

# Product Review: Make Life Easier for You and Your Family with BubbleBum, Poli, and Booginhead



*This post is sponsored by BubbleBum, Poli, and Booginhead.*

By [Mary DeMaio](#)

When you're a parent and constantly on-the-go, your life can be stressful and overwhelming. You're always moving the booster seat in and out of the car. Your little ones spill milk or juice on the floor everyday. And then, there's dinner time! It can sometimes take an hour just to get little Johnny to eat his chicken nuggets. Believe it or not, there

are a few products on the market that make parenting a little bit easier. In our [product review](#) below, check out some great items that both you and your baby are sure to love.

## Use This Product Review to Make Life Easier

First, the [BubbleBum](#) is an inflatable car booster seat that guarantees your child's safety and makes travel a lot smoother. It is portable, lightweight and for children between the ages of 4 and 11. This must-have product easily inflates and deflates, which makes it effortless to take along on vacations, beach days, or trips to Grandma's house.

The next product that will make your life simpler is the Poli Sippy Cup. The [Poli Sippy Cup](#) is easy to clean and is BPA-, phosphates-, and lead-free. It has an easy flow of liquids so your child doesn't have any tummy discomfort and also has a soft-chew resistant spout for babies that are teething. There are nursery rhymes featured on every cup, which promote early reading skills.

Finally, thanks to [Booginhead](#), dinner time will never be stressful again. This cool line of Super Power themed tableware and accessories will definitely keep your child entertained throughout the meal. The days of chasing them around the kitchen table with a spoon are behind you. These products have an interesting way of captivating children's attention with their branded plate colors and bold words that pop. From cups and utensils to plates, these dinner sets are perfect for mixing and matching.

The three items in this product review are sure to make the days much less complicated and chaotic for the entire family. You and your partner will be happy that you have restored order back into your lives (at least for a little while).

For more information about the products mentioned above, check out [BubbleBum](#), [USA Poli](#), and [BooginHead](#).

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# Baby Fever: Dress and Wrap Your Child in Celebrity Style with These Comfortable & Cozy Products



*This post is sponsored by The Feltman Brothers and The Ollie World.*

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[The Feltman Brothers](#) and [The Ollie World](#) bring you the softest, most comfortable and stylish fashion and swaddles for your baby. The Feltman Brothers offer a number of options, from durable newborn pieces to cost-conscious toddler outfits. Your baby will have celebrity style in no time. You and your partner will love dressing your little sweetheart and may even cause you to catch [baby fever](#) (again). The new line is eco-friendly and is made from cotton from Peru. The Ollie World offers a chic designed swaddle line, The Nature Collection, in which lovely pastel colors are sleep inducing and calming for your little one. Both products are a celebrity style must-have this season!

## **Celebrity Style: Keep your baby trendy and comfortable in these new collections.**

With the new collections from The Feltman Brothers and The Ollie World, the perfect baby essentials are right at your fingertips. In the Pima Cotton Collection from the Feltman Brothers, your child will have everything from blankets, to hats and rompers. With this collection, the Peruvian cotton is made to last over multiple wearings and washings.

“Feltman’s provides the world with authentic and timeless fashion for babies in classic tradition,” states the website. “This reputation is the result of a strong commitment to quality, incomparable fabrics, exclusive designs, and attention to detail.”

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As for The Ollie World, their new Nature Collection is sure to help comfort your baby to sleep. Not only because of the softness of their fabrics, but because of the lavender, sky,

nest, and stone colors.

They offer a variety of swaddle options featuring the “Ollie Swaddle,” which keeps your baby tightly bundled while regulating their temperature. Using Ollie swaddles help babies stay comfortable and cool, and reduces the risk of overheating. It also allows for quick access to diaper changes and is made to grow with your baby through important transitional stages, while supporting them as they hit significant developmental milestones. If baby fever strikes again, you will be all set with the Ollie Swaddle.

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Both of these unique lines will have your child dressed in fashionable celebrity style from head to toe, and kept comfortably cozy during nighttime and naps. The only issue you will have is deciding which colors to choose from!

*For more information, check out [The Feltman Brother's](#) and [The Ollie World's](#) websites.*

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# Thanks to DockATot Baby Loungers, Your Child Can Relax in Style





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Ever wonder how celebrity babies like to relax? Look no further than the [DockATot](#) baby lounger! If your child struggles to get comfortable during their daytime naps or even while they're in their crib or your bed at night, this lounger will help them get the rest they need. Plus, you won't have to worry about their safety: The ideal hygienic microclimate mimics the womb, and the lounger is 100 percent breathable.

## Tuck Your Baby Into a DockATot Tonight

The DockATot baby lounger has a unique shape and design for a snug place for your baby to rest. All materials used are sourced from top-quality suppliers and are Oeko-Tex certified. Plus, all covers are machine-washable and safety-tested.

If you've been itching to plan a vacation inspired by your favorite celebrity couple but don't want to mess up your



baby's sleep schedule, a DockATot will calm your worries. It's portable, making it easy for your child to snooze on-the-go. Whether you're enjoying the sunshine at the beach or in a cabin on a snowy mountaintop, your baby will sleep soundly, thanks to the DockATot.

Of course, these celebrity baby loungers are super chic and come in a selection of stylish colors. They're also available in two sizes: Deluxe and Grand. The Deluxe is meant for babies from birth to nine months. It provides a safe sleeping spot, facilitates tummy time, prevents flat head syndrome, and is the perfect place for diaper changes. The Grand is for children from nine months to three years old. It's perfect for bed transitioning, as the air permeable bumpers act like regular bed bumpers to help little ones feel snug and secure in their new big kid beds.

DockATot is a Mom's Choice Award, TillyWig Award and Silver NAPPA Award winner and has earned the National Parenting Center Seal of Approval. It's also won the Must-Have Award among celebrity moms and dads.

*For more information about DockATot, visit [DockATot.com](http://DockATot.com).*

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## Relationship Advice: Eco-friendly Jewelry Makes for a Great Conversation Starter





By [Lori Bizzoco](#)

*This post is sponsored by Isabelle Grace Jewelry.*

With so many people doing their part to make this world a better place environmentally, is it possible to find eco-friendly jewelry that's attractive enough to wear on a date? It sounds impossible but we found a new line of accessories called Isabelle Grace Jewelry and if you're worried about aesthetics, rest assured that their pieces will make you shine, sparkle, and bling out! Not to mention, they have been seen on Hollywood's A-listers such as Katherine Heigl, Camila Alves, Lyndsay Price, Tamera Mowry, and Alyson Hannigan..

Just a little [relationship advice](#): When wearing Isabella Grace on a date you not only get to wear beautiful jewelry, you have the added bonus of talking about your taste for environmentally friendly products. Earth Day is right around the corner. How is that for intriguing?



# Relationship Advice: Eco-friendly Jewelry Makes a Great Conversation Starter

So, when your partner comments on your necklace, bracelet or earrings, you can let him know that you care about quality (after all, you chose to be with *him*, right?) and to prove it, everything you wear by Isabella Grace is handmade in the USA. There's no assembly line or mass production. Instead, the designs are made of the best materials and expertly crafted by people who love making beautiful things.

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You can also customize your selection into a one-of-a-kind piece by adding names, initials, dates, birthstones and more. This personalized touch will let your partner know how much you truly care about your relationship, especially when he hears that prices are reasonable. That's another relationship advice secret: find a line of jewelry that's affordable.

**Related Link:** [Date Idea: Make Your Own Memorial](#)

Why not buy a piece for yourself, ask for one from your partner or give it as a gift to your mother, sister or any woman you love? The wonderful thing is that it makes a great gift, no matter what time of year it is. Whether it's a birthday, holiday, or a way to say "I love you," it will be appreciated and cherished forever.

For more amazing jewelry collections, visit [Isabelle Grace Jewelry](#). You can also follow Isabelle Grace on Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest.

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# Flash Your Own Red Carpet Bling On Your Next Date Night



*This post is sponsored by Cate & Chloe.*

[By Mary DeMaio](#)

Awards season has come and gone and the celebs have left us dreaming of the hottest jewelry trends. How we wish we could afford their jewelry selections! [Cate & Chloe Jewelry](#) makes it possible to take a piece of Hollywood with you this season with their red carpet inspired jewelry. They add glamour into your everyday life with high quality designs, from the office to the red carpet. If you're looking for something special

your next [date night](#) that your sweetheart will remember, these stylish rings are sure to do the trick.

## **Wear Cate & Chole Jewelry Your Next Date Night**

1. [The Elizabeth "Faithful" 18K Gold Swarovski Ring \(\\$169.00\)](#). This ring is dressed in crystal stones with a touch of 18K yellow gold that shimmers from the lighting in any room. It is easy to see why ladies admire them: they make a statement.
2. [The Demi "Divine" Ring \(\\$59.00\)](#). This ring features a delicate twist design finished with two tiny CZ stones on each end. It's a unique yet timeless piece to add to your gold collection.
3. [The Carmen "Lively" Cage Ring \(\\$55.00\)](#) –Without a doubt, this ring is a head spinner. It is an attention grabbing piece which definitely adds some edge to your style, lining your finger with four gold rings crafted into one.

All these pieces are sure to give you an extra bit of sparkle your next date night out! The glamour simply cannot be ignored. Not only will he admire your sense of style, he'll get a crystal clear, glistening idea of what you like and what kind of girl you are: one that's blingin' it!

Cate and Chloe Jewelry started with a simple idea – stylish, affordable jewelry for women. Life in the working world allows little time for each individual's inner creativity and fashion sense to shine. The company takes pride in finding elegant, versatile and timeless pieces to complement every woman's desires. View the latest items at

Sign up for the Cate & Chloe VIP subscription box to receive special pieces every month! Choose from three pieces like a

necklace and earring set or keep it simple with one new item. Or you can be surprised with a handpicked item from one of Cate & Chloe's expert stylists. Extra perks like discounts and first release designs are also included.

*For more details or to sign up for the Cate & Chloe VIP subscription box, check out the [website](#).*

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## Date Idea: Have an Oscar Nominated Movie Date Night



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[By Mary DeMaio](#)

With the Oscar's right around the corner, what better way to get in the spirit than curling up on the couch next to that special someone and catching up on the most popular nominated movies. Movies On Demand is the perfect [date idea](#) and visitors can find the timeliest titles and take part in an [Oscars Pool](#) right now. It's like a March Madness bracket for movies! Just go to the interactive site and pick your Oscar win predictions up until the start of the show on Sunday, February 28. Users can create their own pools or participate in others.

## Check out some of the nominated movies available for a great date idea On Demand now!

What Oscar-nominated movies are available to you? You'll find *The Martian*, *Inside Out*, *Shaun the Sheep Movie*, *Straight Outta Compton*, *Bridge of Spies*, *Spectre*, *Trumbo*, and *Steve Jobs* to name a few. New titles will continue to premiere On Demand during the lead up to the Oscars. These brand new movie titles won't be released to the Netflix library for a very long time!

This movie date idea will help get you in the Oscar spirit before the weekend comes. And if you are into trivia, here are some fun facts that you could use on your friends:

### Movie Fun Facts:

*Straight Outta Compton*: The actors re-recorded NWA's entire *Straight Outta Compton* album to help them get into character.

*Martian*: *The Martian* is based on a book which was initially self-published for free on a blog.

*Bonus Fun Fact*: Matt Damon is the only Best Actor nominee for this year's Oscars who is nominated for playing a fictional character. All the other Best Actor nominees were nominated

for playing historical figures.

*Tune in this Sunday, February 28th to watch the 88th Academy Awards on ABC. Exclusive red carpet coverage begins at 7:00 p.m. EST/ 4:00 p.m. PST, immediately followed by the awards ceremony at 8:30 p.m. EST / 5:30 p.m. PST. Tune-in to ABC on your television or live stream\* the Oscars at [ABC.com](http://ABC.com) or the [WATCH ABC app](#).*

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## **Match.com's Sixth Annual #SinglesInAmerica Dating Advice: Study Proves a Second Date is More Crucial for Long-Term Love**







*This post is sponsored by Match.com.*

By Samantha Vlahos

Calling all singles! Has this past Valentine's Day gotten you down? Are you still determined to find love in 2016? If so, you're in luck! Over the holiday weekend, Match.com hosted a live stream event and shared their sixth annual Singles In America study at [The Rickey at Dream Midtown](#) in New York City. This year's study explored dating during the election year, how to ditch your ex when you return to the dating world and also confirmed that a second date is more important than the first.

## Match.com Reveals Dating Advice For Singles In America

### The First Date Playbook: Recipes for Second-Date Fate

The first date blues. It gets us all. You are constantly going on dates and cannot seem to find a spark with anyone. Don't worry, it's not just you. According to Match.com's study, 59%

of singles do not expect to feel chemistry until the second date, and over a third of singles don't expect passion to erupt until the third date or later.

So, instead of putting so much focus on the first date, start thinking about the second one. And, the study shows that the best way to get a second date is with sushi! Yes, going out for sushi on the first date increases your chance of a second date by 200%. There's just something intriguing about sharing a sushi roll and teaching your date how to use chopsticks, that makes them want to ask you out again!

### **The Ex Factor: Letting Go and Moving On**

Who classifies as an ex these days? Over 50% of singles believe you have to date more than three months to count someone as an ex, with 32% of women believing you have to date someone for over a year to consider them in that category.

Post-breakup dating is one of the most challenging aspects of dating these days. With today's technology and our society's infatuation with social media, it's almost impossible to not keep up with your ex after a breakup. No matter what the circumstances, remember that you should never talk about an ex during a date. Talking about or asking about an ex will diminish your chances of furthering the relationship. At the start of a relationship, you should focus on learning about the person versus worrying about their past. Learning about a person's past relationships will come naturally later if you stay together.

### **The Single Vote: Politics in Dating**

According to the study, a good discussion on any political issue can boost your chances of a second date by 91 percent. Of this, 25% of singles say "not being registered to vote" is an instant deal-breaker, while 35% will not consider dating someone who "does not have an opinion on key political issues."

So, is it politically correct to assume that the dating life of a Republican and Democrat are really that different? Yes, it is. Match has noted that in this election year, the study also reveals the significant, yet subtle similarities and differences between single Republicans and Democrats.

Democrats, are you thinking about marriage? If so, bring it up on the first date! The topic will increase your chances for a second. As for you Republicans, going out for an expensive dinner increases your chances for a second date by 50 percent.

As the Match.com Singles In America survey reveals and Dr. Fisher says, "We're so focused on the first date, but the big deal is to get the second date." Dating today is constantly changing with the help of technology, but remember not to put too much pressure on the first date. Go to a simple dinner, get to know the person and give the second date a real shot!

*To watch the full live stream click [here](#).*

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## **Relationship Advice: Stay "Kaptured" In Your Partners Arms With Kapture Audio**





*This post is sponsored by Kapture.*

By Myesha Cobb

With the holiday season in full swing, it's easy to have a family meltdown or a fight with your significant other. According to Mathew Dooley, co-founder of [Kapture](#), an audio-recording wristband that allows you to save and share moments in your life, the root cause of these fights is that people aren't listening. The technology of Kapture Audio allows you to "capture" the last 60 seconds of audio around you from the sleek wrist band design and allows you to save and send it to your smartphone. Once you hear something worth remembering – a great joke, a brilliant quote, or even a verbal contract – you can tap the watch in order to "capture" and it saves the audio from the last 60 seconds and stores it to your smartphone. You can also share, edit and publish the clips with the Kapture App. This technology can even save your relationship and love. Its inherent [relationship advice](#) is to become a better listener and a better partner this holiday season.

# Relationship Advice On Kapturing The Moments That Count

With Kapture, you and your partner will enjoy how easy it is to make memories that will last a lifetime! The wrist band has an all day battery life for those of you who are always on the go. It is iOS and Android compatible, has Bluetooth connectivity, an omni-directional mic, vibration and LED notifications and more. The wrist band also has a variety of color options to choose from. You can choose a color for the wrist band as well as a separate color for the grill. Our date idea is to wear the Kapture wrist band on your next night out. It's definitely a must-have for those couples on the go.

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Creators Mike and Matt believe that this will enhance moments and the relationships and love that matter in our lives. Our relationship advice is to use this technology to bond with your partner. Kapture says "I'm listening." Whether you're both in a coffee shop, walking down the street together, on vacation, or even hear a song that you both take interest to. This wrist band is more than just technology. It is something that you and your partner can create memories with as well as a hot playlist!

**Related Link:** [Date Idea: Make The Perfect Playlist](#)

Since the holidays are here, our love advice is to give this gift to your partner. This is something else to add to the list of things to do to keep your relationship interesting. It is going to add to the memories and fun outings between you and your honey!

*For more information check out [Kapture](#).*

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# Celebrity Babies Ride In Style With The Diono Pacifica Car Seat



*This post is sponsored by Diono.*

By [Emma Malefakis](#)

We are all familiar with the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. There's no doubt that this time of year requires more traveling than usual. Between car rides from one holiday party to the next and long plane rides to visit family living far away, most of your time is spent on the go. Next time you



prepare the kids for a long trip, don't do it without the [Diono Pacifica Convertible and Booster Car Seat](#). In the latest celebrity baby news, Hollywood couple Alessandra Ambrosio and Jamie Mazur choose the Diono Pacifica's style and safety for their [celebrity baby](#).

## Every Child is Treated Like a Celebrity Baby with the Diono Pacifica Car Seat

The new Diono Pacifica car seat brings safety to a whole new level with its full steel frame and reinforced extra side wall cushioning for enhanced impact protection from all angles. The Diono Pacifica is perfect for little travelers of different ages and sizes. Its rear facing capabilities protect children who are anywhere between 5 to 50 pounds. Forward facing, it comfortably seats children anywhere from 20-90 lbs with a 5-point harness. The Diono Pacifica is a purchase that will last for years. It even converts into a booster seat as your children grow from 50-120 pounds, or up to 57 inches.

Installation is far from difficult with its unique SuperLATCH system and removing the seat is just as easy. No reason to rethink date night when you can easily remove the seat and give it to your relatives or sitter, if needed. The Diono Pacifica folds flat for travel and is FAA certified, so vacations can be less stressful. Its unique space saving design provides a spacious interior for your child while allowing extra space for other passengers in your growing family. The Safety Synergy technology is also NCAP crash tested, verifying child seat performance in even the most severe accident conditions, ensuring the safest travels for your children.

**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will now have the chance to

own a Diono Pacifica Convertible and Booster Car Seat (Retail Value \$340) just by entering our giveaway! To enter our giveaway complete the form on our [Contact Page](#). Pick "Giveaways" in the dropdown menu and include your name and address as well as "Diono Pacifica Convertible and Booster Car Seat" in the message field. You'll also need to follow us on [Facebook](#), and comment on our Diono Pacifica post. Our giveaway ends at 5 p.m. on Dec. 21.

Wishing you the best of luck!

*For more details on the Diono Pacifica Car Seat, check out Diono's [www.facebook.com/DionoUSA/?fref=ts](http://www.facebook.com/DionoUSA/?fref=ts), Twitter [@DionoUSA](https://twitter.com/DionoUSA), and [www.instagram.com/dionousa/](http://www.instagram.com/dionousa/).*

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## **Find Your 'Clutch': Relationship Advice from Author Lisa Becker**





By Samantha Vlahos

Being a single gal gets difficult from time to time. There are only so many failed date ideas one can endure before wanting to give up on the idea of finding the one. Lisa Becker's hit new romance chick lit, titled *clutch: a novel*, follows protagonist Caroline Johnson as she endures many dating misadventures. The single purse designer compares her unsuccessful relationships and love to different styles of handbags, and with her best friend by her side, she wears her heart on her sleeve and continues to search for her "clutch," that special someone that she wants to hang onto.

In our exclusive author interview, the dating expert gives us a glimpse behind the evolution of *clutch* and reveals her best [relationship advice](#) about online dating and having the courage to find true love. And the best part? If you're still searching for the perfect gift this holiday season, the Takashi bag by Harper Avenue is a must-have holiday item. Use the discount code below for 20 percent off!



The Takashi bag by Harper Avenue.

## Relationship Advice to Help You Find Your Clutch

**We're so excited to read your fourth book *clutch: a novel*! What inspired you to write about Caroline and her dating misadventures?**

I'm a sucker for a good love story and enjoy creating fun and engaging tales that are filled with lots of heart and humor.

**Why did you decide to compare men to handbags?**

When I was writing the *Click* trilogy, (*Click: An Online Love Story*, *Double Click*, and *Right Click*), I was obsessed with *NCIS* re-runs and would have the show on in the background as I wrote. There was an episode when one of the characters mentioned that men were like purses: something useless to hang on a woman's arm. I started thinking about that, and the idea grew from there. I believe that everyone deserves a happily ever after and would like to think there's a "clutch," or someone worth holding onto, out there for everyone.

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**What surprising revelations about love does Caroline learn throughout the novel?**

Throughout her handbag-themed journey to find her “clutch,” Caroline learns a few important lessons. Most notably, she realizes that being able to talk honestly with your partner is the cornerstone of a solid relationship. Also, there’s never anything wrong with being with someone that makes you happy.

**What is the main message that you hope readers take away from your book?**

Sometimes, the love you want, deserve, and need is right there in front of you all along. You just need to be open to it.

**You’ve been married for over 10 years. How does that influence or help shape your writing?**

I never thought I would get married, so some days, I still pinch myself that I’ve got a loving, hilarious, and intelligent husband. Writing these books reminds me of how lucky I am to have met him.

**What suggestions do you have for women who repeatedly find themselves on unsuccessful dates or are searching for the courage to find love?**

In the modern classic film, *The Shawshank Redemption*, Tim Robbins’ character, Andy Dufresne, says, “Get busy living or get busy dying.” That quote comes to mind when I think about searching for the “clutch.” If you feel like it’s not going to happen, then my relationship advice is to just give up. You heard me. GIVE UP! Surrender to that notion that you’ll end up alone. If that’s truly the case, do you want to spend the next 30, 40, or even 50-plus years wallowing in misery? Sitting around and lamenting your singleness? Or are you going to get busy living? Buy your own home. Travel to all of the places

you want to visit. Adopt a child. Write that novel. Engage in hobbies and activities that bring you joy.

Chances are, when you start focusing on *what* will make you happy – not *who* will make you happy – you *WILL* be happy. Happiness is evident and infectious. Happiness makes you more interesting and more attractive to someone else. And when that happens, you're more likely to meet the right person who's going to complement the amazing life you've created for yourself.

**Related Link:** [Four Dates and a Wedding](#)

**You met your husband through an online dating site. What is your best tip for our readers who are struggling to get past the creeps and find a genuine guy?**

Connecting with the right person online starts with you. When writing your online profile, be honest. Don't say you're an exercise junkie if you're really a couch potato. Don't post a photo from 10 years earlier. Don't downplay your intelligence or success because you think men will be intimidated by the real you. While you might garner a lot of interest early on, the truth will eventually come out. Nothing stunts a budding relationship and love more than deception and lies.

Also, my love advice is to let your personality shine through and be specific about the things that make you special, including hobbies and interests. It's your chance to make a positive first impression while being in complete control of the messages you are delivering.

The main character in my novel, *Click: An Online Love Story*, writes in her profile: "I cry at Hallmark commercials, sing (sometimes off key) with the radio while driving, own more pairs of black shoes than should be legal, and my fear of flying is rivaled only by my love for chocolate." My relationship advice is to tell someone who you *really* are, including your sense of humor, interests and confidence level.



Be creative!

**You balance working and writing with being a full-time mom – not an easy task! Any advice for other working moms?**

Organization is key! I have a master to-do list that I update weekly to keep track of school projects, sports practices and games, and after-school activities as well as all of my personal deadlines and appointments. I also use a spreadsheet to map out meals for the week along with groceries needed so that I never have to worry about what to make for dinner or spend time making multiple trips per week to the store. Shopping online is also a big time saver. If I'm writing and enduring a bit of writer's block, I can quickly click over to Amazon and order things I need.

**What would we find if we looked in your handbag right now?**

Aside from the standard wallet, keys, sunglasses, and hand sanitizer, you'll always find snacks for the kids. Never (ever!) leave home without snacks for the kids.

**Related Link:** [Looking for Love is Like a Job Search](#)

**If you were given an offer to turn *clutch* into a movie, who would you want to see playing the roles of Caroline and Mike?**

I think Eloise Mumford, who played Kate in *Fifty Shades of Grey*, would make an outstanding Caroline. She has the right mixture of warmth, gumption, vulnerability, and beauty to bring this character to life. I still can't decide on who would play Mike, although I know I'd love to sit in on those casting sessions.

**Do you have any other upcoming projects or anything else you'd like to share with our readers?**

*clutch* actually started out as a screenplay that was under option at a major studio, but it fell out of development. I turned it into a short novel so I could share this charming

and hilarious tale. I'm eager to see if there's interest from someone else on bringing this fun and quirky story to the big screen. So if you happen to be a well-to-do movie producer looking to make a new romantic comedy, please get in touch!

*Purchase clutch: a novel on Amazon. You can use the discount code **cupidandclutch** for 20% off of your total purchase at Harper Avenue and free shipping through December 24th. For more on Lisa Becker, visit her site and check her out on [Twitter](#) @lisawbecker, [www.facebook.com/ClickAnOnlineLoveStory/?ref=hl](http://www.facebook.com/ClickAnOnlineLoveStory/?ref=hl) and [www.pinterest.com/lisawbecker/](http://www.pinterest.com/lisawbecker/).*

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## Generation Tux Launches Nationwide Search for First Couple of 2016 to Have Celebrity Wedding in Times Square





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By Mackenzie Scibetta

Do you find yourself plagued with stress trying to plan you and your loved one's wedding? Is it impacting your relationship and love? Hiring a wedding planner can be expensive so why not enter to win a once in a lifetime dream ceremony, envying any [celebrity wedding](#), to be the first couple married in 2016! Sponsored by Generation Tux, an online tux rental company, the ceremony will take place in Times Square on New Year's Eve in front of the entire world.

## **National Search For New Year's Eve Couple to Receive Their Own Celebrity Wedding**

The "First Couple of 2016" contest is hoping to find America's most romantic couple, so for all you lovebirds out there this is your opportunity. The contest will take place until November 1. Couples can enter by creating a 60-second video

describing why they deserve to have the most iconic, celebrity wedding of the year. The ceremony will mimic a scene straight out of a Hollywood relationship movie, having the CEO of Generation Tux, George Zimmer, officiating the ceremony. The two finalist couples will be announced on November 16 and will both be flown to New York City to participate in the festivities by receiving couples massages, VIP tickets to the Hard Rock Cafe New Year's Eve party, and overnight accommodations at The Chatwal.

The winner of the "most romantic couple" title will be announced right before the Ball drops at midnight. They will then exchange vows in front of millions of excited Americans. After the whirlwind ceremony the newly-wed couple will go on a seven-night honeymoon at Moon Palace Golf & Spa Resort, a five-star Palace Resorts hotel in Cancun, just like the best celebrity vacations. Even the runner-up couple will get to feel like royalty as they will also enjoy a three-night honeymoon.

*To submit your love story and enter to win a wedding of a lifetime, couples can visit [www.firstcoupleof2016.com](http://www.firstcoupleof2016.com). For more information on Generation Tux, visit [www.generationtux.com](http://www.generationtux.com).*

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## **Product Review: Get Ready for Date Night Faster with the BeachWaver S1 Curling Iron**



*This post is sponsored by BeachWaver Co.*

By Mackenzie Scibetta

Spending hours doing your hair and make-up for [date night](#) is not only a hassle but a complete waste of time and energy too. The last thing you want to do is lock yourself in the bathroom after a long day at work! Thanks to the BeachWaver S1, you can spend less time creating those celebrity curls and more time cuddling with your honey. Check out our product review below for more details about this innovative curling iron.

## Product Review: Prep for Your Next Date Night with the BeachWaver S1

Offering a unique spin on the traditional curling iron, the BeachWaver S1 has a ceramic barrel that rotates on its own. Created by acclaimed celebrity hairstylist Sarah Potempa, the

curling iron performs at two different speeds (slow or fast) and also has a temperature range from 290 to 410 degrees. Faster speeds and hotter temperatures mean you can be out the door and ready for date night quicker than ever before!

Potempa developed this product specifically for women who have difficulty styling their hair. While the iron will do a majority of the work for you, it also gives you the feeling of being completely in control with an arrow button that provides rotation control as well as a home button that resets the clamp to the start position. No matter what type of hair you have, the BeachWaver S1 will leave you feeling glamorous and ready to take on the world!

With this styling tool, resembling your favorite celebrity's hair is no longer an unachievable goal. Whether you opt for loose and beauty waves like [Lauren Conrad](#) or defined, cascading curls like [Blake Lively](#), you'll feel like a star on your next date night.

*You can purchase the BeachWaver S1 curling iron and other BeachWaver products at [beachwaver.com](http://beachwaver.com).*

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## **Product Review: Wear Isabelle Grace Jewelry's Stackable Gemstone Bangles on Your Next Date Night**





By Samantha Vlahos

October is the heart of fall. The leaves are finally changing, and so is your nail color. Flirty dresses and sandals are replaced with sweaters, jeans, and boots. Pastels and bright colors are relegated to the back of your closet, while deep plum, navy blue, and military green take center stage. If you're still looking for the perfect fall accessory for your next [date night](#), consider Isabelle Grace Jewelry's stackable gemstone bracelets, which come in five shades to complement any fall look. Check out our product review below!

## Wear Isabelle Grace Jewelry on Your Next Date Night

[Isabelle Grace Jewelry stackable gemstone bangles](#) are 8mm Swarovski chatons, hand set into a silver- or gold-plated bracelet. With a stone size of about 1.5 carats, the bracelets

are available in burgundy, metallic blue, khaki, silver night, and white opal. These adjustable bands will add an extra bit of sparkle to your next night out. You can wear one on its own, layer them together, or even stack them with other bracelets. The options are endless!

It's easy to see why ladies adore them: They're unique yet timeless. They're a statement piece, but the simplicity of the design makes them perfect to wear anytime. Isabelle Grace Jewelry carefully crafts their products from the best materials and by people who truly love creating beautiful things that never go out of style.

If you want to impress your man on your next date night, add these stackable bangles to your outfit for a chic and elegant look. Be prepared for an endless amount of compliments from your sweetheart!

**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will receive an Isabelle Grace Jewelry stackable gemstone bangle in the color of their choice to spice up their date night look this fall! To enter our giveaway, complete the form on our Contact Page BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, October 19th. Pick "Giveaways" in the dropdown menu and include your name and address as well as "Isabelle Grace Jewelry" in the message field. You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!

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## Move Over, Broadway! Paper

# Mill Playhouse Introduces 'The Bandstand'



*This post is sponsored by Paper Mill Playhouse.*

By Katelyn Di Salvo

Looks like Broadway has some competition on it's hands with Paper Mill Playhouse's latest never-before-seen musical show, [\*The Bandstand\*](#). This play makes for a perfect [weekend date idea](#) with your loved one.

Paper Mill Playhouse is a not-for-profit organization that has been entertaining audiences with their live theatre performances since 1938! Now, the regional theater group is launching it's exciting 2015-2016 season with, *The Bandstand*. A sizzling new big-band swing musical that features live band

music, explosive choreography and a beautifully crafted narrative.

## **Weekend Date Idea: Check Out the Musical Show That's Giving Broadway a Run For It's Money**

*The Bandstand* tells the story of a mismatched band of military veterans, joined together by the driven and inspired character of Donny Novitski, played by the very talented actor and singer Corey Cott. The band competes in a national radio contest in New York City, where the winners will receive instant stardom! While on their journey to fame, the group struggles with complicated relationships, the demands of the competition and the challenging after-effects of the war. This makes winning the contest seem like nothing more than a fantasy. The plot thickens as a love story develops between Donny and Julia (played by Tony Award nominee Laura Osnes).

Cott and Osnes have been friends for a few years and have incredible chemistry on stage. Cott describes working with Osnes as "a dream come true."

What makes this play so incredibly unique compared to other Broadway shows is that a portion of the music is integrated into the story and played live on stage. There are 12 pieces in the orchestra pit and six pieces on stage. This can be extremely difficult to manage, but works so well in *The Bandstand*.



The cast of 'The Bandstand.'

The play is directed and choreographed by Tony Award winner, Andy Blankenbuehler, who describes the live music on stage as, "a very big sound, a sound that will get people out of their seats and dancing." The play also features a book and lyrics by Richard Oberacker and Robert Taylor and stars Tony Award winner Beth Leavel. The musical numbers are charged with emotion and leave you hanging onto every note. Cott and Osnes pour their souls into every number and really dedicate themselves to their character.

Aside from *The Bandstand*, Paper Mill Playhouse has a line up of great shows including, *A Christmas Story*, *The Bronx Tale*, *Pump Boys and Dinettes* and *Westside Story*! Located in Millburn, New Jersey it's like having Broadway in your backyard!

So will the band make it to stardom? Or will the tension within the group destroy their chances? Find out for yourself by taking a quick trip to Millburn, N.J., and visiting the Paper Mill Playhouse on October 8th through November 8th. *The Bandstand* will be performed eight times a week, Wednesday through Sunday. Tickets are on sale now, so buy two tickets one for you and one for your significant other and have a romantic 'dinner and a show' [date night](#)! Visit [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org) to get yours today!

*Disclaimer: The Bandstand contains strong language and adult themes. Recommended for ages 13 and up.*

**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will get the chance to win two tickets to see *The Bandstand* at the Paper Mill Playhouse located in Millburn, N.J. To enter our giveaway, email [cupid@cupidspulse.com](mailto:cupid@cupidspulse.com) with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number. The contest ends next Friday, October 9th at noon EST. Good luck!

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## Throw a 'Gilmore Girls' Viewing Party and Get Love Advice from the Series







*This post is sponsored by UPtv.*

By Mackenzie Scibetta

Although the eccentric mother-daughter duo of Lorelai and Rory Gilmore have sadly been off of television for eight years, their charming bond will live on as UPtv has just acquired all seven seasons of the beloved show *Gilmore Girls*. Starting on Oct. 4 at 10 a.m. EST, you and your besties can fall back into the storybook town of Stars Hollow to watch 15 hours of heartbreaks, budding romances, and sweet friendships that will leave you with relationship and love advice for years to come. Rivaling any [celebrity relationship](#), Lorelai and Rory's lovable dynamic truly shows what family is all about. If you really want to immerse yourself in this complicated family drama, throw a viewing party with your girlfriends to welcome them back!

***Gilmore Girls Viewing Party***



# Essentials

To ensure that your *Gilmore Girls* viewing party runs smoothly, make sure you have an endless supply of snacks. Lorelai and Rory always ate an impressive amount of sweets and junk food – don't be scared to indulge for the sake of the Gilmore's! Since they loved take-out, order a few pizzas and some Chinese food, and you'll be set. Lorelai also had a soft spot for breakfast diner food (and who can blame her?). Have a carton of eggs, some pancake mix, and a package of bacon on hand to help you and your friends feel right at home. Comfort food always has a way of sparking deep conversations, so be ready to dish out some of your best [relationship advice](#) to your pals.

An interesting way to keep the energy flowing throughout your marathon is by holding a coffee drinking contest. When it comes to beverages, you may recall that this mother-daughter duo were notorious for the amount of coffee they managed to drink each day. You and your friends can try to keep up with them, coffee for coffee! As an added bonus, this game help you and your guests stay awake and alert until the last episode airs at 3 a.m. EST.

Another fun way to keep you entertained and enlightened during the marathon is to see who can identify the most pop culture references on the show. Some references are so subtle and cleverly said that they're easy to miss! In addition to watching out for those pop culture references, you will see pop-up facts that UPtv will reveal throughout each episode to highlight Gilmore "firsts" and other trivia. Gather as much knowledge as you can to become the ultimate *Gilmore Girls* fan!



One lucky CupidsPulse.com reader can enter to win this 'Gilmore Girls' fan pack! More details below.

## Keep Your Eyes Peeled For These Must-Watch Episodes and Love Advice

**1. "Kiss and Tell" (Season 1, Episode 7):** This episode marks the true start of Rory and Dean's whirlwind relationship, as he gives Rory her first kiss in the middle of a grocery store aisle. Romance is rarely as glamorous and smoothly-planned as it seems on television, so this episode provides a refreshing take on this milestone and shows that it's okay for love to be clumsy.

**2. "The Breakup, Part 2" (Season 1, Episode 17):** Seeing Rory utterly heartbroken over the end of her and Dean's short-lived romance broke not only our hearts but also Lorelai's. Attempting to overcome her split with a rebound kiss from the irresistible Tristan, played by Chad Michael Murray, Rory shows us that sometimes nothing can heal heartache, not even a steamy lip-lock. Rory leaves Tristan to wallow at home, demonstrating that grieving is totally acceptable.

**3. "They Shoot Gilmores, Don't They?" (Season 3, Episode 7):** This episode has everything: choreographed dance numbers,

love triangles, and the start of Rory and Jess (who were actually a celebrity couple in real life for four years!). Although it's heartbreaking to see Dean call it off with Rory (again), watching Lorelai come and save the day reinstates that she's the best mom in the world. The episode reminds us that the end of one relationship opens the door to many others.

**4. "Raincoats and Recipes" (Season 4, Episode 22):** Lorelai finally opens up her dream Dragonfly Inn for a test-run, and her life finally appears to be going uphill. On the opposite side, Rory uncharacteristically loses her virginity to Dean, who is married. All the while, Lorelai's parents admit to being separated. This episode is an emotional roller coaster from the beginning, and it lets viewers see how chaotic and confusing love can be.

**5. "Written in the Stars" (Season 5, Episode 3):** This episode was long-awaited by many fans: Luke and Lorelai finally go on their first official date together. Luke proves to be more caring than he appears after he shows Lorelai he has saved the horoscope she gave him eight years ago. This episode proves that soulmates really do exist and that Luke and Lorelai are meant to be, even though it took an extremely long time for them to figure that out!

**6. "Wedding Bell Blues" (Season 5, Episode 13):** On the 100th episode, Lorelai's parents rekindle their relationship and love and renew their vows, while Rory and Logan almost make their romance official. This episode highlights that every relationship can survive rough patches. After all, the stubborn Emily and Richard were able to find their way back to each other again.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** If you're looking to expand your *Gilmore Girls* memorabilia, then we have the perfect fan pack for you! The bag will include a Luke's Diner coffee mug, an "I drink more coffee than a Gilmore" t-shirt, a 9-piece candle set, a mouse~~

~~pad, an over-sized novelty pen, wristbands, and *Gilmore Girls*-inspired snacks. One lucky CupidsPulse.com reader can win this pack by sharing this article on social media (and tagging @cupidspulse and @UPtv) or commenting directly on this post. The contest ends on Monday, October 5th at 10 a.m. EST.~~

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**This giveaway is now closed. Thank you to all who participated!**

*If you want more Gilmore Girls facts, follow UPtv on Twitter @UPtv, [www.facebook.com/UPtv](http://www.facebook.com/UPtv), and [www.instagram.com/up\\_tv/?hl=en](http://www.instagram.com/up_tv/?hl=en). Don't forget to tune in for the marathon on Oct. 4 at 10 a.m. EST!*

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## **Product Review: Curb Your Nicotine Craving and Find Love With Aqua-tine™!**





*This post is sponsored by Aqua-tine™.*

By Ryan Bonner

Calling all smokers! Are you looking for a relationship and love but feel like your cigarette habit is holding you back? Are you ready to improve your health and live in a smoke-free environment? If your answer to these questions is "yes," then Aqua-tine™ is the way to go. This amazing product, which meets the Food and Drug Administration requirements for over-the-counter homeopathic drugs, is a completely new approach to a tobacco alternative. Check out our product review below to learn more about how to curb your nicotine craving!

## **Curb Your Nicotine Craving, Thanks to This Product Review**

Aqua-tine™ is a modern and socially-acceptable alternative to cigarettes, cigars, and smokeless tobacco. The three-ingredient formula is colorless and tasteless, making it easy to mix it into your drink of choice (excluding alcoholic beverages and energy drinks). Aqua-tine™ is great for

situations where you have the urge to smoke but are unable to, like during a road trip with your new beau or while meeting their parents for the first time. You can even use it on an airplane! It temporarily relieves your tobacco craving without all of those damaging carcinogens that are found in cigarettes.

The next time you're on a first date with someone special, instead of having to step outside of the restaurant to smoke, you can discreetly mix an Aqua-tine™ packet into your drink. You can use up to two packets per hour if needed, and chances are, thanks to its small, 2.4 milliliter size, your date won't even notice that you're using a tobacco alternative. If you follow this love advice, you won't miss out on time spent getting to know each other. Plus, you won't drive them away with the smell of smoke when they lean in for that first kiss!

If you're already in a committed partnership, Aqua-tine™ can help strengthen your bond with your significant other by giving you what you want most: more time together. You won't have to put a pause on cooking dinner or leave in the middle of a movie to get your cigarette fix. An added bonus? Your home, car, and clothes won't smell like smoke anymore! It's a win-win for both of you.

This new way of controlling your nicotine craving will show you great results that will positively impact your search for a relationship and love. Grab a drink, mix it in, and live your life without having to take a cigarette break. It's that simple! If you're ready to change your health and lifestyle for the better, visit Aqua-tine™ to purchase a 12-pack for only \$6.95. Enter **FREEAQ12** to get a free sample when you checkout.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** If you're ready to curb your nicotine craving and find love, Aqua-tine™ is the product for you! One lucky CupidsPulse.com reader will win a FREE Aqua-tine™ 12-pack by sharing this article on social media (and tagging @cupidspulse~~

and @Aqua\_Tine) or commenting directly on this post. The contest ends on Wednesday, July 15th at 10 a.m. EST. Good luck!

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## **Product Review: Check Out Selfie Tan'n Go Instant Bronzers – Just in Time for Summer!**







*This post is sponsored by Performance Brands.*

By Emma L. Wells

Summer is around the corner, and Selfie Tan'n Go Instant Bronzers are just what you need to be ready for some fun in the sun with your honey! This amazing [beauty product](#) will give your skin that perfect golden glow without damaging UV rays or harsh chemicals. Check out our product review below!

## **Product Review: Use This Beauty Product for an Instant Glow!**

Selfie Tan'n Go Instant Body Bronzer from Performance Brand is alcohol-, paraben-, DHA-, and fragrance-free, so it's moisturizing for your skin and doesn't have that weird smell that so many other body bronzers have. And unlike other fake tanners, Selfie Tan'n Go uses bursting bronzing beads to eliminate streaks and make application flawless. It even has skin firming and toning properties that help reduce the visibility of fine lines and wrinkles.

Just because the weather's warmer doesn't mean we all have time to relax and catch some rays. Thanks to this instant body bronzer, you can get that beautiful sun-kissed glow in just a few minutes. It's a perfect last-minute product to use while prepping for a dinner date with your man or a pool party with your pals. Not only does Selfie Tan'n Go dry instantly, but it washes off easily with just soap and water.

With this beauty product, you're in charge of your color. Use a thin layer to get a lightly bronzed look, or try multiple applications to get a darker tan.

You'll want to complete your look with Selfie Tan'n Go Instant Face Bronzer. It can be used alone or under makeup. Similar to the Body Bronzer, it's non-comedogenic and fragrance-free and uses revolutionary bronzing beads for a swift, streak-free glow. Plus, you can easily wash it off whenever you want. Use this set of bronzers to quickly get a perfect tan from head to toe!

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will receive a prize package of Selfie Tan'n Go Instant Bronzers to help them look instantly flawless for a summer date! To enter our giveaway, complete the form on our [Contact Page](#) BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, June 1st. Pick "Giveaways" in the dropdown box and include your address as well as "Selfie Tan'n Go Instant Bronzers Giveaway" in the message field. You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

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# Product Review: Get Fit with Gaiam's New Versatile Spring Workout Attire!



*This post is sponsored by Gaiam.*

By Jenna Bagcal

The start of spring symbolizes new beginnings, whether they are in friendships, love, or your fitness routine. To get ready for summer and shed those extra pounds you might have gained over the long winter months, get fit with Gaiam's new versatile spring workout gear! In this product review, learn about the Curve Capris and the Hooded Petal Long Sleeve Tee, both of which are perfect to wear during your workout and long after you're finished at the gym. These stylish workout

clothes are functional *and* fashionable, so you can plan a fitness [date idea](#) for you and your honey or wear them while running errands after spin class.

## Get a Fresh Start With Your Fitness Routine, Thanks to This Gaiam Product Review

In celebrity gossip magazines, stars are photographed going to the gym, grabbing lunch, or walking their dogs in cute and comfortable fitness clothes. Thanks to Gaiam, you can emulate your favorite A-listers with two of the company's products from their new line of spring apparel. Make sure you stay stylish and comfortable, whether you're working out or hanging out!

The first item in our product review is the Curve Capris, which fit on the body snugly while still allowing for a wide range of movement during exercise. These capris sell for \$60 and come in five fun colors, from true blue to a funky black gaia print. They feature SOFTech Fabric, a super soft, breathable, and quick-drying fabric that is perfect for warm spring and summer workouts. The mesh detailing and ruching in the fabric adds a fashionable touch to your everyday performance wear. Plus, the wide waistband on adds comfort as well as convenience, thanks to a small pocket inside to store items like keys and chapstick.

Pair your comfy Curve Capris with Gaiam's Hooded Petal Long Sleeve Tee, which can be worn three different ways. This hoodie not only looks and feels great, but the convertibility adds variety to your workout gear and makes it feel like you have three different shirts in one! This \$46 long-sleeve tee comes in three colors and features the ultra-comfortable SOFTech Fabric. The slouchy hood can be worn over the head, off the shoulder, or as a cowl neck to make sure you stay chic

during your workouts or while casually hanging out with your beau.

Both of these products run from sizes small to extra large and can be purchased on [Gaiam.com](http://Gaiam.com).

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## Product Review: Smell Good on Your Next Date Night, Thanks to Sen7 Fizz!



*This post was sponsored by ProductJunkies.com.*

By Meranda Yslas

If you want to smell good while you're out on a date, on the way to a meeting, or catching up with friends for drinks, this product review of Sen7 Fizz is for you! It's not easy to carry around a big bottle of perfume, and that's where the Sen7 Fizz comes in handy.

## Product Review: Carry Your Favorite Scent With You

The Sen7 Fizz is a refillable perfume atomizer – perfect for people who are always on the go but still want to smell their best. It's small enough to fit in your purse or pocket, and it can carry whatever powerful scent you like best. With its easy-to-fill system, all you need to do is twist off the spray head from any perfume that you already own, place the Sen7 Fizz on the bottle, and pump it to fill. Just like that, your favorite perfume is now ready to be used whenever and wherever!

Did your man make a last-minute reservations and you don't have time to freshen up? No problem – you can take your go-to scent with you! Pay attention to our product review and consider this dating advice. After all, the Sen7 Fizz is perfect to throw in your favorite clutch on your next date night. It's even small enough to be placed in your carry-on luggage for a flight without any hassle from security. So if you and your beau plan a fun date idea out your home state, you can be sure that you smell nice while you're gone.

The product comes in four different colors. The pink 'Sparkling Diva' atomizer is great when you're feeling flirty and fun, and your hubby can use the sleek, black 'Mr. & Mrs. Bond' holder. Find the case that matches your personality!

**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will receive a ProductJunkies.com gift basket that includes: a Sen 7 Fizz atomizer (\$25), a variety of Maskeraide masks (\$72), and a

Frais gift set (\$30). To enter our giveaway, complete the form on our Contact Page BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, May 18th. Pick "Giveaways" in the dropdown box and include your address as well as "Sen 7 Fizz Giveaway" in the message field. You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!

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*For more information, check out [ProductJunkies.com](http://ProductJunkies.com), a site that carries only the newest and hottest personal care items!*

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## Online Dating Site Celebrates Birthday: Match.com Is Turning 20!







*This post is sponsored by Match.com.*

By Meranda Yslas

The way people find relationships and love has been constantly evolving because of technology, and Match.com was one of the first companies to help with this change. After 20 years, this well-known online dating website has created over a quarter of a billion matches, started more than 10 million relationships, and helped “make” more than a million babies. If these numbers don’t convince you of Match.com’s reliability, then maybe a few online dating success stories can.

## **The First Successful Relationship and Love Story on Match.com**

In 1995, at the start of the dating site, Bill and Freddi logged in online, not realizing they were going to be the first couple to meet on Match.com. The two had previous marriages that ended, and they were looking for that special someone. “After ending a five-year relationship, a friend told me I had to go on Match.com and meet someone my age and

eventually think about getting married again. I met many men and was just about ready to give up before I saw Bill's profile. He was exactly what I was looking for," shares Freddi.

**Related Link:** [Match.com Studies Singles in America](#)

After about a week of emailing and talking on the phone, the two finally met for a lunch date. But it was during the beginning of their second date that Freddi knew Bill was The One. She greeted him at the door with a paper bag over her head after getting a bad perm. "He laughed and loved it, and that was it! It was a done deal," she says.

After a few years of dating, Bill proposed to Freddi, and the two had their wedding on January 1, 2000. They have been married ever since.

## Three Times Is a Charm: Persistence is Key When It Comes to Online Dating

Of course, Bill and Freddi are not the only success story from Match.com. CupidsPulse.com Founder and Executive Editor [Lori Bizzoco](#) also met her husband on the famous online dating site. Lori first tried Match.com around 1997 after a long-term relationship and love had ended. Although she met several men online, this type of dating was so new and unfamiliar that she didn't pursue it further. Around 2003, Lori's younger sister convinced her to try Match.com again and helped her set up a new profile. The site had grown tremendously since Lori had used it last, and she went on date after date. But when she still wasn't finding that special someone, she gave up on the online dating world for a second time.

**Related Link:** [Match.com Singles in America Study Breaks Down the World of Modern Relationships and Love](#)

It wasn't until 2006 when she and a friend took a trip to South America that she had a spiritual awakening and premonition that she would meet someone as soon as she got back from the trip and that they would be married the following year (needless to say, the friend she was traveling with thought she had completely lost it). As soon as Lori got home, she made a commitment to enter the process of looking for love with an open mind, and she threw away the long checklist that had been holding her back from finding Mr. Right.

Once again, Lori uploaded a new photo of herself to Match.com and updated her profile. She got dozens and dozens of messages. Within two days, she received a message from a man who she had gone on a date with three years prior but never returned his call when he asked her on a second date. She remembered that he was very successful, good-looking, and nice, but at the time, she wrote him off as not her type. She decided to give him another chance – and it's a good thing she did. They got along great, and NINE WEEKS later, he proposed! Today, Lori and her husband are still married and have two beautiful daughters.

Lori says, "Match.com is a great way to meet someone if you just open your heart to the opportunity and live in the moment. You may need to go on several dates, and it could take kissing a few frogs before you find someone special, but all it takes is just ONE person for a happily ever after."

Congratulations to [Match.com](https://www.match.com) on 20 years of matching couples and creating romantic relationships!

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# Product Review: Find Out How My Amazing Blow Dry Secret Will Save You Time



*This post is sponsored by Performance Brands.*

By Emma L. Wells

Do you want a beautiful blow out without the time and hassle? Then, our product review of My Amazing Blow Dry Secret is for you! This line of haircare products from Performance Brands makes blow drying your hair easier and faster than ever, giving you more time to spend with your honey.

# My Amazing Blow Dry Secret Product Review

Prep your hair with the My Amazing Blow Dry Secret Shampoo and Conditioner. This beauty product pair uses coconut oil to lock in moisture, and as a bonus, it smells amazing. Not only does this shampoo and conditioner allow for stress-free styling, but they're color-safe too. They'll leave your hair looking shiny and feeling silky for your next date night.

The concentrated antioxidants and acai fruit extracts protect your hair from the damage and breakage often caused by heat. Sunflower seed extract stays in your hair to keep repairing it all day long. Plus, it stops hair color from fading. The My Amazing Blow Dry Secret line also uses hydrolyzed vegetable proteins to leave even the most damaged hair looking healthy and naturally voluminous.

The next step to get a salon style blowout is to use the Quick Dry Shake'n Spray. This works as a heat protector, leave-in-conditioner, and anti-static spray. It cuts blow dry time *in half* and can be used on wet, damp, or even dry hair.

Users agree that this beauty product is perfection. People love the smell and texture and attest that it really does cut down your blow dry time. That's great news for when you're rushing out the door for a date! You'll have more time to try a new lipstick color or plan the perfect outfit, and you won't have to worry about leaving your man waiting while you get ready. Happy primping!

**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** ~~One lucky reader will receive a prize package of My Amazing Blow Dry Secret beauty products to help them look instantly flawless for a summer date! To enter our giveaway, complete the form on our [Contact Page](#) BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, May 4th. Pick "Giveaways" in the dropdown box and include your address as well as "My Amazing Blow Dry~~

Secret Giveaway" in the message field. You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!

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# Gaiam Product Review: Stay Fit During Pregnancy with Desi Bartlett!



*This post is sponsored by Gaiam.*



By [Rebecca White](#)

Learning how to listen to your body is of the utmost importance, especially during pregnancy. While you're waiting for your bundle of joy to arrive, prenatal yoga will calm your mind, relax you, and build your endurance to prepare you for the journey of motherhood. To help pregnant women everywhere, Gaiam has teamed up with renowned yoga expert Desi Bartlett to create a new workout DVD called [Prenatal Yoga Workout with Desi Bartlett](#). With our product review, find out how you can stay calm throughout your pregnancy and learn some helpful love advice for you and your honey during this time!

## Product Review of Prenatal Yoga DVD

Prenatal yoga can be very beneficial for your relationship and love life by keeping you stress-free, fit, and centered. However, it will be even *more* beneficial for your baby as he grows in your belly. "Prenatal exercise, including prenatal yoga, is associated with more efficient oxygen exchange for the baby as well as less clinical interventions during labor and delivery," Bartlett shares. "It helps with easier labor and delivery as well as recovery time after birth. A sense of calm, security, and trust in our bodies allows mama to remember that her body was designed for this."

Bartlett, who has over 20 years of experience and has worked with many celebrities, designed the prenatal yoga workout in two sequences so that women would be able to practice yoga in safe, effective segments while achieving inner tranquility. The first sequence is Strong Mama Yoga Workout, which is perfect for increasing strength and endurance, both of which are needed throughout pregnancy and labor. The second sequence is Cool Mama Sequence, which is a great way to maintain flexibility and connect to a deep sense of center and tranquility. Together, they take just over an hour to



complete.

The DVD, which currently sells for \$14.98, includes modifications for all three trimesters and allows for adjustments based on energy levels. It also features a warm up and cool down session as well as a Mommy and Me workout for after the baby is born – a quick, six-minute workout designed for new moms to connect with their baby.

Bartlett leaves us with three pieces of advice for staying fit during pregnancy: Don't forget to breathe; workout for five to ten minutes and see how you feel; and squat! "Enjoy your strength and work with it. If you are feeling more mellow, then allow for that, and take it down a little bit to accommodate your body's needs that day," she explains. "If there is a feeling of weakness, extreme fatigue, or nausea, it's time to stop and consult your medical professional."

Staying fit during pregnancy won't just make your labor and delivery easier. It'll help you bond with your baby and also ensure that you continue to feel sexy for your partner, improving your relationship and love life in amazing ways. You'll be surrounded by good energy before you meet your newest addition!

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## **Product Review: Get Beautiful Hair Like Your Favorite Stars with MACVOIL and Cure.ology!**



*This post is sponsored by MACVOIL and Cure.0logy.*

By Jenna Bagcal and Shirley Leung

Whether you're preparing for a hot dinner date or just need a quick pick-me-up for your frizzy tresses, you'll definitely want to check out these hair care essentials from MACVOIL and Cure.0logy. If you want to emulate that shiny and thick hair that you see on all your favorite stars in [celebrity photos](#), read more in our product review and discover why you should try the MACVOIL anti-aging products and the Cure.0logy voluminous hair care line.

## Product Review: Get Healthy Hair with MACVOIL and Cure.0logy!

Healthy, beautiful hair is an important thing to maintain, but hair care needs are unique to each individual. This product

review targets two of the biggest problems that women have when dealing their hair: frizzy texture and a lack of volume. With these products from MACVOIL and Cure.0logy, you can increase your confidence and say “goodbye” to your hair woes. Think about how great you’ll look and feel on your next date too!

When you’re browsing your favorite celebrity gossip websites, they are filled with images of A-listers who have shiny and silky tresses. If your hair is looking dull and lackluster, check out the anti-aging hair care line from MACVOIL that works to reverse the damaging effects of the environment and excessive heat styling. These products have everything that you’ll need to restore the healthy oils and nutrients that your hair loses over time. Plus, they encourage healthy hair growth from the root. When used in tandem, these items will ensure your hair is in its healthiest state possible.

If you find that your hair is a bit limp and lifeless, then the Cure.0logy voluminous set can put the desired bounce back into your tired locks, thanks to their special “keratin nanotechnology.” This three-piece set from Cure.0logy includes the voluminous shampoo, conditioner, and spray and is recommended for women with normal or fine hair textures. The products are made from a range of beneficial ingredients, such as oats, whole wheat, quinoa, vitamins, and Omega-3. They will give you the boost of volume and texture that you are looking for!

The hair care lines from MACVOIL and Cure.0logy are safe for use on color-treated hair and are never tested on animals. All products are also paraben free and contain only natural ingredients.

**~~GIVEAWAY ALERT:~~** ~~One winner will receive a MACVOIL anti-aging/anti-fade set, and another winner will receive a Cure.0logy volume set, valued at 72 dollars each. To enter our giveaway, complete the form on our Contact Page BEFORE 5 p.m.~~

~~EST on Monday, April 20th. Pick "Giveaways" in the dropdown box and include your address as well as "MACVOIL and Cure.ology Giveaway" in the message field. Be sure to let us know what set you'd prefer too! You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

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**This giveaway is now closed. Thank you to all who participated!**

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## **Product Review: Help Your Friend Move On After a Break-Up With the Bounce Back Box**





*This post was sponsored by NeverLikedItAnyway.com.*

By Shirley Leung

Is your BFF going through a rough break-up? Is she struggling to give away that diamond necklace her ex gave her four years ago? Help her kick her break-up blues goodbye with NeverLikedItAnyway.com, a new and innovative way to let go of your past and move on after heartbreak. Getting rid of those things that remind you of your ex is a great piece of love advice, but it's easier said than done, which is where this site can help. In our product review, discover why NeverLikedItAnyway.com is just what your girlfriend needs for a fresh start! It's the new eBay... but for break-ups.

## Product Review: How to Get Over Past Relationships and Love

With the option to buy or sell used items – whether it's as small as a t-shirt that smells like him or as big as a sparkly engagement ring – users can finally get rid of items that are haunting them. For instance, following a divorce, a ring

retailing for 6,000 dollars is being sold for nearly half the price at only 3,400 dollars. Not only does the site help ease people of their woes post-split, but it also acts as a marketplace to score items at awesome deals (or “break-up priced”).

Even without her ex’s “stuff” laying around, a failed relationship and love can be hard to recover from, so the website also includes their [Bounce Back Box](#) to make the process easier for your pal. The box includes over 100 dollars worth of items but sells for only 40 dollars. It’s a great gift if you want to support your newly single friend and can be a good complement to all the love advice you’ve been giving her! Your BFF is sure to start feeling fabulous again with several of the pick-me-up items found in the box, including Elizabeth Mott mascara, Buxom lip gloss, Kitsch hair ties, and online dating passes from Match.com.

Help your friend say “take that!” to her break-up with NeverLikedItAnyway.com and the Bounce Back Box, and be prepared to see her smile again!

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