

Newlyweds Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo Start Holiday Traditions



By April Littleton

American Idol finalists Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo, who have been married for six months are starting off the Christmas holidays together for the first in their relationship. “We’ve already been decorating, and it’s been a lot of fun because we’re creating our own traditions.” Young told [People](#) at Sunday’s annual Hollywood Christmas Parade. “We have a blank slate. It’s kind of weird.”

How do you compromise to start your own holiday traditions with your partner?

Cupid’s Advice:

Is this your first holiday with your loved ones? Are you curious about the ways to begin new traditions with your family? You don't have to start with a completely blank slate unless you choose to do so. You can always just build on some of the activities you already love. Cupid is here to help:

1. Talk about what's important: Sit down and have a talk with your significant other about the traditions you would like to introduce to your new family. You and your partner can incorporate some of the things you did during the holidays along with some of the activities he/she was raised to do. Building on the traditions you already have can make it easier for you and your honey to create new ones.

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2. Make a list: Create a list of some activities and ideas you want to bring into your family traditions this year. Have your companion make a list as well and then compare notes. Only pick the first couple of things you find important and save the rest for next time.

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3. Start fresh: Take a chance and do something completely different over the holidays. Bake a special pie or have your family think of a new game all of you can be together for years to come. Traditions start from new beginnings, so think of something your loved ones will enjoy doing time and time again.

How did you compromise to start your own holiday traditions with your partner? Comment below.

'Idol' Couple Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo Are Married



By Kerri Sheehan

American Idol crooners Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo have officially tied the knot. According to UsMagazine.com, the two got married on Saturday, June 1 at the Luxe Sunset Boulevard Hotel in Bel Air, California. The couple tried to make their ceremony specialized to really reflect who they are. "We want everybody to have fun, let their guard down," said Young.

What are some ways to incorporate personal elements in your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding is the perfect time to add some personal flare for guest to enjoy. Cupid has some advice on how to do so:

1. Food: Everyone that has ever been to a wedding knows that food is one of the most anticipated elements of the event. Adding your own favorite foods to the menu will help you share your likes with your guest. Also think about creating a signature “wedding cocktail” to be served to guests.

2. Décor: Decorations tell a lot about a ceremony. Whether you’re a big beachgoer, a world traveler, or a huge fan of a certain book or movie, you can easily incorporate those elements into your décor. You want the ceremony to really reflect who you and your partner are.

3. Wedding favors: This is another way to show guest who you are. If you’re a music lover then a mix CD is a good idea for a favor, or if you’re more of a foodie then some sort of wine or candy is another way to go. The possibilities are endless!

What are some ways you can think of to incorporate personal elements into your wedding? Share below.

Ace Young Proposes to Diana DeGarmo on ‘Idol’ Finale





American Idol has

always had its fair share of surprises; surprising eliminations, surprise celebrity guests, and surprise...proposals? That's right, two former *Idol* contestants, Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo, shared their love with the world when Young got down on one knee on Wednesday nights season finale. But to make this happen, he needed help from the show that made him famous on its fifth season. Young told [People](#), "I called [producer] Nigel [Lythgoe] directly last week and said, 'I want to do this. I'm going to do this. Is there any way I could do it at the show?'" A teary-eyed DeGarmo said "yes," and the long-time couple is now engaged.

What are some over-the-top proposal ideas?

Cupid's Advice:

For some, the idea of 'go big or go home' resonates well with proposals. A proposal should be momentous and representative of the love a couple shares, so here are some ideas to get that message across loud and clear:

1. Adrenaline rush proposal: It is said that the effects of attraction and love are linked to neurochemicals very similar

to adrenaline. So, why not proclaim your love *during* an adrenaline rush? Propose in the air while sky diving, or go race car driving with your partner and scream the question out loud. Just make sure that your blood is pumping and heart is thumping.

2. Flash mob proposal: Go one step further than Justin Timberlake did in his movie *Friends with Benefits* and actually use the flash mob to propose. Nothing says 'I love you' more than hundreds of people dancing in sync to your favorite song in a public place. It's a story you'll be able to tell over and over.

3. Write it out: It's not as easy as it sounds. Write it in the skyline or take a helicopter ride where the words 'Will you marry me?' can be seen below. It might cost you a pretty penny, but it will be unforgettable.

What crazy proposal ideas do you have? Tell us below.

American Idol's Diana DeGarmo Speaks Out About Her Romance with Ace Young





American Idol alumna

Diana DeGarmo is bringing her personal life into the spotlight. In a recent interview, DeGarmo explained exactly how she bonded with long-term boyfriend Ace Young, a fellow *American Idol* contestant, reports [UsMagazine.com](https://www.usmagazine.com). “We are best friends! I truly believe us having been through ‘Idol’ is one of the big reasons as to why we understand each other so well; unless you go through it, you don’t get it,” said DeGarmo. “We were the first Idols to do a Broadway show together, the first Idols to live together—and the first to write a country song for a soap opera together!”

Is having a lot in common a requirement in a relationship?

Cupid’s Advice:

Though opposites may attract, they do not always stay together. Here are a few reasons why having a lot in common with your partner makes for a better relationship:

1. Conversation: Especially when you first start dating, having a lot in common makes for easier conversation. Talk about your favorite places or your mutual love of action movies.

2. Dating: Dating becomes much easier when the two of you have similar tastes. When you and your partner agree often, there's usually no need to debate over where to go or what movie to see.

3. Compatibility: If your relationship is getting serious, you may need to discuss long-term goals and plans. When you have a lot in common with your partner, you may find this discussion easier.

Do you think you should have a lot in common with your partner? Feel free to leave a comment below.