

8 Celebrity Couples Who Were Friends First



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They say that the best relationships stem from friendship. This is all too true for [celebrity couples](#) as well. Many [celebrity relationships](#) started off as friendships first and develop into more from there. This [relationship advice](#) shows us that it's important to communicate and establish a real connection first.

Cupid has compiled eight celebrity couples who were friends first:

1. **[Prince William](#) & Princess [Kate Middleton](#)**: It's well-known that this royal couple were college friends before getting together in a relationship. The rest is history, as their celebrity wedding aired for millions of viewers, and the birth of their two beautiful regal [celebrity babies](#) has been widely publicized. Long live the Royal Couple!

2. **[Ryan Reynolds](#) & [Blake Lively](#)**: Spotted! Actors [Ryan Reynolds](#) and [Blake Lively](#) actually met on the set of a film and became close friends. After that, their friendship blossomed into a loving relationship. Who says you can't mix business with pleasure? The pretty pair married in a beautiful [celebrity wedding](#), had a celebrity baby and have another on the way! We can't wait to keep watching their family grow.

3. **[Ashton Kutcher](#) & [Mila Kunis](#)**: *That 70's Show* stars [Ashton Kutcher](#) and [Mila Kunis](#) were friends and co-stars on the hit retro sitcom. However; they both were in relationships at the

time, so they just remained friends. Well after filming ended, the two united as a celebrity couple, married and have a baby daughter together. They show us that the best things in life are worth the wait.

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4. Jay-Z & Beyoncé: Arguably music's most notable and memorable celebrity couple is [Jay-Z](#) and Beyoncé. They are royalty in the music industry. They married in 2008 after years of friendship and music collaboration. In 2012, they welcomed their celebrity baby, Blue Ivy Carter. It's been noted that as of 2014, the couple have sold 300 million albums together.

5. Will Smith & Jada Pinkett-Smith: We love it when our favorite actors unite and show us that a celebrity relationship can last. Notable actors Will Smith and Jada Pinkett-Smith first met in 1995 during her audition for a role on *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*. The two developed a friendship and then married and had celebrity babies together.

6. Marcus Mumford & Carey Mulligan: Carey Mulligan is most known for her role as Daisy Buchanan in one of the versions of *The Great Gatsby*. It turns out that before she and Marcus Mumford tied the knot in 2012, they had actually been friends for quite some time. In fact, they were childhood pen pals. How cute!

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7. Ryan Dorsey & Naya Rivera: Fellow actors Naya Rivera from *Glee* and Ryan Dorsey married in 2014 after four years of friendship. Their celebrity wedding was in Cabo San Lucas and they had their son the following year.


8. Kanye West & Kim Kardashian: It's no secret that rapper [Kanye West](#), always had his sight set on reality starlet [Kim Kardashian](#). He even says in his lyrics, "I'll admit I had fell

in love with Kim, around the same time she had fell in love with him.” The married couple were friends for nine years prior to getting engaged in 2014. They are now happily married with a daughter and a son.

Who are your favorite celebrity couples who started as friends first? Share below!

Celebrity Baby News: Carey Mulligan & Marcus Mumford Welcome First Child



 By Kyanah Murphy

Does Marcus Mumford now have a son or a daughter? The sex of the baby has not yet been announced, but in latest [celebrity baby news](#), [UsMagazine.com](#) reports that Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford have just welcomed their first celebrity baby together! This sweet celebrity couple are on cloud nine with their new baby. Their family and friends are thrilled, commenting that the famous couple are being loving parents. That shouldn't come as a surprise as Mulligan and Mumford came together in the sweetest way!

This celebrity baby news is welcomed with open arms! What are

some ways to prepare your relationship for your first child?

Cupid's Advice:

Hearing of celebrity baby news is always fun, as you can't help, but wonder what that baby's life is going to be like. The news may even have you thinking about having your very own baby with your partner. Cupid has some ways to help you prepare your relationship for your first child:

1. Talk about it: Before you do *anything*, talk about it. Make sure you and your partner are on the same page and want the same thing.

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2. Make sure you're ready: Make sure your relationship is completely solid with your partner. You've been together for awhile and you're both financially stable. Most of all, make sure you are ready for such a huge change in your life.


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3. Remember your partner: Though having a baby is exciting and will demand a ton of attention and time, remember that you have a partner and you both have needs to fulfill with one another. Don't let having a baby make you roommates!

Do you have a baby? Are you expecting one? Share how you and your partner prepared below!

5 Celebrity Couple 'How We Met' Stories That Are Way Too Sweet



 By Kyanah Murphy

After watching countless Disney movies and flipping through hundreds of romance stories, we can't help but wonder if fairytale relationship and love lives truly DO exist in our normal, mundane world.

We're here to tell you that yes, they can exist in real life and Cupid has five [celebrity couple](#) 'how we met' stories to prove it!

1. Carey Mulligan & Marcus Mumford

Celebrity couple Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford started out as childhood pen pals! Over the years, they had lost touch with one another as their lives sped up and pulled them in other directions. As fate would have it, the old friends reunited after Mulligan attended a Mumford & Sons house party. Not long after that, the two became a famous couple tying the knot after less than a year of dating! They still write to each other during busy times, except now they're love letters!

2. Kate Middleton & Prince William

We may think we know how Kate Middleton and Prince William met (at St. Andrew's University, of course), but according to the Royal Biographer behind Middleton's biography, the famous

couple actually crossed paths before they attended St. Andrew's. The royal couple met through mutual friends and then got to know each other better when they arrived at university. Rumor also has it that Middleton was originally going to go to an Edinburgh University, but she then decided against it and applied to St. Andrew's instead!

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3. David & Victoria Beckham

During the girl power days of the Spice Girls, Posh Spice (aka: Victoria Beckham) and soccer player David Beckham met at a charity soccer event. The former Spice Girl admits she wasn't into soccer, so she didn't really know who David Beckham was. However, that didn't stop them from becoming a much loved British celebrity couple! David Beckham jokes that his celebrity wife chose him out of a sticker book and that he chose her "off the telly" when he saw the Spice Girls music video for "Say You'll Be There".

4. Jim Toth & Reese Witherspoon

Jim Toth had donned his shining armor when he met Reese Witherspoon. The celebrity couple became an item after Toth stepped in and saved Witherspoon from a drunken friend who was making a fool of himself and trying to hit on her. Toth collected his friend and apologized to Witherspoon for his friend's behavior. Witherspoon was charmed by Toth's behavior and the two became a celebrity couple, tying the knot not long after.

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5. Ellen DeGeneres & Portia de Rossi


The story of this famous couple is an empowering one. Portia

de Rossi first met Ellen DeGeneres backstage at an awards show where de Rossi was completely smitten with DeGeneres at first sight. The two officially met at a photo shoot in 2004 where both women discovered that they were attracted to each other. de Rossi comments that she was weak in the knees with DeGeneres. At first, the two didn't act on their feelings as they were both seeing someone else at the time, but fate would eventually bring them together as a top celebrity couple. de Rossi commented that being with DeGeneres and marrying her saved her. DeGeneres has been a solid rock for de Rossi in accepting herself and overcoming her hardships.

Do you know of other cute celebrity couple 'how we met' stories? Share below!

Newlyweds Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford Have a Charity Date Night



 Newlyweds Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford came out together in support of a charitable cause at the ARK Gala Dinner at London's Kensington Palace. They proudly supported this event arm-in-arm raising money for children's charity partnerships. The couple, who have previously kept their relationship private, are also involved in other charitable endeavors. According to *People*, Mulligan is selling the Prada dress she wore to the Met Gala on eBay and donating the proceeds to Oxfam.

What are some ways to give back as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:


Giving back to your community or helping those in need can not only make you feel better about yourself, it can make you feel better about your relationship. Here are some ways you and your partner can make a difference as a team:

- 1. Make a joint donation:** Making a donation together to a cause you are both passionate about can be a very satisfying endeavor.
- 2. Spend the day volunteering:** Plan a day in which the both of you volunteer at a soup kitchen or animal shelter. It'll warm your heart seeing your partner working next to you.
- 3. Support your friends' causes:** When a friend asks for your charitable support, get your partner involved, too.

Has involvement in charity brought you and your partner closer? Share your thoughts below.

Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford Tie the Knot



 Childhood pen pals from London, Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford finally tied the knot after reconnecting as adults, according to [People](#). Sienna Miller, Jake Gyllenhaal, and Colin Firth were some of the 200 guests at the wedding which took place on a farm in Somerset, England. Mulligan, 26, split from Shia Labeouf in 2010, but made a quick recovery by beginning to date Mumford, 25, in 2011 and getting engaged in August. The couple stays humble about their relationship, but their

reasoning for wedding in Britain was because “it’s where both their families are from,” a source told the *Sun*.

What are some ways to act on a longtime crush?

Cupid’s Advice:

It’s not easy acting on a longtime crush, but how are they supposed to know you feel that way about them if you don’t tell them? You need to be a little forward in order to get a straight answer on whether you have a chance or not. Here are some ways to act on a crush:

- 1. Reach out:** They can’t know you like them if you don’t give them some sort of hint. Start asking them to hangout with you more often, and feel out their reaction to see how to approach the situation next.
- 2. Be upfront:** If you have been hanging out with your crush for a while now, just ask them what they think about you two being together. If you don’t make it a big deal it won’t be so uncomfortable. In fact, it’ll be refreshing to get it off your chest.
- 3. Make a move:** One night when you are out with a group of friends and your crush is there, lead him or her to the bar alone or ask them to go dance. Step out of the friend zone.

What are some ways you would act on a longtime crush? Share your ideas below.

Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford: Engaged After 5 Months?



Two talented Brits are ready to walk down the aisle ... after only 5 months! Carey Mulligan and her musician boyfriend, Marcus Mumford of Mumford & Sons, reconnected last winter after being childhood pen pals in London. Mulligan, 24, and Mumford, 26, started dating seriously after the actress attended a secret Mumford & Sons show in Nashville in February. The Oscar-nominated actress had split from Shia LaBeouf last October. A friend of the two tells UsMagazine.com, "They're a great couple. Very sweet."

Is time a factor when it comes to getting engaged?

Cupid's Advice:

Some people believe that you should date for awhile before getting engaged, while others think that when you know you've found the one, why wait? Cupid has some advice:

1. Past the honeymoon phase: Once you've gotten past that initial butterflies-in-your-stomach phase and still want to be together, then you might be ready to walk down the aisle.

2. No point in waiting: Some people subscribe to the theory that when you know, you know. If you're 100% confident that you've found the one, there's no reason to wait any longer before getting engaged. Plus, you can always have a long engagement.

3. Living together: Time might also be a factor if you're considering moving in together. While opinions differ on

whether to live together before getting married, if you want to take this step before popping the question, wait a little while to get settled before getting engaged.

How long do you think you should be dating before getting engaged? Share your comments below.

Carey Mulligan and Singer Marcus Mumford Are Getting Serious



Actress Carey Mulligan and singer Marcus Mumford are getting serious about their relationship, reports UsMagazine.com. The two met after a secret *Mumford & Sons* show in Nashville on February 7th and immediately hit it off. A source, who saw Mumford and Mulligan a few days later at an *Arcade Fire* show, explained, " They were whispering to each other and enjoying the show. They definitely seemed like a couple." More recently, the couple have been spending time at Mumford's home in London, as well as vacationing in places like the Orkney Islands and in the Buckinghamshire area of Southeast England.

How quickly should you get serious about a new partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Especially after recovering from a broken relationship, diving into another serious relationship can be tricky. Here are a few ways to tell if you are ready for a serious commitment:

1. You are excited: Trust your gut. If you're genuinely excited about your new partner and feel that the two of you will be able to maintain a serious relationship, then go for it. Your enthusiasm will help the relationship succeed.

2. Past relationships are behind you: If there are any leftover feelings or drama from any previous relationships, you may not be ready to jump into another serious relationship. You need to be burden-free in order to give your new relationship a fair shot.

3. Your partner's feelings: Even if you are more than ready for more commitment, your partner may not be. Make sure that you're both on the same page before you try to take the relationship further.

Finding Love After a Breakup: Should You Jump In?



 By Kelly Seal

When someone leaves us broken-hearted, our natural reaction is to find love again as quickly as possible. Unfortunately, healing a broken heart takes time and patience. It's necessary to spend some time alone so you can build your own strength and move on to a happier, healthier relationship in the future.

Like us, many celebrities move from one relationship to the next, hoping that this will ease their pain and help make the transition easier. Eva Longoria started dating Penelope Cruz's brother Eduardo shortly after her split with Tony

Parker. Jake Gyllenhaal quickly started dating after breaking up with Reese Witherspoon, leaving a trail of girlfriends behind including Taylor Swift, Carey Mulligan and Jennifer Aniston. While romance creates a sense of happiness and excitement for a brief time, eventually old pain can start to resurface.

If you've recently endured a break-up, try giving yourself some time off and do the following before rushing back in to the dating pool:

Allow yourself to grieve: A break-up is a huge transition. When you've been with someone you love, it's natural to feel pain and anger. Allowing yourself to grieve over the relationship is part of letting go.

Hang with uplifting friends: We all have friends who can lift our spirits, be supportive and are just fun to be around. If you spend time around people with positive energy, it has an affect on your mood and can help lift your depression. Avoid friends who would rather complain about exes; this won't help you move on.

Do things that make you happy: Maybe you haven't been surfing in a few years, but have always enjoyed it. Or perhaps you put off taking those cooking classes because you didn't have time. Now is the perfect opportunity to do things you enjoy, and remember why you liked them in the first place.

Get to know yourself again: Sometimes, we feel so lost after a break-up we don't even know who we are without our exes. If you feel adrift, try doing something new, whether it's going to a new restaurant or paragliding on a Saturday afternoon. Trying new things lifts our spirits and puts us back in touch with the part of ourselves that is willing to take risks and grow.

When you've gone through these steps and feel like it's time to start meeting people again, go for it. Just be sure to

take your time and keep living your own life. Look at dating as a chance to meet many different kinds of people, rather than a way to get back into a relationship. The right man or woman will come into your life when you're ready to move on.

Shia LaBeouf and Carey Mulligan Break It Off



While romance might have been in the air between Shia LaBeouf and Carey Mulligan during the filming of [Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps](#), that doesn't seem to be the case post-premiere. The duo have indeed parted ways, with a friend claiming, "It just wasn't working," as the reason behind the split. With Mulligan back in Los Angeles filming indie flick *Drive*, a friend offers reassurance that, "[Carey]'s strong. She'll be fine!" Would a certain British actor, Tom Sturridge, have anything to do with this? Sources tell [Us Weekly](#) that isn't the case; they're just pals.

If things aren't working, when is it time to call it quits?

Cupid's Advice:

Every relationship has its ups and downs, but there's a difference between a rough patch and an unhealthy relationship. Here are some signs for when the going gets bad and you're just not sure whether it's time to break up:

1. All we do is fight: If every conversation ends with a screaming match, chances are you're having problems communicating with your partner. If the arguments stem from

trivial matters, try compromising and picking your battles. However, if these fights involve serious issues, such as your goals and values, remember: you can't change who a person is at heart.

2. The spark just isn't there: While it is common for the thrill of a new relationship to dissipate over time, there also just comes a point when you simply don't feel the same way as you used to about the person you're dating. People change, and if the spark that made your relationship special in the first place has gone out, then you need to reevaluate what makes you happy.

3. You want to see other people: It happens. You reach a point when you realize that your current mate is just not "the one" for you. All you can do is be honest and straightforward. Don't placate a relationship. It's not fair for your partner to think that you are 100% emotionally committed to your relationship, when you aren't.