

# Gaiam Product Review: Learn Yoga and the Art of Self-Love with Rachel Brathen





Learn how yoga can benefit your relationship & love in this Gaiam product review. Rachel Brathen shares love advice through two new yoga programs. Photo courtesy of Gaiam.

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By Jenna Bagcal

One of the first steps of being able to love someone else is to learn how to love yourself. Yoga instructor, motivational speaker, and *Yoga Girl* author, Rachel Brathen, illustrates the importance of this love advice through her yoga programs. As she shares on her website, “My practice is all about self-love. I want people to come to their mat to be happy and to laugh.” In partnership with Gaiam, the fitness guru is offering two digital-only yoga collections: *Find Your Purpose* and *Release & Let Go!* With our product review, find out how you can become the best version of yourself in your everyday life as well as in your [relationship and love](#).

# Product Review of Rachel Brathen's Digital Yoga Collections

The first of the two collections is called *Find Your Purpose* and is meant to “leave you feeling empowered, energized, and self-aware.” The skills gained from this yoga collection can put you on the path to loving yourself while simultaneously benefiting your relationship and love life. There are five 20-minute Vinsaya flow practices that are included in this collection, including the *Everything is Ok* flow, which is a calm and nurturing start for your day, or the *Rise & Shine* flow to give you that much-needed burst of energy in the morning.

The second collection from Brathen is called *Release & Let Go!* This program, which also features five 20-minute flows, is designed to target areas in your body where you hold a lot of tension. The yogi encourages you to “listen to what your body is telling you” with *The Shoulder Unfolder*, which targets the shoulders, neck, and upper back. Or you can work up a sweat with the *Twist & Shout*, a series that stretches your body to leave you feeling refreshed. Releasing this stress is an important part of loving yourself and becoming a better you for your significant other.

Both of Brathen's programs are available to purchase on Gaia.com for \$25 each or \$40 for both. They are available to use on a variety of platforms, including iOS, Roku, Chromecast, Mac, and PC. Since they're digital, you can practice yoga anywhere! So put on your cutest workout clothes, grab your yoga mat, and head to your sweetie's apartment to bond with him while doing these flows.

For more information about these two yoga programs, check out [Gaia.com](http://Gaia.com). Stay tuned for our interview with Rachel about her new book *Yoga Girl!*

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# Product Review: Make M&M'S® a Part of Your Oscars Celebration!



*This product review is sponsored by M&M'S®.*

By Jenna Bagcal

There are pairs of things that just make sense together, like cookies and milk, peanut butter and jelly, or strawberries and champagne. The same thing can be said for award shows and M&M'S®. With the 87th Academy Awards less than a week away, some of you may be thinking about throwing a viewing party. So



why not consider making this delicious chocolate candy a part of your Oscars 2015 celebration? Use this product review for some fun ideas!

## Date Idea For An M&M'S® Oscars Celebration

A grand event like the Academy Awards calls for a grand celebration! Even if you're just at home with your significant other or some of your close couple friends, this M&M'S® and Oscars [date idea](#) can make your night red carpet worthy. Before the party starts, make sure you're stocked up with your favorite M&M'S®, whether it's the classic creamy Milk Chocolate, the tasty and crunchy Peanut, or the fun Crispy that are back by popular demand. Their colorful candy shells and chocolate filling will add a festive touch to your celebration. While you're munching on these rainbow confections, make sure to look out for the commercial that M&M'S® will be debuting on the big night.

Check out the videos below for some of Red's Red Carpet Tips to make your celebration on Sunday, Feb. 22 even better!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kkf3ybtpvis>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mpAE9su0yHA>

There are a wide variety of treats you can make using M&M'S® that are sure to satisfy any sweet tooth. Add Crispy M&M'S® to brownies for a crunchy surprise, or bake M&M'S® cookies as a fun alternative to your usual chocolate chip version. Get creative with your recipes, and don't be afraid to mix all three varieties together for a completely unique experience! For a final touch to your decor, lay out a "red

carpet” path toward the dessert table with the tasty M&M’S® treats you made for your guests.

At the end of the night, send your guests home with some swag bags – just like the Oscars attendees – and fill them with cool and fun items you think they will love. Don’t forget to include some M&M’S® in there too!

**What are some of your favorite ways to enjoy M&M’S®? Share them with us below and on social media!**

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## **Match.com Singles In America Study Breaks Down the World of Modern Relationships and Love**





*This post is sponsored by Match.com.*

By Katelyn Di Salvo

Modern dating has a set of new rules along with new gadgets and online dating apps. With the click of a button or the swipe of a finger, you could make a night of ice cream and Netflix into one filled with wine and gourmet food. It's no secret that technology has changed the dating game in so many ways. As if being single wasn't hard enough, now there's even more to know when you're searching for a relationship and love!

## **Match.com Reveals Statistics About Singles Looking for a Relationship and Love**

In collaboration with The Second City Communications, Match.com and Singles In America (SIA) set up an afternoon of cocktails, food, and fun. In the Cutting Room in New York City, Match.com had a live streaming of their fifth

comprehensive dating survey. The study, conducted by Research Now in association with renowned anthropologist Dr. Helen Fisher and evolutionary biologist Dr. Justin R. Garcia, polled the attitudes and behaviors of 5,675 U.S. single men and women between the ages of 18 and 70+. Their findings shed some light on how to date in the digital world and the ways in which technology is impacting courtship, sexual behaviors, gender roles, and hot-button issues.

This year's results indicate that there is an "etiquette for a new era," meaning that new technology and media lead to new habits and rules for dating. SIA found that both single men and women (54 percent of women and 33 percent of men, to be exact) find misspellings and incorrect grammar to be the biggest text turn-offs. Another thing to keep in mind is many singles find too many selfies to be a bad sign.

Interestingly enough, emojis found their way into the study as well. 51 percent of singles say they use emojis to give their texts "more personality." The most popular emoji's among singles are the wink (53 percent), the smiley (38 percent), and the kiss (27 percent). During the live streaming of the results, Dr. Fisher stated that singles who used these emojis to flirt as well as kiss emoji users were more sexually satisfied.

Another interesting point that came from this year's study was what SIA called "The Clooney Effect." Like George Clooney, men were starting to seek "the new woman": someone who is smart, powerful, and self-sufficient. 87 percent of single men stated they would date a woman who makes "considerably more" money and who is better educated. Similarly, 78 percent of women want their own bank account, and 90 percent want more personal space. Does this mean men are getting lazier? According to Dr. Fisher, that's not the case. "It just means we are seeing the end of the macho man," the relationship expert explains.

As the Match.com Singles In America survey revealed, dating in the modern world means looking for a relationship and



love with more technology at your finger tips. Finding someone special is easier than ever before!

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# Product Review: Have a Valentine's Day Movie Night, Thanks to Hallmark Gold Crown and Feeln!



*This product review is sponsored by Hallmark Gold Crown and Feeln.*

By Jenna Bagcal

With Valentine's Day a little more than a week away, you're probably planning a special night out with your sweetheart that includes flowers, champagne, and a reservation at an expensive restaurant. But your festivities for this date don't have to include leaving the house. Instead, use this product review as inspiration and consider having a romantic evening indoors! From now until Feb. 14, participating Hallmark Gold Crown stores are offering a month of free movies from the movie streaming service Feeln with the purchase of a Valentine's Day card. This offer is available in-stores only while supplies last!

## Valentine's Day Product Review: Feeln

Feeln has a wide selection of Valentine's Day movies that are sure to please you and your partner this year. From Academy Award-winning films to classic Hollywood movies, they offer a wide variety of choices for you and your loved one. The streaming movie website also showcases exclusive short films and Hallmark Hall of Fame movies that can't be seen anywhere else.

If your guy is into comedies, surprise him with a home cooked meal of his favorite lasagna and a viewing of *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* or *Click*. If you want to set a romantic mood, dim the lights, fill the room with candles, and play *Sleepless in Seattle* or *Big Fish*. Whatever your preferences. Either way, don't forget to pop the cork on your best bottle of wine! Feeln is sure to have a film that's perfect for you and your beau.

The movies on Feeln can be streamed on your computers, but for a more comfortable viewing experience, this service can also be accessed on iPhones and iPads, Android devices, Apple TV, Roku players, Xbox 360, and on your television. No matter where you are, you can enjoy a movie! Just grab a blanket and

a big bowl of popcorn (or Valentine's Day chocolates), and snuggle up with your love.

*Visit your participating Hallmark store to receive a voucher for a month of free movies with Feeln. The purchase of a Valentine's Day card is required. Ends February 14, 2015.*

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## **Celebrity Interview & Giveaway: Florist David Goldstein Says to "Go the Traditional Route" for Valentine's Day**





*This post is sponsored by BloomNation.*

By Shannon Seibert

Named by *Entrepreneur* as a Top 5 Silicon Beach Startup to Watch, BloomNation caters to an exclusive and extensive clientele. The florists create and sell unique and hand-crafted original designs. More specifically, My Beverly Hills Florist, owned by celebrity florist David Goldstein, guarantees arrangements that stay away from the cliché, cookie cutter options. In 2004, he opened his floral studios in Los Angeles and Beverly Hills, and since then, he has catered to some big names in Hollywood, including Dennis Quaid, Russell Simmons, and OWN (the Oprah Winfrey Network). Business flourished due to his European flair, contemporary trends, and stunning style of floral expressions for all occasions and affairs. In our celebrity interview, Goldstein shares his best dating advice and offered his expertise to ensure that your relationships and love thrive on Valentine's Day!

# Florist Shares Dating Advice in Celebrity Interview

During the season of love, the floral industry is quite busy! There are a lot of criteria to consider when choosing what flowers to purchase, but there's one major focal point according to Goldstein. "People know about color," he says. "They know about reds, hot pinks, purples, and all of the other passionate colors. These are the colors of flowers that people are most likely to pick." For first dates, people tend to stick to light pinks and softer colors since they're generally safer. "And for new relationships, I would go for hot pinks, specifically peonies," the floral expert advises.

**Related Link:** [Expert Dating Advice: Valentine's Day Tips](#)

For Valentine's Day, though, he recommends a time-honored flower: "Roses are very common, but they are always classy. The holiday is all about love , so I would definitely go the traditional route," he says.

If you're still struggling with making a decision, Goldstein encourages you to consider your loved one's personality and tastes. "Every flower, in my opinion, is beautiful, but everyone is different," he shares. "English garden roses are definitely my favorite because they're really hard to get your hands on."

The florist agrees that flowers are the go-to gift for women, but this begs the most important question of this celebrity interview: Do men want to receive flowers too? Goldstein thinks so! "Calalillies and darker colors are very manly," he reveals.

No matter what, go with your gut when selecting the perfect arrangement for your love. "Stay away from daisies and carnations," he says. "Otherwise, you can pick out any flower



you want, and it will be appreciated.”

## What Flowers Do Celebrities Prefer?

Being centered in Los Angeles and Beverly Hills has its perks, thanks to the many famous residents! This florist has covered a wide variety of events from celebrity weddings to baby showers, and some are more unusual than others. “I did the wedding for George Pajon Jr. of the Black Eyed Peas in Mexico,” he excitedly reveals. “It was right after Valentine’s Day, and we did thousands of red roses inside a cave!”

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

It’s no surprise that Goldstein prefers the one-of-a-kind events to the more traditional ones. “Large events are fun, but I personally like more unique occasions, like intimate parties,” he explains. His newest project is for nearly 100 celebrities in the music and modeling industries. “Naomi Campbell might show up, and maybe Tyra Banks and Kim Kardashian too,” he says about the super-exclusive event.

So what flowers do celebrities enjoy most? “They do a lot of white flowers, like gardenias, orchids, casablanca lilies, and peonies, which are rare,” he shares. “We have a couple of celebrities who just don’t do roses.”

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: One lucky reader will receive a \$50 coupon code for BloomNation, just in time for Valentine’s Day! To enter this giveaway, complete the form on our [Contact](#) page. Please select Giveaways in the What Can We Help You With? dropdown and include “Bloom Nation Giveaway” as well as your address and phone number in the Your Message box. The giveaway ends on Tuesday, February 10th at 5 p.m. EST. Good luck!**~~

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

*For more on David's work with BloomNation and My Beverly Hills Florist, check out [www.bloomnation.com](http://www.bloomnation.com).*

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## **Giveaway: Teleflora's Swirls of Love Bouquet is Perfect for Valentine's Day!**



*This post was sponsored by Teleflora.*

By Shannon Seibert

We have arranged – so to speak – the perfect flower arrangement for you to give your partner on Valentine's Day!

Show your honey that you care with the Swirls of Love bouquet (\$99.95) from Teleflora. One lucky winner will even receive this gorgeous gift just in time for the romantic festivities on February 14th! Check out our product review below for more details.

## **Teleflora Giveaway: Swirls of Love Bouquet**

The Swirls of Love bouquet captures the essence of relationships and love through its traditional roses and classical flair. The deep red combined with the vibrant pink make these blooms the ideal present for your loved one. The red roses stand for love and romance, while the pink ones represent appreciation and gratitude – all things you want to tell your partner on this special occasion. The varying sizes of the roses look beautiful in an artistic glass vase and help you convey feelings that you may not be able to put into words.

Men, flowers have always been the go-to gift for women. There's just something about Valentine's Day that goes hand in hand with flowers, so why stray from tradition? If your sweetheart is a worker-bee, send the bouquet to her office. Or if you live in separate cities, surprise her with them at her home; they'll serve as a sweet reminder that you're spending the special holiday together in spirit.

And women, men love to receive flowers too! A Swirls of Love bouquet will let your sweetheart know that you care and appreciate them. Cook a divine dinner for two, centering the roses in the middle of the table. The roses will set the mood, and he'll be in awe of the second prettiest sight in the room as you enjoy a romantic meal.

Teleflora has been matching the perfect florists to customers for 78 years. With the guarantee of fresh and blossoming

flowers, the company markets to just about any occasion you can think of. All of their bouquets are hand-delivered, giving their services a genuine touch for Valentine's Day. Stop and smell the roses by entering our Swirls of Love giveaway from Teleflora now!

~~GIVEAWAY ALERT: One lucky reader will receive a Swirls of Love bouquet, just in time for Valentine's Day. To enter our giveaway, email cupid@cupidspulse.com with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, February 9th. In the subject line, please write "Teleflora Giveaway." You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

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

*For the Teleflora Swirls of Love bouquet and other flower arrangements, check out [www.teleflora.com](http://www.teleflora.com).*

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## Product Review: Check Out Gaiam's New Athletic Yoga Collection for Men – Just in Time for Valentine's Day!





*This post is sponsored by Gaiam.*

By Shannon Seibert

With Valentine's Day quickly approaching, it's time to figure out what to get your man for the special holiday. If he seems to have everything he needs, why not get him a gift that will benefit both of you? With Gaiam's new Athletic yoga collection for men, you can improve his health *and* reduce his stress, paving the way for him to be an even better partner. Take a deep breath and help your man find his chi, thanks to our product review of the Athletic maxTowel and Athletic dynaMat.

## **Product Review: Gaiam's Athletic maxTowel and dynaMat**

First, check out the [Athletic maxTowel](#) (\$29.98). It's designed to provide the maximum absorbency and the largest coverage to take care of even the biggest of muscles. Towel Dry Tech absorbs twice as much as standard cotton towels and dries in half the time, making sweat vanish almost immediately. This



technology makes the towel optimal for any yoga setting. From intense 100 degree hot yoga to a more traditional setting, the Athletic maxTowel is able to absorb even the sweatiest of workouts. That way, your relationship and love won't be negatively affected by your significant other's new workout routine!

At 30 inches wide and 84 inches long, this enormous towel can probably hold both of you on your yoga date, providing the perfect excuse to get even closer to each other. This popular product can even be taken down to the beach or to your local park for a romantic session of sunrise yoga.

Next, take a look at the [Athletic dynaMat](#) (\$39.98). This reversible yoga mat is designed to be wider and thicker than most traditional mats, making it perfect for men. The extra space and support will help him feel at ease as he attempts to master even the most challenging poses. It'll even give him the stability he needs to sneak a glance at you in your tight yoga pants!

"The Athletic maxTowel and Athletic dynaMat are the perfect gift for that yoga-loving man in your life," says Executive Editor [Lori Bizzoco](#) after her product review. "The oversized towel is soft and plush, and the mat has great support and thickness without being too big and bulky. They're both a great Valentine's Day present for that guy who has it all!"

With the proper equipment from Gaiam, your love will be able to head to the gym with confidence. Maybe he'll even reignite *your* workout motivation! After all, summer will be here before we know it.

*Both the Athletic maxTowel and Athletic dynaMat are available at [Gaiam.com](#).*

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# The Muse Headband from Gaiam Will Help You Relax and Replenish



*This post is sponsored by Gaiam.*

By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

Do you frequently find yourself succumbing to stress caused by your job or family? Is your love life often put on hold because you need to manage that stress? Whether you're a busy bee with no time to relax or you're living a laid-back lifestyle and just want to better tune into your mind, body,

and spirit, the Muse: the brain sensing headband from GaiaM is for you. It's constructed to help reduce the stress you experience by giving you real-time feedback on how well you are focusing, thus improving your productivity and allowing you to stop feeling like your plate is too full.

Similar to the way a heart monitor can sense your heart's activity from the outside of your body, Muse can monitor the electrical impulses from your brain that are emitted while thinking, sleeping, and relaxing. The headband then plays noises to you that reflect the state of your mind: The sounds will be peaceful and calm if you're quiet and focused and become louder and more chaotic as your mind wanders. You are then given feedback via your smartphone or tablet to help you track your improvement. For more details on the science behind Muse, you can visit [meetmuse.com](http://meetmuse.com).

**Related Link:** [Your Soul Needs Nourishment](#)



The Muse headband from GaiaM in black.

If you're all too familiar with trying to balance your relationship with a busy lifestyle, Muse will allow you to clear your mind and achieve the focus and clarity that is

necessary to have a successful, fulfilling love life. It'll also help you set aside that important time for self-improvement if you're constantly telling yourself you need more "me time." If you don't have trouble managing all the aspects of your life and simply want to nurture your mind, body, and spirit and subsequently improve your love life, then you can use the brain sensor to tap into your health.

**Related Link:** [Clear the Clutter](#)

Many people are raving about their successes with Gaiam's brain sensing headband. In one review, a user claims, "Calming and satisfying – it feels good to know that you have a way to calm your brain down with some simple exercises," while another gushes, "I've been meditating for about a year, and it was so wonderful to get real feedback and learn that my mindfulness practice is actually working! Love it!"

With the new year just beginning, now is the perfect time to get started on a more focused and relaxed life. The Muse headband from Gaiam is the perfect addition to anyone's everyday routine.

*For more information, visit [Gaiam.com](http://Gaiam.com) and [Meetmuse.com](http://Meetmuse.com).*

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## Our 2014 Holiday Gift Guide





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By Emily Meyer

Is the holiday season sneaking up on you? Are you still unsure about what to get those special people in your life? Look no further! Here at CupidsPulse.com, we know how stressful this time of year can be, and we're here to help. For our 2014 holiday gift guide, our team found some amazing products to make everyone on your list happy. Take a look below for some of our favorite items:

**Signature Sole Socks:** If you're searching for that must-have gift for a mom-to-be who needs to relax or a co-worker who *always* seems stressed out, we've got just the thing! [Signature Sole Socks](#) are cozy, warm, and fashionable. Not only can they be worn when lounging around the house, but they can also be worn with tall boots, short boots, and rain boots.



Signature Sole Socks are designed to fit everyone with sizes running from small to large for both males and females. These versatile socks come in a range of colors, including pink, orange, and even leopard and zebra print. Depending on the style, the socks will cost you between \$25 and \$35. You'll be giving more than just one gift when you purchase a pair of Signature Sole Socks: A portion of each sale goes towards a sock donation to children in the hospital. This low-priced gift is sure to make everyone's holiday season a lot more cozy!



American Born Moonshine:  
Dixie, Original, and Apple  
Pie flavors.

**American Born Moonshine:** We know shopping for that special guy in your life can be nearly impossible. But fear no more, we have a gift that he's sure to love! After all, what man doesn't enjoy some good old-fashioned moonshine? Lucky for you, [American Born Moonshine](#) has released an Apple Pie flavor that is perfect for the holiday season. Even if American Born Moonshine isn't available in your state quite yet, you can still order it by printing a form found on their website and taking it to your local liquor dealer.

Our favorite drink for the holiday season is the Ginger Snap, which is two ounces of American Born Moonshine in Apple Pie mixed with four ounces of ginger ale. It's the perfect treat

to warm you up after a chilly day spent playing in the snow with your loved ones! That special guy in your life will love adding this unique liquor to his bar selection.



900 Calorie Burn DVD and the Petal Back Racer Tank from Gaiam.

**Gaiam:** Just in time for chilly days, [Gaiam](#) has released their latest DVDs and apparel line. With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, it's often hard to fit in a workout. Thanks to the 900 Calorie Burn DVD with Ashley Borden, exercising each day just got so much easier. With four 25-minute routines, there's no excuse not to break a sweat!

If you're looking for new workout gear, Gaiam's clothes are not only comfortable but lightweight and warm too. Their apparel is breathable and quick-drying with the softest fabric possible, making these items perfect for your winter workout. The Curve Leggings hug your curves and follow every movement of your body – an ideal choice for your daily yoga session. The Petal Back Racer Tank is flattering and has also been designed to stay in place with every bend and stretch. Even better, both of these items are reasonably priced for under \$100.



LoveBook Online.

**LoveBook Online:** This unique, personalized gift is sure to please that special someone (or someones!) in your life. [LoveBook Online](#) is a website that lets you create a custom gift book that lists all of the reasons you love someone. They even print it, bind it, and ship it for you! Not only is this sweet book sincere and heartfelt, but it's also super easy to make. There are a ton of fun pages with cute quotes like "I love cooking with you" or "I love going on adventures together." They also have humorous stick-figure pictures to go with each phrase. You can include an unlimited number of pages in your hardcover or softcover book. This unique gift idea starts at just \$34.95 and lasts a lifetime. Any hopeless romantic is sure to fall in love with this precious idea!



LoveYourBling: Topaz Teardrop Briolette earrings and Filigree Dangle earrings in rose gold.

**LoveYourBling:** Still struggling to find a present for your boss? [LoveYourBling](#), a California-based handcrafted jewelry company, has amazing items for both women and men. The company is a member of the Artisan Group, which is an organization that is on a mission to introduce Hollywood to the best handcrafted products.

Some of our favorite pieces of jewelry for the holiday season are the Topaz Teardrop Briolette earrings and the Filigree Dangle earrings in rose gold, which are both under \$30. These earrings are dainty and feminine – a nice addition to any Christmas outfit. The site also features gorgeous cufflinks, a great gift for any man. These presents will impress your boss *without* breaking the bank.

For 20% off of anything at LoveYourBling, use the coupon code: **CP2014**. Happy shopping!



Mēnaji Clear Shave 3-in-1  
Formula.

**Mēnaji:** [Mēnaji](#), a skincare line for men, recently released new products to help your beau get ready for the day ahead.

Their Clear Shave 3-in-1 Formula will let him shave anywhere, anytime, even without a sink. This product uses a revolutionary unique “dry shave” experience that allows him to get rid of his scruff in one simple step. The CAMO Stick Concealer helps to reduce dark circles and hide scars, bumps, and blemishes. With the holiday season here and so much traveling going on, they have a product to beat those jet-lagged eyes too. The 911 Eye Gel is perfect for any man struggling to look good during this busy time of year. These affordable products are sure to make that guy in your life feel like he can conquer the world!



Play From Scratch, LLC:  
YOXO To Go and YOXObot  
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**Play from Scratch, LLC:** [Play from Scratch, LLC](#) is a great place to look for unique gifts for little ones. The toy company keeps even the most creative kids busy through imaginative toys and games made from sustainable materials. The YOXO To Go inspires children to build amazing 3D creations, while the YOXObot Orig comes with everything they need to build an 18-inch tall robot. These items, which have won numerous Creative Child Awards in 2014, will entertain any child age four and above.

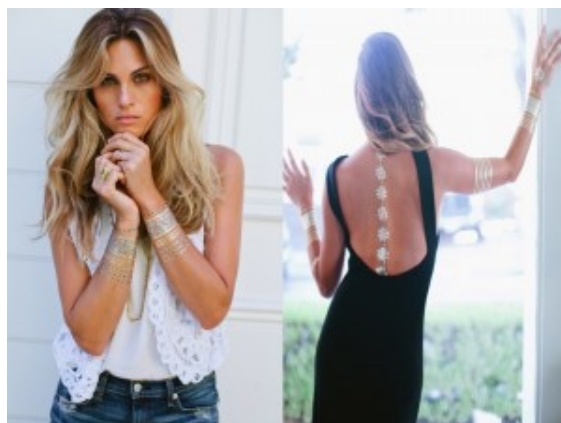




Pish Posh Baby: BabyZen  
YoYo Stroller and the  
Blooming Baby Bath.

**Pish Posh Baby:** If you're looking for something for new parents, [Pish Posh Baby](#) is your one-stop-shop for revolutionary baby and kid products. They offer items like the BabyZen YoYo stroller, which is incredibly compact, lightweight, and versatile. This fashionable stroller, which comes in a variety of color combinations, is perfect for everyday use and holiday traveling. Both new parents and their little ones won't be able to resist this holiday gift!

Another great item is the Blooming Baby Bath, which is handmade from incredibly soft materials and hugs any child to create a safe bath time experience. This hassle-free product makes your kitchen sink an easy bathtub alternative. With the four bright colors to choose from, it will keep even the fussiest baby happy during bath time!



Lulu DK Tattoos: Indigo and

## Desert Blue collections.

**Lulu DK:** We all have a friend who is a wild child at heart, loves being the center of attention, and can be a bit hard to shop for. Luckily, we have a gift that's sure to impress her: [Lulu DK tattoos](#). They have two new gorgeous henna collections: Indigo and Desert Blue, both of which are Indian-inspired. They're even more beautiful, detailed, and intricate than any of their other designs and make for a unique accessory at any holiday soiree.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will get the chance to win many of the items listed above! The holiday gift guide bundle includes: a pair of Signature Sole Socks; a 900 Calorie Burn DVD from Gaiam; a promo code for LoveBook Online; a pair of Filigree Earrings in rose gold; Mënaji Clear Shave, CAM0 Stick Concealer, and 911 Eye Gel; and a Y0X0 To Go and Y0X0bot Orig from Play From Scratch. Note that these items will be sent separately. To enter, head over to our [Facebook](#) page. Good luck, and happy holidays!~~

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

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## Find the Perfect Present This Holiday Season With the Help of the DSW Gift Guide!





*This post is presented by DSW.*

By Emily Meyer

Shoe lovers rejoice! Nothing makes a woman happier than a new pair of shoes. This year, picking out that perfect pair of heels or boots for your mother, best friend, or wife may not be as hard as you think, thanks to the DSW Gift Guide!

DSW has something for everyone on your list this year. They offer a huge selection of all types of shoes, including flats, heels, boots, and booties. DSW also has great deals on other accessories, such as handbags, scarfs, and jewelry. This holiday season, they are offering the most perfect gift guide with items under \$25, \$50, and \$75. You will be able to make DSW your one-stop-shop for all the shoe and accessory lovers in your life.

So what do you get for your partner who seems to have everything she could possibly want? No one can ever resist a new pair of [shoes](#)! Whether it is the new cute [Pink and Pepper Pearl Bootie](#) for her or the [Sperry Top-Sider Boat Shoes](#) for him, everyone is guaranteed to love something from the DSW

Gift Guide.

Not only are the shoes to die for, but the Gift Guide also includes amazing accessories! With items such as the [Kelly & Katie Leopard Twist Cowl Scarf](#), the [Columbia Canvas & Leather Belt](#), and the stylish [Moda Luxe Woven Clutch](#), you will definitely get that special someone's attention this holiday season.

Whether you are looking for shoes, boots, heels, or accessories this holiday season, DSW is the place for you! Check out their Gift Guide to find great deals on all things fashionable this season.

*To find out more about the DSW Gift Guide, follow @DSWshoelovers on Twitter and like DSW on Facebook. Visit their [website](#) too!*

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## Let Your Love Shine with Star Registry + GIVEAWAY





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By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

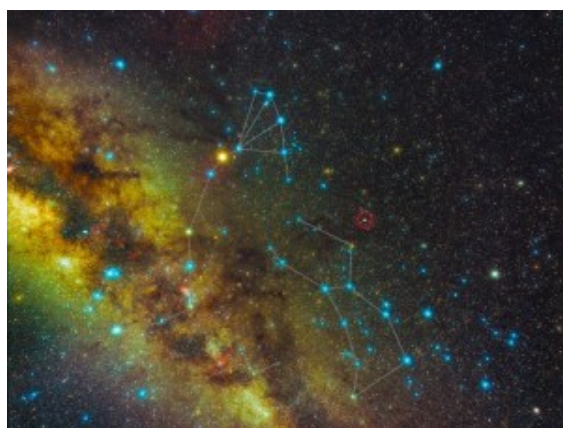
Nowadays, it's more difficult than ever to pick out a unique present for a loved one. No matter how thoughtful and inspired your ideas may be, someone, somewhere has taken the same idea and outdone it by a thousand. Even though you put so much effort into picking out the perfect present, you still don't feel like your gift-giving aptitude measures up.

Worry no more! We have found the most unique and romantic Christmas gift idea that is literally out-of-this-world. Trillions of light years away, lay presents that no added glitter or chrome paint could ever compete with: the stars! Thanks to the International Star Registry, you can buy and name a star for your own shining star here on earth! Whether it be your significant other, sibling, parent, child, or best friend, no other gift says "I love you" as timelessly as claiming your very own luminous star.

Because we love the idea of such a sweet gift, we wanted to experience the magic first-hand. So, CupidsPulse.com Executive



Editor, [Lori Bizzoco](#) received her very own Photographic Sky Chart and praises it as “an amazingly unique and beautiful gift.” Fellas, take note because a star is an extraordinary gift for a girlfriend or wife! Nothing says “you light up my life” better.



The Photographic Sky Chart.

Imagine it's Christmas, Valentine's Day, or any other special holiday, and you want to blow away your honey with a present that they never saw coming. Don't be like the majority of people scouring jewelry stores, flower shops or clearing out the designer handbag department. In order to find something that's personal, sentimental, and truly one-of-a-kind, reach for the stars! The International Star Registry gives you the opportunity to name a star after your cutie, or be creative and give a constellation-esque title inspired by your love. Bizzoco gave hers the star name “Natoria” after her two daughters.

The Photographic Sky Chart that comes with your purchase provides a detailed portrait and the location of your specific star, as seen in the image above. Not to mention, the Sky Chart will come custom framed in a 16" X 20" black frame for added style. Bizzoco's experience was a fabulous one, so make your sweetie feel the love too, and buy a star today!

~~GIVEAWAY ALERT: We're giving away TWO (2) Custom Star Kits with the Photographic Sky Chart (unframed)! To enter our giveaway, email cupid@cupidspulse.com with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on November 27th. In the subject line, please write "Star Registry Giveaway." You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

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## 10 Celebrity Love Affairs with "Normal" People + 'Beyond the Lights' Giveaway!



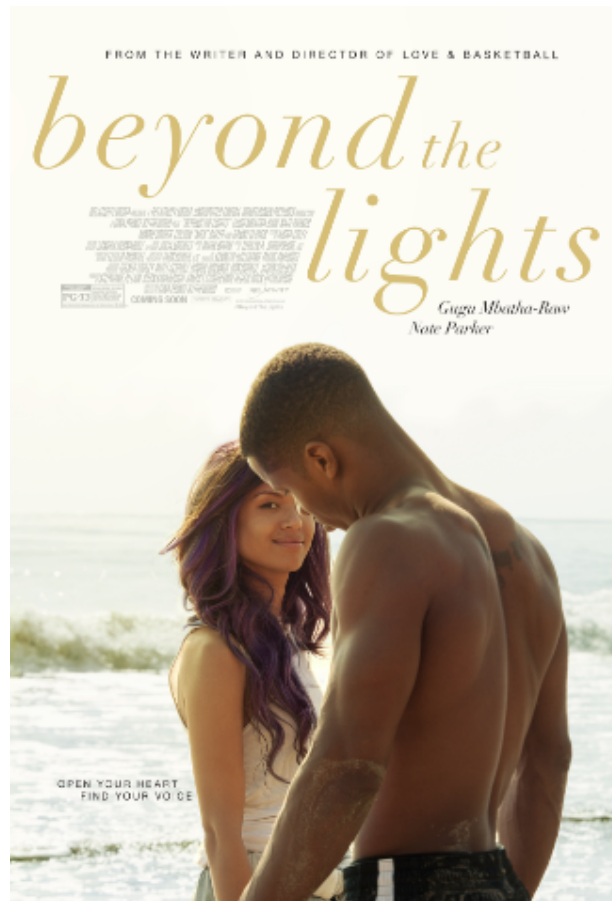


*This post was sponsored by Beyond the Lights.*

By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

We all love to see it when a person who lives in the limelight finds love with someone who is so-called “normal” – someone who does their own grocery shopping and works regular hours to make a regular paycheck. Maybe it’s because we like to fantasize about the possibility of finding love with a celebrity ourselves...or maybe it’s because romances like these prove that love knows no boundaries.

In the new film *Beyond the Lights*, premiering on Friday, November 14, pop star Noni falls in love with a police officer named Kaz, assigned to protecting her. In honor of the unlikely yet heartwarming relationship depicted in the movie, we’ve decided to pay tribute to 10 celebrity love affairs with normal people.



‘Beyond the Lights’ movie poster.

**1. Kevin Jonas and Danielle Deleasa:** Jonas spotted the former Jersey hairdresser while both were on vacation in the Bahamas with their families. He approached her, and their love blossomed from there. The two are now married and have a daughter.

**2. Elizabeth Banks and Max Handelman:** The *Hunger Games* star met her now-husband, a sportswriter and producer, in college in 1992. Banks converted to Judaism upon marrying her true love, and the couple has two sons.

**3. Anne Hathaway and Adam Shulman:** Hathaway’s own princess diaries came true when she married the jewelry designer in 2012, a few years after her previous beau was sent to prison on serious fraud charges.

**Related Link:** [Are Chris Martin and Jennifer Lawrence Back Together?](#)

**4. Jon Bon Jovi and Dorathea Hurley:** The rock legend married his high school sweetheart in a Vegas chapel in 1989. They now have four children together.

**5. Jessica Alba and Cash Warren:** In 2008, the *Fantastic Four* beauty married the son of actor Mike Warren. They now have two adorable daughters, Honor and Haven.

**6. Jimmy Fallon and Nancy Juvonen:** Everyone's favorite comedic TV personality married his lover, a film producer, back in 2007. The two, who were introduced by Drew Barrymore, are proud parents to their daughter and golden retriever.

**7. Julia Roberts and Danny Moder:** Roberts met her cameraman-hubby on set in 2000 while both were still in other relationships. Since marrying in 2002, the couple has welcomed three children.

**Related Link:** [Jessica Chastain Dishes On Not Dating Other Stars](#)

**8. Christian Bale and Sibi Blazic:** The brooding *Batman* star married Winona Ryder's former personal assistant in 2000. They now have two children and are active members of various environmental groups.

**9. Matt Damon and Luciana Barroso:** Damon married the former bartender in 2005, becoming the stepfather to her daughter. Since then, the couple has had three daughters of their own.

**10. Nicholas Cage and Alice Kim:** Cage married the former waitress in 2004 while the divorce proceedings of his previous marriage to Lisa Marie Presley were still taking place. Cage and Kim have a son together, who they named Kal-el after Superman.

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: One lucky reader will receive a *Beyond the Lights* prize pack with the following items: branded hoodie, branded lip gloss, branded make-up bag, mini poster,**~~



~~soundtrack digital download, and a \$25 Fandango gift card. To enter our giveaway, email cupid@cupidspulse.com with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on November 25th. In the subject line, please write "Beyond the Lights Giveaway." You can also enter on [Facebook](#). You may enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

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## Find the Perfect Date Night Outfit Using tagspire!





Inspire those around you with your fashionable holiday wear using Tagspire.

*This post is sponsored by tagspire.*

Written by Shannon Seibert. Photo by [Whitney Johnson](#).

With the impending winter chill, finding a fashion-forward and sensible outfit for date night can be challenging. The holiday season of snuggly sweaters and booties is approaching quickly, giving you the perfect opportunity to share your winter fashion expertise all over social media. If you're already posting your adorable attire on the web, you might as well get paid for it. So our gift to you this holiday season is the newest form of social commerce in the digital age: tagspire.

tagspire is a one-of-a-kind website that allows you to contribute to the fashion world and inspire others while social shopping. The website lets you to post photos of your cover-worthy attire and tag the items that you're wearing so everyone else can duplicate your holiday look and buy it themselves. All you have to do is upload your photo to [tagspire](#) and tag each item you want to monetize in the photo.

These tags allow other users to find the items you're wearing and purchase online.

The tags aren't limited to links either! Users are able to submit blurbs and ratings for items that will show up just like the tags do. You can even utilize multiple tags to direct traffic to more than one link. Each time someone buys an item that you tag, you will gain a small percentage of commission. Plus, the dashboard allows you to see sell analytics and history. You can enhance your tagspire skills by watching their video tutorial.

Click [here](#) to see the post above on tagspire!

This website is the ultimate platform for not only showcasing your styling talent but also finding a holiday present for your honey! That new iPhone case he has been vying for? You are now able to find it by typing a brief description into your search bar. That's right; this site isn't limited to apparel either: Users are able to feature a variety of items from electronics and travel accessories to beauty products and home decor.

Since online sales are at an all time high between October and March, sign up for tagspire today to maximize your opportunity to make and save money. Rather than promoting your style in the traditional word-of-mouth way, you can give your audience a visual of what your creation looks like. Happy tagging!

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## Achieve Flawless Skin this

# Holiday Season with Jergens and Make Your Man Fall Even More in Love with You!



*This post is presented by Jergens.*

By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

What is beautiful about the holidays is that it gives everyone in love a lot of moments in the spotlight with their beau – moments ranging from office parties to family gatherings to alone time by the tree. This can be a problem, though, if you haven't prepared your skin for all of that attention. Luckily, [Jergens](#) is here to help you achieve flawless skin with just one perfect product.

Picture this: You're standing under the mistletoe, and your man comes and wraps his arms around you. You've been waiting for that perfect holiday kiss, but now, all you can think of are those dry spots right around your elbows. Or maybe, you've finally pulled out the sparkly mini-dress that you've been anticipating wearing to your honey's holiday get-together, but the open back exposes dark spots on your skin that don't match your outfit. Your old BB cream didn't go on sheer, so you were afraid to use it on these noticeable areas of your body. Ladies, put down that product (better yet, toss it in the trash) and pick up Jergens® BB Body Perfecting Skin Cream instead!





Jergens® BB Body  
Perfecting Skin Cream

Jergens® BB Body Perfecting Skin Cream will not only hydrate and illuminate your skin as soon as you put it on, but it will firm, even, and correct it after only five days of use. Plus, it dries quickly, so there's no need to adjust your usual morning routine to avoid staining your clothes. Better yet, this BB cream goes on sheer and adjusts to your skin tone, so you won't look like you just tried to rub pudding on

yourself before that holiday party. Instead, the combination of shea butter, skin-smoothing emollients, and Jergens Firm Perfecting Complex combine to give you luminous, smooth, and firm skin.

5 Benefits	Lighter Skin Tones	Medium–Deep Skin Tones
1. HYDRATE	Superior level of hydration for all skin tones.	
2. ILLUMINATE	Provides subtle sheen to illuminate all skin tones	
3. EVEN	Proprietary Skin Tone Evening Technology evens redness in fair to light skin tones	Proprietary Skin Tone Evening Technology evens discoloration in olive to deep skin tones
4. FIRM	Firm Perfecting® Complex	
5. CORRECT	High blur effect to hide skin imperfections	High level of light reflecting particles to hide skin imperfections

BB Cream Color Chart for Skin Tones.

Celebrity makeup artist Pati Dubroff swears by this product, so much so that she uses it on her own clients in order to prepare them for the red carpet. Celebrities, including Dakota Johnson, the star of *50 Shades of Grey*, have been turned on to this product by Dubroff. At an InStyle event on October 28th, the beauty guru discussed this fabulous product with the guests.



Pati Dubroff speaks to guests at recent InStyle event. Photo courtesy of Single Edition Media.

*Jergens® BB Body Perfecting Skin Cream can be found at your local Target or CVS. You can Like Jergens on Facebook and discover even more information about these fabulous products!*

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# For The Love of Cars! Cars.com Launches #newcarface Contest



**ALL DRIVE. No drama.®**

*This post is sponsored by [Cars.com](https://www.cars.com).*

By Sarah Batcheller



Buying a new car is a lot like falling in love. You search far and wide for the one you believe will stick it out with you. As you look, you find that some are too slow, others too fast, some too flimsy, and others too high-maintenance. Like love, you spend a lot of time and effort picking out the right vehicle, so don't you want purchasing a new car to be as rewarding as finding your soulmate?

I remember car shopping for the first time without the help of my parents. I was twenty years old, and I enlisted the help of my boyfriend. At every dealership, he checked the tires, bumpers, and features to make sure I was getting the best deal I could get. He even told off a couple of sales people who he felt were trying to fool me. We found the best fit for me, and you should have seen my #newcarface! It's safe to say that my choice in a guy has paid off – and now, with the Cars.com contest, up to \$25,000 on the car I bought can be paid off too!



Showing off our best #newcarface! Photo courtesy of Whitney Johnson.



With this new Cars.com promotion, you can enter to have Cars.com pay off up to \$25,000 of your car loan. You can submit an entry on Twitter, Instagram, or Facebook – see specific details below:

**Twitter:** Upload a photo of your new car and most excited, unprecedented new car face. Use the hashtag #newcarface and mention/tag @carsdotcom in your post.

**Instagram:** Upload a photo of your new car and happy new car face. Use #newcarface and mention/tag @carsdotcom in your post.

**Facebook:** Post a photo of your new car and new car face on the Cars.com Facebook wall (as a new post). Be sure to use #newcarface for your entry to be valid.

It's no secret that Cars.com knows how to take the drama out of car buying, and now, they're taking it out of purchasing new cars by paying off up to \$25,000 on a lucky someone's car loan. Good luck!

*Note that participants can only submit one entry during the promotional period. Visit the contest website for more examples of #newcarface entries, additional contest details and rules. Open to legal US residents (excluding MD, NJ and TN), 18+ who hold (or whose immediate family member holds) a qualifying vehicle loan or lease. Begins 7/29/14 at 8:00:00 am CST and ends 1/2/15 at 12:00:00 pm CST. Prize value up to \$25k. Subject to the Official Rules at <http://bit.ly/lpLUGey>. See Official Rules for full details, including eligibility criteria and qualifying vehicle restrictions. Sponsor: Cars.com, a division of Classified Ventures, LLC. Please do not include any personal information, like your license plate number. A "New Car" is considered a new or used car bought or leased on or after 1/1/2012.*

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# Learn the 20 Steps to Heal a Broken Heart in Lesley Robins' New Book 'The Breakup Book'



*This post is sponsored by Lesley Robins.*

Interview by [Lori Bizzoco](#). Written by Emily Meyer.

When it comes to bad breakups, Lesley Robins has been through them all. In her new book, *The Breakup Book: 20 Steps to Heal a Broken Heart*, the E! News producer and Young Hollywood

contributor walks her readers through a 20-step process to get over your broken heart. Executive Editor Lori Bizzoco recently chatted with the new author about how she managed to thrive after her tough split as well as her best advice for hopeless romantics who are dealing with heartache. Here's what the nationally-recognized journalist had to say:

### **Why did you organize your book with a 20-step approach?**

There is a reason why the chapters go in the order that they do. At the beginning, I'm not telling you to be grateful; I'm not telling you to travel; I'm not telling you to create a new home the day he leaves you. The first chapter just encourages you to *not* be alone. You need love – you lost love; now, go find it.



Lesley Robins talks about new book in an exclusive interview. Photo courtesy of Amanda Boyer.

### **What inspired you to write your book?**

As a journalist, I am a host, reporter, producer, and writer. I had all of these things, but I've always wanted to be an author. So in 2010, my ex and I had broken up for good. It was a few months after that, and I was still in a really dark place. I was out to dinner with my mentor's wife, and I was talking about my breakup and what I was trying to do to feel better. She turned to me and said, "That's your book." It was at that dinner that we discussed that every chapter should be a piece of advice someone gave me to get through the split. We talked about what worked and what didn't work, and I crafted it in that moment.

**Related Link:** [10 Signs That Your Relationship Has Hit a Dead](#)

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**It seems like every woman has a story about a bad breakup. Do you think this book will be successful since everyone can relate to it?**

We all have a breakup story, yet no one wants to talk about it. We're human, which means we have flaws. The thing I stress is, when you're trying to talk about your breakup, you want a neutral party, someone who is not going to judge you. No relationship is alike, and no breakup is alike. However, at the same time, when we talk about it and we can share our story, it's comforting to know that other people are going through the same thing.

**What advice do you give to woman who want to feel confident instead of depressed after a breakup?**

You're not going to feel your best right away – and that's okay. I'm giving you permission to be sad, depressed, and pathetic for a minute. That's why the first step is to never be alone. Since you used to have someone by your side 24/7 and now that person is gone, you will need to be surrounded by love. Go find your people!

**What do you say to people who feel overwhelmed by the thought of completing 20 steps?**

The beautiful thing about these steps is that they can happen simultaneously. You're not going to start them all at the same time, but they will all eventually merge together to form the new you. It is all really about self-love. I think the main thing that I want women to grasp is the importance of being grateful. Be grateful for everything around you – your family, your friends, your career. Be in the moment and focus on what you *can* control.

**Related Link:** [How to Get Through a Breakup and Heal Your Heart](#)

Something that I think is really important for our readers to know is that you were in your 30s when this breakup happened. You were thinking about a long-term commitment, even marriage.

In my first draft of the book, I actually didn't include my age. Then, my editor told me I needed to add it. I met my ex when I was 29, and here I was, single again at 36. Any woman reading it gets it. Being single in your 20s is so different from being single in your 30s! So my life became about doing everything by myself, which was a big adjustment. I had to be okay with being on my own.

**What was the hardest chapter for you to write?**

I think the hardest chapter for me to write was "Go Cold Turkey with your Ex" because I didn't master it for a really long time. But once he got engaged, I went cold turkey. That's when I was finally done. I had no more fight left in me. I went through every emotion I could imagine – and I write about that.

**How is your love life going now?**

I'm dating, but I'm single. I'm happy and strong, and I'm still a hopeless romantic. The first few months after my breakup, I didn't want to be with anyone. But now, I am back to being the girl who loves romance and finding love. I love it!

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: Two lucky readers will receive a copy of *The Breakup Book: 20 Steps to Healing a Broken Heart*. To enter our giveaway, email [cupid@cupidspulse.com](mailto:cupid@cupidspulse.com) with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on November 12th. In the subject line, please write "The Breakup Book Giveaway." You can also enter on Facebook. You can enter the contest only once. Good luck!**~~

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*Pick up a copy of The Breakup Book: 20 Steps to Heal a Broken Heart today! You can keep up with Lesley on Twitter @LesleyMia.*

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# 10 Films About First Love that Make You Want to Fall in Love All Over Again + A Giveaway!



*This post is sponsored by The Best of Me.*

By [Sarah Batcheller](#)

It's not hard to remember being a teenager, curling up on the couch with your mom, your best girlfriends, or your first boyfriend, hitting the lights, and watching a movie about first love. In those days, the stories of the star-crossed, wild-at-heart, or shy lovers were peepholes into what you hoped would be your own love story one day. They inspired you to see the potential for love in each day and to be wholly devoted when you found it yourself. Even though you're a bit (or a lot) older now, you may find yourself in a situation and still think, "Oh my gosh, this is just like that scene from *The Notebook*!"

It's no surprise that film adaptations of novels by Nicholas Sparks have received widespread acclaim for portraying loves of the century. This Friday, yet another of these Sparks stories is premiering on the big screen: *The Best of Me*. Cupid was inspired by the new movie to bring you a list of our favorite films about first love (in no particular order). Spoiler alerts ahead!

**1. *The Notebook*:** We had to start our list with *The Notebook*. In the film, Allie and Noah meet as teenagers. Noah lives in a small town in South Carolina where Allie's family vacations in the summer. They are torn apart when Allie's parents, who despise Noah for his lower-class status, force their daughter to go home early. The ups-and-downs they endure through the years – both together and apart – make for an epic love story. The most beautiful part is that the tale is being told by an elderly Noah to his wife Allie, who has dementia. Cue the tears!

**Related Link:** [5 of the Sweetest Movie Moments](#)

**2. *The Girl Next Door*:** This one you probably didn't watch in your pre-teens, but it's still a pretty epic love story. Matthew, a high school student looking to attend Georgetown University, falls in love with Danielle, the girl who moves in

next door. Matthew finds out from his friends that Danielle is an ex-adult film actress and accidentally insults her for it. He wins her back but not before an intense encounter with her ex-boyfriend.

**3. *Never Been Kissed*:** Josie Geller, a writer for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, poses as a high school student in order to write a piece meant to inform parents on their kids' behavior. Josie, who was a nerd in high school, is forced by her boss to become one of the popular kids in order to beat out other newspapers with the more interesting stories. While working on the assignment, she falls in love with her English teacher Sam. She nearly loses him when he discovers her true identity but hopes that her newspaper article will win him back. You'll have to watch and see what happens!

**4. *A Walk to Remember*:** This Nicholas Sparks tale is the tear-jerker of all tear-jerkers. Landon and Jamie first meet when Landon is being punished for playing a horrible prank on a classmate. Despite teasing from Landon's friends, they become close when Jamie begins helping Landon with his lines for a school play. They begin a beautiful relationship, and Landon helps Jamie achieve her list of things to do in her lifetime, a lifetime that will be cut tragically short by terminal leukemia. He stays by her side as she battles her illness, and true to his dedication to help her achieve the items on her list, he marries her in the same chapel her parents were wed. Ultimately, his first love changes Landon for the better.

**Related Link:** [5 Best Steamy Movie Kisses](#)

**5. *The Best of Me*:** This film, being released this Friday, October 17th, has been widely anticipated by Nicholas Sparks fanatics and romance movie junkies alike. The story follows Dawson and Amanda, who were high school sweethearts. Twenty years after their split, they reunite in their hometown to attend the funeral of a close friend. Amanda is now married

and a mother, but the passionate love she once felt for Dawson ignites again. We can already see ourselves curled up on the couch with our besties, rooting for these characters to find their happy ending (although we know better than to think that with Sparks at the wheel!).



A young Dawson and Amanda in 'The Best of Me'. Photo courtesy of Relativity Media / Mammoth NYC.

**6. *Sweet Home Alabama*:** Melanie and Jake fell in love as kids and eventually married. When Melanie left him to pursue a career as a fashion designer in New York City, Jake refused to sign their divorce papers. Melanie, who has hidden her Southern roots with a fake last name, travels home to Alabama upon becoming engaged to the mayor's son Andrew and hopes to end her first marriage. While in Alabama, she remembers what she loves about her friends and family. Soon enough, Andrew shows up and discovers the truth about his fiancé. What happens next is anyone's guess!

**7. *Like Crazy*:** Jake and Anna meet in college in Los Angeles,



where Anna is an exchange student from London. They immediately fall in love, but as soon as graduation hits, her student visa expires. Anna's legal troubles continue, and the couple has to fight even more for the love they share.

**8. *My Girl*:** This tragedy is particularly heart-wrenching. Vada struggles with understanding life – because of her father's profession as a funeral director, because she lives in a funeral home, and because she blames herself for her mother's death, which occurred shortly after she gave birth to Vada. Her best friend Thomas accompanies her everywhere, even on her frequent visits to the doctor's office (living in a funeral home has made her a hypochondriac). A tragic loss causes Vada to struggle even more but not before she discovers what true love is.

**9. *Grease*:** We all know the lyrics to this upbeat soundtrack, don't we? Sandy and Danny fell in love over the summer, but sadly, Sandy has to return to her home in Australia. Suddenly, though, her parents decide to stay, and Sandy heads to Rydell High School, where Danny attends. Danny, who is a greaser, tries to keep up his macho act in front of his friends, upsetting good girl Sandy. Of course, thanks to music, the two eventually end up back in each other's arms.

**Related Link:** [From Bestseller to Film comes 'The Fault in Our Stars'](#)

**10. *The Fault in Our Stars*:** Hazel and Augustus meet in a cancer patient support group in Indianapolis. Augustus's illness caused him to lose his leg, while Hazel's cancer is slowly destroying her lungs. The two become close and agree to read each other's favorite novels. They track down the author of Hazel's nominated book down in an effort to find out answers regarding the sudden, mysterious conclusion of the book. Based on a true story, their journey is sure to tug at your heartstrings!

These wonderful movies can really help you understand what all different types of love can look like but even with hundreds of movies out there, it is sometimes extremely hard for a man [to know when a woman is attracted to you sexually](#) if there are no clues or signs. Hopefully, these movies will give you some tips and clues.

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**Team Up with Timbaland and  
Win a VIP Trip to Coachella**

# 2015!



*This post is sponsored by The Team Up With Timbaland Sweepstakes.*

By [Whitney Johnson](#) and Shannon Seibert

Music, like love, is a language that isn't necessarily spoken but is still felt by those who experience it. For all of the music lovers out there, we have the perfect opportunity for you. Thanks to Lenovo and Microsoft, music creators and enthusiasts can enter daily to win Lenovo products, other cool tech/music gear, and, of course, the grand prize: a trip for two to Los Angeles as well as two three-day VIP passes to Coachella, one of the largest, most popular music festivals in California, from April 10-12, 2015.

The Team Up with Timbaland Sweepstakes, which is presented by

Lenovo and Microsoft, runs from Monday, September 29 until Wednesday, October 22. Encourage your man to enter with you to double your chances of landing this once-in-a-lifetime VIP getaway! Contestants can enter multiple times to increase their chances but are only allowed to enter once per day until the contest ends. You must be 18 or older and a legal resident of the U.S. to enter. Don't miss out on what could be an unforgettable weekend for you and your honey. Listen to the beat of the music and fall deeper in love!

Plus, in early August, Lenovo and Microsoft teamed up with Timbaland to launch a contest that empowered independent musicians as well as their fans. More than 5,000 singers, songwriters, and music artists have entered to be contestants in the Team Up with Timbaland Song Contest – and there are still two days left to enter! The contest has received shout-outs from amazing artists that you and your sweetheart love, including Missy Elliot, Lil Kim, and Snoop Dogg.

After the contest closes on Sunday, September 28, Timbaland and a team of judges will review the entries and judge the songs based on creativity, originality, and recording appeal. They will narrow them down to the top five finalists, who will be announced in mid-October. They will each be given a two-week surprise musical challenge, and Timbaland will pick one winner, who will receive a day in the recording studio with him in Miami. We wish you all the best of luck!

*For more information about the Team Up with Timbaland song contest and sweepstakes, [click here](#). Good luck!*

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# Get Five Visible Skin Perfecting Benefits in Just Five Days



*This post is sponsored by [Jergens](#).*

By Ann Luther

Nothing sparks this girl's confidence like flawless, beautiful skin can. When my skin is at its best from face to feet, I feel like a stunner, and I am ready to take on the world. When I want that coveted, effortlessly perfect look, I have always been a worshiper of the BB cream, but, until now, I have only been able to find it for my face. Now, for the very first time in the United States, I can enjoy skin that's deeply hydrated, illuminated, visibly firm, even, and virtually flawless by



using this all-in-one moisturizer for my face *and* body! It's [Jergens BB Body Perfecting Skin Cream](#), and it is fabulous.



I love it because it is so easy to get and use. I pick it up at my local grocery store, but you can get it at any mass retailer or drugstore nationwide for only \$12.99. It is a total steal for what you're getting out of it: five visible skin perfecting benefits in just five days. You can literally start using it on Monday and begin showing yourself off by Friday night. Also, it smells delicious. It's made with shea butter and coconut water and it makes my man go wild. What more could a girl ask for? Nothing!

I kept going on and on about my new radiant skin, so one of my co-workers April decided to go out and try it for herself. She called me about a week later and was raving, "You were so right! My skin has never looked or felt this good." Now, she's telling all of her friends about it. We are both obsessed and trying to bring everyone we know aboard the Jergens BB Body Perfecting Skin Cream train. Won't you join us?

For more information about Jergens, go to their website at [www.jergens.com](http://www.jergens.com)



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## Look and Feel Beautiful This Summer in Plumeria Swimwear!





*This post is sponsored by Plumeria.*

By Laura Seaman

If you want to channel your favorite celebrity on your next beach vacation or trip to the pool, look no further than [Plumeria Swimwear](#)! These artisan-crafted bikinis are sure to catch the eye of that gorgeous lifeguard on duty. With their sleek and stylish Italian and Turkish materials, it's hard to believe that these stunning pieces are available for less than 130 dollars.

Gabrielle Cimon, the creative director and designer of the bikinis, wanted to create swimwear that was unforgettably sexy and that perfectly embraced a woman's body. She crafted unique, exotic, and fashion-forward designs that are accessible to the everyday woman. Now you can look like a *Sports Illustrated* model without paying typical designer prices! After all, every woman should have the chance to look like she just stepped out of the pool and into a photo shoot.

Let's start with the At the Copa bikini. This strappy, Brazilian style helps you show off that great summer body with



pride. You'll look and feel beautiful, and your crush is sure to notice. This suit leaves just enough to the imagination that every man in eyeshot will be wondering how to turn your confident stride in their direction.

Next up is the Caliente bikini. This fashionable suit will make sure you're the apple of any guy's eye, especially your summer fling's. The high cut bottoms and spaghetti straps add a little more oomph to your legs and cleavage that won't go unnoticed. You'll have him begging you to stay with him even after the weather starts to cool down.

With their Mediterranean influences and high-quality materials, these suits are unlike anything else you've seen in stores or magazines. With a style of their own, you can be sure that no other woman at the beach will stand out quite as much you.

This week, CupidsPulse.com is giving one lucky reader the chance to win one of these two bikinis in any available color. With these bikinis, it's important to get the correct size, so before sending us your entry, make sure to check the size guide on each bikini's description page linked above!

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: To enter this giveaway, email cupid@cupidspulse.com with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, July 14th. Make sure to also include your preference of bikini style (either Caliente or At the Copa), color, and size. In the subject line, please write "Plumeria Swimwear." You can enter the contest only once. Good luck!**~~

**This giveaway is now closed. Thank you for entering!**



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**Dazzle On Your Next Date  
Night with Cate and Chloe VIP  
Jewelry!**





*This post is sponsored by Cate and Chloe.*

By Laura Seaman

Make sure you shine this summer with some amazing new jewelry from Cate and Chloe! Sometimes, you need a little extra sparkle to brighten up that little black dress or to add some variety to an outfit you've worn so many times before. With the [Cate and Chloe](#) VIP package, it's not just a one-time deal. You get 2 new styles, valued at 200 dollars, delivered right to your doorstep every 15 days! Whether you're at the bar with your beau or dancing at the club with your girlfriends, you'll be the most radiant woman there.

Of course, the fun doesn't stop there. Each month, one of the pieces sent to you will be a pre-release item, available only to VIP members. And if you don't love your new jewelry, you can exchange it, no questions asked. Thanks to something dazzling catching his eye every time you walk through the door, your man won't be able to take his eyes off you.

If you love what you see and want to get more, the VIP package also comes with 20 percent off all featured items from Cate &

Chloe – perfect for that online shopaholic or jewelry fanatic. Plus, there are free giveaways and prizes for all members. No doubt you'll find that perfect accessory for your jewelry box!

Every girl deserves to feel like a princess, and with this VIP package, you'll feel like one on a daily basis. Lucky for you, CupidsPulse.com readers can get an extra 20 percent their first month as a member! That's a lot of bling for a little ca-ching. So if you want the chance to find a new treasure in your mailbox from Cate and Chloe twice a month, check out their VIP package today!

**For 20 percent off on your first month as a VIP member to CateandChloe.com, enter discount code CUPIDSPULSE20 at checkout\*. We hope you enjoy your beautiful new jewelry!**

*\*Since the prepaid sign-up options already offer significant discounts to new members, this code will only be valid for the standard month-to-month sign-up of \$39.99/month.*

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## Enhances Skin's Radiance With New Jergens Shea Beauty Oil





*This post is sponsored by Jergens.*

By April Littleton

With the heat of the summer quickly approaching, our skin is preparing to go to war. The harsh sunlight and the extended hours baking in the sun aren't exactly promoting healthy skincare. So what happens when you have a big date coming up, and your skin resembles a dried out jellyfish? Don't fear, we have found a true summer treasure for you!

A deeply-hydrating beauty oil for lustrous and visibly radiant skin is the answer to all of your dry-skin worries. The latest addition to the Jergens® Shea Butter Collection, new [Jergens Shea Beauty Oil](#) is guaranteed to indulge your skin in the sweetest of treats. Delivering an amplified radiance visibly noticeable moisturizing strength and coveted sheen, giving you younger-looking and better feeling skin.

This unique body luminizer quenches your skin's thirst with six times more radiance, sheen, and hydration. Thus giving your skin an irresistibly touchable feel that your man won't be able to keep his hands off of.



The best part is this lightweight, fast absorbing beauty oil for the body harnesses the nourishing and sheen enhancing ingredient, Argan Oil, and combining it with the conditioning and illuminating ingredient, Shea Butter. This dynamic duo is bound to keep your man's eyes locked on you all night long.

This summer's survival secret is available in all major retail and grocery stores nationwide, with skin's best defense against dry summer skin bottled up for a mere price of \$9.99.

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## Giveaway: Get a Fabulous Tan This Summer with Fake Bake





*This post is sponsored by Fake Bake.*

By Louisa Gonzales

If you're worried about looking fabulous enough this summer to catch the attention of your dream guy, look no further than Fake Bake! With the help of these products, you won't have to dread showing some skin in those cut-off shorts and new bikini. The line's main goal is to give you the richest looking tan *without* the sun.

Each of its products are crafted to work for all skin types with no streaking. Not only do their self-tanning lotions and sprays have botanically-extracted ingredients and absolutely no preservatives, they also moisturize, hydrate, and protect the body without clogging the pores or irritating the most sensitive skin. So, don't let negativity about your appearance prevent you from asking out your crush! Instead, invest in Fake Bake to look and feel your best.

First, protect yourself against the sun's harmful UVA & UVB rays with the non-greasy, fast setting, SOL Survivor SPF-30 "Sun Block" – perfect for a beach date. The Gelee Daily Body

Wash is a full body cleanser designed to balance the skin's PH and maintain your tan for longer than ever. The Bamboo Buffing Polish, which can be used daily or only once a week and still be effective, renews your skin while getting rid of impurities to leave it smooth.

Additionally, the Flawless & Platinum Face and Application Mitt can be used together to help create a perfectly even tan, formulated with Fake Bake's very own triple tan formula for a better and longer tan. The Tanning Body Butter is designed with shea butter to "Butter-Your-Body-Bronze" and moisturize dry skin. Lastly, the Airbush Self-Tanning Spray is made with ingredients to bond with your skin's pigment so it can result in a tan that is more luxurious and natural-looking than you and your beau can imagine.

Lucky for you, one reader will have the chance to win a complete beach bundle from Fake Bake. Together, these products will ensure that your sweetheart can't look away!

~~**GIVEAWAY ALERT: To enter this giveaway, email [cupid@cupidspulse.com](mailto:cupid@cupidspulse.com) with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, June 16th. In the subject line, please write "Fake Bake." You can enter the contest only once. Good luck!**~~

**This giveaway is now closed.**

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## What's Your Sign? Get Gel

# Nails With NaiLuv At-Home Professional Gel Kit & Zodiac Collection



*This post is sponsored by NaiLuv.*

By Liz Kim

Think that you can get fabulous gel nails only at the salon? Think again! CupidsPulse.com and [NaiLuv](#) have teamed up to bring you the ultimate gel nail giveaway. With their easy-to-use Gel Nail Polish 9-Piece Complete Kit and their Zodiac Collection of 12 colors, you'll have fabulous and long-lasting gel nails all year-round.

Gel polish has been a beauty buzzword for quite some time now – and for good reason. It's a safer alternative to acrylics

because, even when the gel polish is removed, your nails are left stronger and harder than with acrylics, which can leave nails feeling thin and brittle. Gel polishes are created to stay on longer and don't wear off or dent as easily as regular manicures. You're also left with a shiny and smoother looking manicure.

But gel nails can be on the pricey end, especially if you regularly go to the salon. With NaiLuv's kit, you'll save money *without* having to sacrifice beautiful nails. If you're the type that loves to have a new nail color with every outfit, these products give you the polished look of painted nails without the commitment to a color.

The Gel Nails Starter Kit includes all of the essentials to achieve a perfect manicure at home, including: a four-watt Battery Powered LED lamp, NaiLuv gel polish "Homebody Not" (15 mL), dual purpose base/top coat (15 mL), bonder (15 mL), cleanser (60 mL), remover (60 mL), cuticle stick, and nail file. The directions couldn't be simpler! Prep your nails with the cuticle stick and buffer. Then, apply a thin layer of the bonder, followed by the "Homebody Not" polish. Place your nails under the LED light. Add the topcoat and place your nails under the LED light again. You'll have a salon-worthy manicure that won't smudge or dull in just about 10 minutes.

If you're into astrology, you can share your sign with your nails! Along with the at-home gel kit, NaiLuv is also giving away their Zodiac Collection polish set. The 12 shades are heavily pigmented and guaranteed to satisfy even the most stubborn of Tauruses. NaiLuv's polishes last for up to two weeks, and with such smooth application, you won't have to worry about bubbling, inconsistent drying, or runniness.

After a long winter of gloves and hands stuffed into coat pockets, it's time for you to show off your nails and welcome summer with bright, beautiful gel manicures. With NaiLuv, achieving a professional look is as easy as 1-2-3!



~~GIVEAWAY ALERT: To enter for a chance to win the Nailuv At-Home Professional Kit and Zodiac Collection, go to our [Facebook](#) page and click "like." Then, email [cupid@cupidspulse.com](mailto:cupid@cupidspulse.com) with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number BEFORE 5 p.m. EST on Monday, June 9th. In the subject line, please write "Nailuv and Zodiac Collection." You can enter the contest only once. Good luck!~~

***Congratulations to our winner Elisabeth Bender!!!***

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