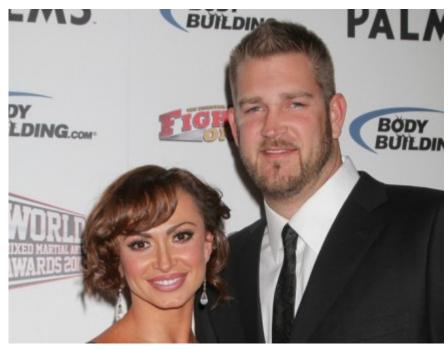
Rumor: Did Celebrity Couple Karina Smirnoff and Brad Penny Split?





<u>Karina Smirnoff</u> may

have won a Mirror Ball Trophy on *Dancing With the Stars*, but rumor has it that she's lost baseballer Brad Penny. According to *UsMagazine.com*, the 30-year-old professional dancer is no longer in a Hollywood relationship with Penny. The celebrity couple went public with their relationship in 2009, but in October of this year they decided to postpone their wedding due to "conflicting schedules." Despite wanting to spend more time together, the celebrity couple have now separated.

Celebrity couple Smirnoff and Penny

were close to getting married before announcing their split. How do you know when you've found "the one"?

Cupid's Advice:

It can take a lot of bad relationships and love that end in hurt feelings before finally find "the one." Cupid has some love advice and tips to know your partner is your true love:

1. Communication is key: You have no trouble talking and there's never an awkward silence. If you find that you can talk to your sweetheart about anything without being bored, that is sign of a lifelong compatibility.

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2. One in the same: If your life goals are similar, that's important. It's nice to be in love, but if you have no common life goals, trouble can occur quickly.

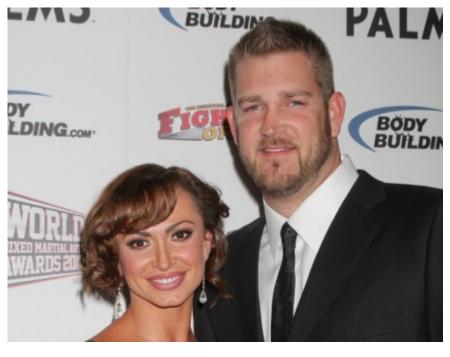
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3. Predict the future: When you think of your future and you can't imagine your partner not being there, he or she may be "the one." If you find yourself thinking about making a family with them and expanding your relationship and love, that may mean that they're meant to be in your future.

How did you know your partner was the one? Share your story below.

Karina Smirnoff Loves her Celebrity Engagement to Brad Penny





As confirmed by <u>Us</u>

Weekly, Dancing with the Stars' vixen, Karina Smirnoff, is currently in the market for something borrowed, something new, and something blue! Smirnoff has been creating celebrity news showing off her new celebrity engagement ring at TAO's fifth anniversary party in Las Vegas. The dancer says her celebrity engagement to baseball player, Brad Penny, was a complete surprise. "I was in the middle of the show and had no clue what was cooking behind my back. The dinner meeting was set up at a restaurant in Malibu. When [my manager and I] got there, it was completely empty. She excused herself to

take a call and while I was sitting there alone, Brad came in," said Smirnoff. "I had crazy hair and black lipstick on and was just concerned about looking like the Bride of Frankenstein. Even after Brad got down to one knee and opened the box with the ring, it still didn't register."

Smirnoff is happy about her celebrity engagement and excited to share her great news. What are some unique ways to announce your engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

Everyone wants to be the first to make an exciting announcement. When it comes to an engagement, either yours or that of someone close to you, it's everyone's instinct to want to shout it from the rooftops. However, Cupid has some more creative ways to make the big announcement:

1. Tweet it: Online, information spreads virally. The moment it happens, share your good news with your nearest and dearest on the web in real time. Expect tons of comments and retweets. You can even tweet pictures of the ring! Something as little as changing your relationship status on Facebook from 'In a Relationship' to 'Engaged' is bound to grab some attention as well.

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2. Throw a party: Parties are great for any occasion and are the perfect setting to make your first toast as an engaged couple. You may want to do a theme party that references a milestone in your relationship and love or have it where you

first met.

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3. Take over the holidays: Thanksgiving and Christmas happen every year, but an engagement is far more rare. When you're with friends and family this holiday season, steal the spotlight away from the Thanksgiving turkey and Christmas gifts by announcing your engagement.

How did you announce your engagement? Share below!