows – I have seen crazier stuff!

Do you think it's a red flag that Ben's relationships and love haven't lasted that long and that he's only brought home one other person?

I'm not going to lie – Ben is cool, but I just don't see Ashley moving to central California to be a mellow wine maker's wife. I personally think Ashley would be better suited with J.P. or Constantine, but I am not her.

Do you think J.P. has a jealous streak that could get in the way of his relationship with Ashley? Or will his lack of commitment lead to their demise?

Every guy has a point of jealousy. It's all about how much it takes to trigger that jealous bug. I think they are going to get into some deep conversations next week. Perhaps that's what the walking out of the room scene will be.

Related Link: [Celebrity Pregnancy: Former 'Bachelorette' Emily Maynard is Expecting!](#)

Planning Hometown Date Ideas

Who plans the hometown date ideas? For example, J.P.'s roller skating date – was that his own idea, or did the producers plan that?

The producers do all the planning, but you can tell them what you would like to do – such as snowboarding or go on a horse and carriage. They want it to be activities you would actually enjoy doing!

How nerve-wracking are hometown dates? Is it true that this is the first time you are physically seeing your family since the show started?

When you go on the hometown dates, you don't even get to stay at your house or see your family except what everyone sees on camera! They make you stay in a hotel two miles from your house, so you can't talk to or see anyone you know. That's why everyone looks genuinely happy to see one another on camera.

Do all the families need to sign a waiver stating that they can't disclose the hometown dates before the season airs? What's the process?

All family members do have to sign a non-disclosure agreement before the contestants even get to their hometown. Once the fifth and sixth guys go home, the producers approach the contestants after the rose ceremony and ask them for the contact information of the person the *Bachelorette* will be meeting on the hometown date. Since the producers do it all, the guys don't get a chance to tell their parents what's going on.

Which of the remaining men do you think is best for Ashley?

Although I think Constantine or J.P. will fit her lifestyle the best, Ben is a great guy too!

Were you surprised to see Ames go? If so, who did you think would leave this week?

I wasn't surprised to see Ames leave. Somehow, I just can't see Ashley sitting by a massive indoor pool and Jacuzzi talking about how amazing Ames is for the rest of her life or being driven around in a horse and carriage by the butlers until she's 80. But then again, that's just me.

Related Link: [Reality TV Star Ashley Hebert Instagrams Amazing Post-Celebrity Baby Body](#)

In next week's highlights, there's a knock on the door from someone who surprised Ashley by flying to Fiji. Who do you think that might be?

I think the surprise is either Ames or Ryan P.

There is also a scene where her family doesn't feel that one of the guys is right for her, and it looks like she chooses him anyway. Any guesses who that may be?

I think that has to be J.P. or Ben because it's down to the final two when you meet the parents.

Want more Bachelorette insider insights than what our exclusive interview gave? Tune into the Bachelorette Beatdown at 6pm PST every Tuesday on www.RTVZone.com. The Beatdown is hosted by Jesse himself, and he is always joined by notable show alums!

'The Bachelorette' Episode 8

Recap: Love Takes Time



By

[Jennifer Harrington](#)

This week on [*The Bachelorette*](#), Ashley has narrowed the pool to four men for the hometown dates. Coming up are visits with the families of Constantine, Ames, Ben and J.P. Let's see what it was like to meet the in-laws:

First up was food-lover, Constantine and a visit to his family in Cumming, GA. After a cozy chat by a lake, Ashley and her man ventured off to his Italian restaurant. Yes, Greek heritage with an Italian restaurant-interesting combo. Anyway, the heat was certainly on in the kitchen as the lovebirds cooked up some treats. Following their delicious quality time the pair went to meet Constantine's extremely close-knit family. All season, we've known Constantine was a family man, and after his hometown date we can now see why. Ashley not only met his immediate family but the couple was

surprised when the doorbell rang and in walked about 20 more extended family members to greet Constantine for a Welcome Back Greek-style dance party. Despite the good times and cool dance moves, Constantine's parents emphasized over and over that love takes time. This seemed to be the theme of the night from most of the families.

Next Ashley flew up to Chadds Ford, PA to spend some time with Ames' family. Our bachelorette has been intrigued by Ames' "uniqueness" all season, and her day with his loved ones did not disappoint. In fact, Ames' older sister compared her brother to an onion with various layers. Speaking of layers, we learned that Ames attended boarding school and was an unpopular student. All afternoon, we heard Ashley (and Ames' family) questioning the spark and passion in their relationship, and despite sharing his motto that "life isn't all fireworks," Ames promised to "step up the romance" with Ashley after the couple shared a picnic, conversation, and carriage ride together.

After two dates on the East Coast, our bachelorette flew west for her hometown date with Ben in Sonoma, CA where they sipped on wine from his vineyard. After an "effortless" afternoon with her "sexy" long-haired man, Ashley settled in for a relaxed evening with Ben's mother and sister. Ben's father passed away several years ago and Ben expressed to Ashley that this process of being on the show has really helped him open up emotionally. He admitted that he had only brought home one girl to meet his family before, which could be a red flag for her. The hometown date was much more intimate than the others and a little more emotional. Ben's over-protective sister definitely was watching out for her brother's best interest but overall they seemed to accept Ashley into the family.

Last was J.P.'s hometown date in Roslyn, NY. J.P. treated Ashley to an afternoon of roller-skating, which she loved, remarking that she felt like she was in "seventh grade again. With the disco ball flashing, the chemistry between these two

looked pretty heated on the rink. However, they did share some serious talk about why J.P. has been single for so long (Ashley has obviously never lived in NYC where the singles almost outweigh the married couples).

They finally joined J.P.'s family, where the defenses came up initially to protect him. Apparently, his last girlfriend broke his heart. When confiding in his family, J.P. shared that he was afraid to fully admit how he feels for Ashley.

The episode ended with roses going to Ben, Constantine, and J.P. Ames was sent home, eliminated and devastated – while it seemed obvious that Ashley was not able to find any spark with him, he had developed genuine feelings for her.

Join us next week for the exotic overnight dates in Fiji as we journey with Ashley towards the final rose! In the meantime, share your predictions with us – who do you think will be the final two men standing this season? And, if you can't get enough *Bachelorette*, be sure to check back later today to read *Bachelorette* expert Jesse Csincsak's take on the episode.