### **10 New Celebrity Dads**





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Pregnancy, babies and parenting are always some of the hottest topics when it comes to celebrity news. Much of this news revolves around the mom and baby (think of how much time we spend on "bump" watch and anticipating Hollywood baby name choices), and an important part of the equation is often overshadowed: the celebrity dad. There are some great fathers in the celebrity world, and we wanted to shine a spotlight on them to celebrate their dedication to their children and fatherhood. Here is a list of our top 10 celebrity dads:

#### **Brad Pitt**

Hollywood heartthrob Brad Pitt is a father of six (Maddox, Zahara, Shiloh, Pax, Knox and Vivienne) with longtime love, Angelina Jolie. Often when Angelina is working, Brad plays the role of stay-at-home dad with the kids, and it seems to be a duty he relishes in. In a 2012 interview with *People* magazine, Brad revealed that fatherhood has made him a better man and explained that being a dad "takes you right off yourself."

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### David Beckham

Soccer superstar David Beckham is the dad of four (Brooklyn, Romeo, Cruz and Harper) with wife Victoria Beckham. David has confessed that he hopes his children will be independent and lead normal lives, despite their parents' star status. He is open about how challenging it is to spend time away from his family for his soccer commitments. He's also very proactive when he's with the little ones (he was recently spotted having some quality one-on-one time with Harper in Paris).

### Chris Noth

Sex and the City star Chris Noth is the father of one child (Orion) with his wife, Tara. Despite a long list of acting accomplishments, Noth is emphatic about his favorite role. He said, "I love being a dad… being a dad is by far my favorite role!" It may be difficult for some to imagine Mr. Big as a devoted dad, but Noth is frequently photographed as a hands-on dad (we have even seen him sport matching Halloween costumes with his little one), and has even said the sound of his son crying is "music" to his ears.

### Tom Cruise

Major movie star Tom Cruise is a dad of three (Isabella, Connor and Suri). While Isabella and Connor are grown and embarking on their adult lives, Tom is famously undertaking the role of single dad, in light of his recent divorce from Katie Holmes. While Suri calls New York City home with Katie, and Tom is frequently traveling for his movies, Tom remains committed to daddy duty for Suri. The duo has been photographed at Disney World together, and most recently, celebrating her  $7^{th}$  birthday together. Tom has also remarked that Suri can call him whenever she needs him!

### Ben Affleck

Boston-native Ben Affleck has three kids (Violet, Seraphina and Sam). After a whirlwind year of work and accolades for Ben, his current focus now is parenting his children, so his wife, Jennifer Garner, can go back to work. The couple has agreed that while one is working, the other will stay at home with the kids. Of his summer plans, Ben has been quoted as saying, "There's going to be a little Mr. Mom action."

### Matt Damon

Ben Affleck's best buddy, Matt Damon, is also a fantastic dad. Matt is a father to three daughters (Isabella, Gia and Stella) and a stepfather to Alexia, from wife Luciana's previous marriage. Matt has a simple rule that guides his life and establishes his commitment to his daughters: the family can't be separated for more than two weeks at a time. Matt is open about the fact that his feelings toward his family are much more than he ever expected, and has remarked that parenthood is "really quite something."

### Will Smith

The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air star is a father of three (Trey, Jaden and Willow). Will famously rapped about fatherhood in the 1990's song "Just the Two of Us", and he's watched with admiration as Jaden and Willow, his children with wife Jada Pinkett Smith, have launched their own acting/music careers. Will is very involved and supportive of their blossoming careers, and is always available to provide them with counsel as they navigate Hollywood. He has remarked, "I love producing my kids and my wife's TV show and all that. I think that's my most natural space in the business." The singer is father to four children (Leni, Henry, Johan and Lou) with ex-wife Heidi Klum. While Seal and Heidi are no longer married, Heidi knew that Seal would be a good dad the first time she met him because of his "kindness and compassion." She has publically stated that he is a great father and always puts the needs of the children first (even Leni, who is not biologically Seal's child), noting that he "does everything in his power" to make sure the kids are happy and safe. Time will tell how Seal adjusts to fathering without Heidi by his side, but we have no doubt he will continue to be a fantastic papa.

#### Matthew McConaughey

Matthew is dad to three kids (Levi, Vida and Livingston) with wife Camila. His recent acting schedule has been packed, but when he's not on set, Matthew's favorite activity is storytime with his tots! Matthew shared with *People* magazine, "My favorite thing is reading a five-minute story that turns into a never-ending story. When it's story time and I get to the end, there's no the end. The kids hate the end!" Matthew also loves long phone chats with Levi, when he's away shooting movies!

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#### Barack Obama

President Barack Obama has two daughters (Sasha and Malia) with wife Michelle. Despite his schedule loaded with meetings with world leaders and policy negotiation, Obama makes spending quality time with his teenage daughters a priority. Sasha and Malia absolutely know where they stand with their father; Obama told *Essence* magazine, "I want my girls to know that no matter what else is going on, they're my first priority."

What qualities make a terrific celebrity dad? Any other celebrity dads we should include on this list of Hollywood's

# 'Top Chef' Host Curtis Stone and Lindsay Price Tie the Knot





By Kerri Sheehan

The host of Top Chef Masters, Curtis Stone and actress Lindsay Price walked down the aisle this Saturday in Spain, according to <u>People</u>. Stone and Price had one son together back in 2011 before getting engaged in 2012. When asked about his honey Stone said, "She is a real sweetheart and I am lucky to have found her.

How do you know when you're ready to tie the knot?

### Cupid's Advice:

Transitioning from relationship to marriage is a lot harder than it sounds. Cupid has some advice about how to know when to make the move:

1. Trust: For a relationship to be able to make the leap to marriage the couple must trust each other above all else. If you don't have a shared trust then the foundation of your union is a weak one.

2. Life Goals: One thing that often causes divorce is when the two parties simply want different things out of life. If one of you wants kids and the other doesn't then you could be in for the fight of the century.

**3. Communication:** This component of marriage is vital. To make a marriage work you must be able to talk freely about any issues that arise.

Do you think you're ready to tie the knot? Share below.

### Katy Perry and John Mayer Hang with Friends





By Petra Halbur

Katy Perry and John Mayer were spotted with friends at a nightclub on June 7. According to <u>People</u>, the two singers spent their Friday night together at West Hollywood's Chateau Marmont along with around 15 other friends. It seems that Perry and Mayer are still on platonic terms, as the two sat apart all night. "I'm on the same journey as everyone else," Mayer told Ellen Degeneres when he appeared on her show in March. "Coupling is a tricky thing."

How do you know whether to get back together with an ex?

### Cupid's Advice:

"To date or not to date." That is, indeed, the question that many people ask themselves about their exes, especially if they are on friendly terms with them. But how do you know if it's the right choice? Cupid is here to help:

1. Are you better as a couple: Just because you and your ex are best friends does not mean that romance is the next logical step. Platonic compatibility and romantic compatibility are not the same thing. Before you make a move on your ex, think carefully about how you two would get along as lovers, again. 2. Are problems resolved: Think back to what caused the break up in the first place. Are those issues resolved? If not, then there is no reason to give this relationship another shot.

**3. Do you have the right motives:** Do you want to get back together just to be in a relationship, again? Remind yourself that it's better to be single than to be miserable.

How did you know whether or not to get back together with your ex? Tell us below.

# Kim Kardashian Calls Kanye West the "Love of My Life"





By Petra Halbur

Last Saturday, Kim Kardashian declared her love for Kanye West to the world via Instagram. On June 8, West's birthday, the

Keeping Up With The Karashians star posted a collage of photos of her and her beau on Instragram. She wrote, "Happy Birthday to my best friend, the love of my life, my soul!!!!" According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple have been together since April 2012 and are expecting a baby girl in July.

#### What are some ways to say "I love you"?

### Cupid's Advice:

"I. Love. You." Over time, those three little words can lose their significance through overuse. That's not to say, though, that you can't still find new and meaningful ways to let your partner know how much you care. Cupid has some ideas:

1. Bite the bullet: Take some chores off of your partner's hands. Volunteer to do the dishes after dinner or to walk the dog. It may not be romantic, but it's often the the mundane things in life that stand out the most.

**2. Spontaneous date night:** A bottle of wine and some lit some candles can transform an otherwise ordinary dinner into a romantic evening.

**3. Say the words … and mean them:** "I love you" doesn't have to be a hollow line delivery. Saying them while looking deep into your partner's eyes and holding hands can make all the difference.

How do you let your lover know that you care? Tell us below.

# Kristin Cavallari and Jay Cutler Tie the Knot in Nashville





By Petra Halbur

Kristin Cavallari and Jay Cutler were married over the weekend in Nashville, Tenn. The *Hills* star and Chicago Bears quarterback quietly tied the knot at the Davidson Country Clerk's office in Nashville on Friday and celebrated with a ceremony the following day on June 8. The ceremony took place at Woodmont Christian Church, which was listed #1 on Martha Stewart's "Wedding Ceremony Locations in the South." Despite the impressive location, however, it was an intimate affair. "It's going to be about 150 people, so not huge," Cavallari told <u>UsMagazine.com</u> back in May. "I was never the girl who dreamt about my wedding or any of that stuff, but the wedding how we're planning is exactly what I wanted. I think it's going to be perfect for what we're doing." How do you decide who to invite to your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

The guest list is, perhaps, the most stressful part of planning a wedding. Cupid is here to help:

1. Choose the wedding size: Before anything else, you and your partner need to decide how large you want your wedding to be. Once you've picked a guest count, then you can start prioritizing potential invitees.

**2.Consider obligations:** It may be tempting to exclude everyone you don't like from the guest list, but consider your familial and relational obligations to the people in your life. In some respects, a wedding is for the friends and family as much as it is for the bride and groom.

**3.** Don't do it for the gifts: Unless you're planning a wedding for thousands, don't invite that wealthy friend-of-a-friend-of-a-friend. It's shallow and transparently materialistic.

How did you pick your guest list for your wedding? Tell us below.

# Michelle Williams Steps Out with Rumored Boyfriend Dustin Yellin





By Petra Halbur

Four months after her break up with Jason Segal, Michelle Williams may have found new love. Williams was spotted hanging out in Brooklyn with artist, Dustin Yellin, in early June. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple attended a child's birthday party together along with Williams' 7-year old daughter, Matilda. Williams has been very vocal about her priorities as a mother. "Raising the kid is the work, yeah," Williams said in April. "That's my side project and my center project."

What are some ways to debut a new relationship to family and friends?

#### Cupid's Advice:

It can be intimidating to introduce your new boyfriend or girlfriend to friends and family. Cupid has some ideas to help:

**1. Make an event out of it:** Invite your beau to join you and your friends for a night out. The mutual activity will generate casual conversation and ease nerves.

**2. Don't put it off:** It's difficult to determine when to open up about your relationship, but try not to wait too long.

After a while, folks will begin to wonder if you have something to hide.

**3. Don't build him/her up:** Let your family and friends come to their own conclusion about your significant other. Jabbering on about how great he or she is will only make you seem desperate for approval.

How did you introduce your new partner to the people in your life? Tell us below:.

# Baby News: Jennifer Love Hewitt Is Expecting!





By Marisa Spano

Jennifer Love Hewitt, 34, is officially a mommy! *The Client List* star is expecting a baby with her onscreen hubby and real

life beau Brian Hallisay. This will be the first baby for Hewitt and Hallisay, reports <u>People.</u> "I'm obsessed with babies," Hewitt told <u>UsMagazine.com</u> in 2010. "I would love to have them one day."

What are some ways to support your partner through an unplanned pregnancy?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Pregnancy is a beautiful thing, but it isn't always planned at the right time, which can make it difficult. Cupid has some advice:

1. Talk out your feelings: It is important the two of you discuss your feelings together. Creating a baby with someone means you have to be open and honest, this is no time to hold back how you feel.

**2. Look out for one another:** This can be a stressful time. Make sure you take time out from other commitments so you can take care of the situation.

3. Acknowledge: understand and acknowledge each other's roles in the pregnancy and be sure to go through with it. This means helping out with the decision-making and making yourself available to help each other.

How would you support your partner? Let us know below!

### Kate Winslet Expecting Third

# Child, First with Husband Ned Rocknroll





#### By Marisa Spano

Maybe it's the warm weather, but lately it seems like everyone in Hollywood is getting preggers ... and now we can add Kate Winslet to the list, for the third time! <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reports that Winslet, 37, and her newly wedded husband, Brit Ned Rocknroll, are expecting their first child together. This baby will join in the family with older siblings Mia Threapleton, 12, and Joe Medes, 9. Winslet recently told <u>Harper's Bazaar UK</u>, "I think I can see more clearly now - about how the pattern of past experiences has shaped who I am, and the characters I have played - and I'm grateful for that." Guess this means it's the perfect time for Kate's third!

How do you announce your pregnancy to your children?

Cupid's Advice:

Announcing a new addition to the family can be tough on the children. You don't want to make them feel unimportant or less loved. Cupid has advice on how to do this:

1. Have an intimate conversation- whether this was planned or if it came as a big shocker, make sure you speak to your child in a quiet setting about the big news. Don't announce it to them with other family members. Your child is most important and deserves your time in a calm setting.

2. Give them attention- depending on the age of your child, they may get jealous or feel like they will not be receiving as much attention anymore due to this new child. Assure them that no matter what you love them and be sure to spend some extra time with them. A new baby means you will get caught up in planning for the baby's arrival, don't forget about your already born children.

**3. Be honest and open-** answer any questions that your children might have about the new baby. Do not make them feel like you are hiding anything from them.

How would you announce your pregnancy? Tell us below!

### 'Mad Men' Star Jared Harris Is Engaged to Longtime Girlfriend





By Marisa Spano

We would like to hope that Jared Harris is not mad, but rather blissful! The former *Mad Men* star, 51, is engaged to beautiful, longtime girlfriend, Allegra Riggio. Harris' fiancé could not hold herself back from the excitement and posted a *Vine* video of her heart-shaped Erica Courtney sparkler, reported <u>People</u>. According to a release sent out by the jeweler, the heart-shaped diamond rose gold engagement ring was custom designed. That's enough to drive any girl mad.

How do you know what engagement ring to get for your bride-tobe?

### Cupid's Advice:

Finding the right ring is a long and hard process. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Pay attention:** There are a lot of choices out there! Look at what your sweetheart wears on a daily basis. That should give you a clue of her style.

**2. Bring a friend:** Don't go to the jewelry store alone. There are going to be way too many choices. If possible, maybe even bring your love's mom with you. Mother's know best.

**3. Do your research before:** before you even set your foot into a store be sure to read up on diamonds. There are a lot of things to know and if you go without any knowledge you are almost guaranteed to do wrong.

How would you get the perfect ring? Let us know below!

# Jimmy Kimmel Celebrates Bachelor Party with Vancouver Getaway





By April Littleton

Jimmy Kimmel and about 20 of his friends went to Vancouver for a bachelor getaway. The late night talk show host spent the weekend at the Opus Hotel in Yaletown. Some of his guests included comedian Jeff Ross and former *Mad Men* cohost Adam Carolla. The bachelor party consisted of a weekend of bike rides, champagne and seafood. A source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "The bike ride was really awesome, (and) they ended up at a food truck called Fresh Local Wild. The guy who runs the food truck did a spread for the group – all local – crab cakes, oyster sandwiches."

What are some creative ways to celebrate a bachelor/bachelorette party?

#### Cupid's Advice:

The bachelor and bachelorette party is considered the last hooray when it comes to living the single life. These parties are a great way to celebrate the end and the beginning of two different aspects of your life. Are you looking for your last night of singledom to be exciting and memorable? Cupid has some advice:

1. Scavenger hunt: Running around town all night looking for a hidden "treasure" may be the perfect way to celebrate your upcoming wedding. You'll stay active throughout the game and a little friendly competition never hurt anyone. As for the list of locations and tasks, include questions based on your spouse-to-be's likes and dislikes and search around areas where you and your partner share special memories together.

2. Go co-ed: Celebrate your love by celebrating together. Grab your whole gang of friends and family for a night out. Go the movies or have a special dinner. Go back to the place where you had your first date and share romantic stories with your party guests. If as a couple, you prefer a more active environment, rent out a skating rink or spend the day doing outdoor activities — like go carting, miniature golf or swimming.

**3. Stay in:** If you're not much of a party animal, ask a couple of your closest friends over for a slumber party. Watch some

of your favorite movies, cook some of your favorite meals and pig out on cake and ice cream. Talk about each other's first crushes and the moment you knew you met the love of your life. It's guaranteed you'll have a night full of laughter and fun.

How did you celebrate your bachelor/bachelorette party? Comment below.

# Kristin Cavallari Wears Tiara While Celebrating Bridal Shower





By April Littleton

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Kristin Cavallari wore a sparkly tiara and sash during her bridal shower at The London in West Hollywood over the weekend. The former *The Hills* star shared a picture of her bridal getup surrounded by friends to her Instagram account Tuesday, June 4. Cavallari is set to marry Jay Cutler this summer. She and Cutler are parents to Camden, who's 9 months.

#### How do you personalize a bridal shower?

### Cupid's Advice:

A bridal shower is one of the most fun events you will get to experience as you're preparing for your wedding. The shower will be the opportunity for your friends and family to plan something that will pay homage to you. Your loved ones will get to showcase your personality through gifts, games and some unique activities. Want the day of your shower to be something you'll never forget? Cupid has some suggestions:

1. Pick a theme: Your bridal shower will show some character if there's a theme involved. Do you love to watch football with your partner? Pick a sporty theme for your shower. Maybe you're more of a girly girl. Deck out your bridal shower in all pink. Are you a goofball? Ask your guests to wear silly costumes and hats.

2. Decorations: Instead of gathering a bunch of store-bought decorations, get your bridal party to help you create your own. Throw some cute cutouts around the room, like hearts, wedding bells and flowers. Fill your party favors with personal objects. Do your friends know you can't live without makeup? Pick out an assortment of lip glosses and fill bags with them. Anything that shows off your style will be the perfect gift for your guests.

3. The location: The bridal shower doesn't necessarily have to take place inside of your home. If you're considering a sporty theme, think about having your shower outside or maybe even at a bowling alley. If you're all about keeping the party mellow and casual, maybe take the girls out to a spa. No matter what you decide, throw the traditional "rules" out the door and plan the shower YOU want.

How did you personalize your bridal shower? Share your experience below.

# Short Term Celebrity Marriages (Learn From Their Mistakes)





By Andrea Surujnauth

Celebrities seem to always be in and out of marriage faster than the rest of us. Take Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries, for example. The couple dated for a mere six months before deciding they were ready to tie the knot. Then lo and behold, 72 days later, the story of their split hit newsstands everywhere. A 72-day marriage is not something you hear about everyday, but in Hollywood, short-term marriages happen all the time. Kim and Kris may be getting a lot of heat for their marriage, but believe it or not, they are not the shortestlived marriage to ever hit Hollywood. Let's take a look at some celebrities who jumped the broom then called it quits shortly after:

#### Britney Spears and Jason Alexander:

This couple tied and untied the knot faster than Kim and Kris! This pop princess had a little too much fun in Sin City with a childhood friend, and it ended with a drunken wedding ceremony. Spears and Alexander were married for a total of 55 hours. The couple got their marriage annulled. We doubt they will be partying that hard ever again!

#### Dennis Rodman and Carmen Electra:

These lovebirds seemed to have fallen under Las Vegas' spell as well. At 7a.m., these two decided to jump the broom. The two denied intoxication and said their holy union was legit. However, actions speak louder than words because 9 days later, the couple got their marriage annulled.

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#### Mario Lopez and Ali Landry:

This Saved By The Bell heartthrob married actress Ali Landry in April 2004. Sadly, their marriage didn't even last long enough to make it to the honeymoon. The couple had their marriage annulled 18 days later. After dating for 6 years, Landry found out that Lopez had been unfaithful to her throughout their time together. Too bad she didn't find out 19 days earlier.

#### Renee Zellweger and Kenny Chesney:

This couple got hitched in the Caribbean after dating for only 4 months. They met at a tsunami-relief event and thought it was love at first sight. After 225 days, they annulled their marriage. Zelleger cited "fraud" as the reason for the split.

### Pamela Anderson and Kid Rock:

This bizarre pair had an on-and-off relationship from 2001 to 2003. In 2006, they opted for a drunken wedding on a yacht, Anderson wearing a string bikini and Kid Rock wearing a t-shirt and baseball cap. 122 days later, the two raced to the court to file for a divorce. Kid Rock beat Anderson by 53 minutes.

So the moral of the story is lying, cheating and alcohol is definitely not the basis of marriage. These celebs made the mistakes, so lets all learn from them!

What mistakes do you think celebrities make when choosing their spouses? Comment below and let us know!

### Channing Tatum and Jenna Dewan-Tatum Welcome a Baby!





By Petra Halbur

On May 30, Channing Tatum and Jenna Dewan-Tatum became parents to a baby girl in London. Unfortunately for the couple, there will be very little downtime to enjoy parenthood in the upcoming months as both mother and father will begin filming separate projects in July. "We're going to actually have the baby in London while I'm shooting [*Jupiter Ascending*] and then there will be no downtime whatsoever after that," Tatum told Ryan Seacreast in a recent interview. However, a source assured <u>UsMagazine.com</u> that Tatum and his wife's highest priority will be their daughter. "The baby will get top billing as far as priorities go," the source said. "Channing is going to be the most adorable, hands-on daddy ever and do whatever is necessary to make sure Jenna can balance it all."

#### What are some ways to balance your career and parenthood?

#### Cupid's Advice:

"A baby changes everything." If you're expecting, you've probably been told this. Overused though that phrase may be, it *is* true. As a parent you will have to decide how to balance your career with your child's needs. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Consider the longterm:** Ask yourself, in 18 years, what will you regret more: the sacrifices made to your career, or the

time you missed with your child? There's no right or wrong answer. Be honest with yourself and act accordingly.

2. Know that you can't do everything: So many parents wrack themselves with guilt when they realize they can't be fulltime parents and full-time professionals simultaneously. Don't do this to yourself. Accept your limitations. You're not a failure. You're human.

**3. Decide what YOU want:** Don't let other people tell you what's best for your family. If you decide with your spouse that you want to be a stay-at-home parent or continue with your career, then that's what's best for your family.

How did you balance your career with parenthood? Tell us below.

# Brad Pitt Shows What 'Unconditional' Means To His Celebrity Love





By Jane Greer, PhD

for GalTime.com

It isn't surprising that everyone is talking about Angelina Jolie's recent celebrity news of her preventative double mastectomy. The news sparked conversations about the procedure itself and the decision to go public, but I want to talk about her rock-solid support system. In a *New York Times* op-ed piece she wrote, "I am fortunate to have a partner, <u>Brad Pitt</u>, who is so loving and supportive." She mentioned her celebrity love was present for all of her medical procedures and surgeries at the Pink Lotus Breast Center. He has, in turn, recently called her decision to have the radical procedure *and* be public about it, "absolutely heroic."

While It Seems That Pitt Agreed With His Celebrity Love's Choice, That Isn't Always The Case. Does That Mean a Relationship Is Destined To Fail?

**Related:** <u>Relationship Advice: Why Are Women Attracted to</u> <u>Unavailable Men?</u> Sometimes a spouse or partner has a harder time accepting the other's decision to have a procedure whether it be preventative, corrective, or plastic surgery. They might feel the timing isn't right or the surgery isn't necessary. In order to be supportive and give unconditional love, a partner might have to put his own needs and judgments aside the way Pitt has clearly done.

### What To Do In Your Relationship and Love When Your Partner Is Having A Surgery

That might require some work on your part if you are the one offering the support. Being there for your partner in a relationship and love not only means in a hands-on physical way, but also an emotional one. There is no question that this sort of thing can be very disruptive. Say, for example, that you both usually share the responsibilities of the household you take out the trash and walk the dog, and he/she cooks and gets the kids off to school. Now, as your partner recovers, it is likely that all those tasks might fall to you. On an emotional level, the person who had the surgery might be irritable, upset, short-tempered and, at times, reactive and even lash out at you. If you can remember that your partner may be feeling vulnerable, helpless and out of control, it might help you understand where she/he is coming from, and then you won't take it personally and get into arguments. Realizing the distress doesn't stem from you can go a long way in helping you navigate the terrain of a caregiver and help you remain supportive throughout.

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Know that the upheaval and distress will be time-limited and your recovering partner will get better. Things in the

relationship and love will go back to normal at some point – hopefully soon. Remind yourself that, in the end, this will be better for everyone. Remaining positive during the recovery period will be good for both of you and get you through it with greater ease. Pitt's words and support for his celebrity love are an excellent example of what to do if you find yourself in a similar situation. The Hollywood couple seems to have their priorities in place as they do what they must to build a long and healthy life together. With that goal in mind, being supportive is easier.

# Blake Shelton Opens Up About Marriage to Miranda Lambert





By Petra Halbur

Blake Shelton and his wife, Miranda Lambert, have found the

key to a successful marriage: humor. Shelton spoke to <u>People</u> about his propensity for teasing his wife. "I'm always pestering her," he said. "I just cannot get enough because she gets irritated so quickly." Shelton and Lambert's willingness to laugh at themselves has helped the couple face the constant media scrutiny that they have been under since they married two years ago.

What are some ways to keep humor in your relationship?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Levity can get lost in the daily stress of a relationship. Maintaining a sense of humor, however, is vital to a healthy, happy relationship. Cupid has some ideas:

1. Laugh at yourself: If you want humor in your life, you're going to have to laugh at yourself. Self-deprecating humor, within reason, is a great way to lighten the mood and relieve tension.

2. Set boundaries: You and your partner should establish which sensitive topics are off-limits to jokes. This will free you both to poke good-natured fun at each other without fear of hurt feelings.

**3. Schedule comedy:** As strange as it may sound, incorporate comedy into your schedule. Go out to a comedy club together or watch a funny movie at home. The endorphins will do wonders for your relationship.

How do you keep humor in your relationship? Tell us below.

# Courteney Cox and David Arquette Finalize Their Divorce





By Petra Halbur

Courteney Cox and David Arquette's 13-year marriage officially ended on Tuesday, May 28th. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple, who have an 8-year old daughter named Coco, announced their separation in October 2010 and filed the divorce papers in June 2012, citing "irreconcilable differences." Despite these differences, though, the pair remain on good terms. "I don't recommend divorce in general," Cox said when she was on *The Ellen Degeneres Show* in January. "But he is my best friend and we've both grown and changed, and I think we both appreciate each other more."

How do you know when to start dating again after a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

Your love life doesn't have to end with your divorce. That said, after something as difficult and draining as a divorce is finalized, it may be difficult to tell when you're ready to start dating again. Cupid is here to help:

1. You've healed: Don't drag the heartbreak and turmoil left over from your divorce into your dating life. Give yourself the time you need to come to terms with your ended marriage.

2. The kids are ok: You may feel ready to get back out there, but make sure that your children are ready to see you with someone new. Talk to them about your feelings and encourage them to express their own.

**3. No rush:** Make sure you're not hurling yourself back into the dating game for fear of being alone. As difficult as it may be to be single again, this could be a wonderful opportunity to rediscover who you are. Don't pass it up in a hurry.

How did you know when to start dating after your divorce? Tell us below.

# Lenny Kravitz Says He and Ex-Wife Lisa Bonet Are 'Best Friends'





By Petra Halbur

Twenty years after the divorce, Lenny Kravitz is on great terms with his ex-wife, Lisa Bonet. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the pair were married for six years and had a daughter named Zoe before calling it quits in 1993. Still, Kravitz looks back fondly on his union with Bonet. "We were very young and it was wonderful," Kravitz says on the June 2 episode of *Oprah's Master Class.* "Zoe's mom and I now are best friends. It's interesting because that's how the relationship started."

How do you re-establish a friendship after a bitter breakup?

### Cupid's Advice:

"We can still be friends" is far easier to say than it is to do. How do you go about rebuilding a friendship after your romantic relationship has gone sour? Cupid has some ideas:

1. Take it slow: Do not rush things. Hurt feelings left over from a nasty break up can't be shrugged off. You need to give yourself and your ex time to heal before developing a platonic relationship.

**2. Come clean:** You need to be honest about any remaining bad blood remaining between you two. Sweeping unaddressed grudges

under the rug for the sake of friendship won't work for long.

**3. No green-eyed monsters:** Will you be supportive when your ex starts dating someone new? If not, you need to resolve this issue within yourself now because jealousy will be a sure-fire way to destroy your newly revived friendly.

How did you stay friends with your ex? Tell us below.

# Ireland Baldwin Opens Up About Boyfriend Slater Trout





By Petra Halbur

IMG model, Ireland Basinger Baldwin, is managing to make her long distance relationship with stand-up paddle boarder, Slater Trout, work. Baldwin, who lives in L.A. and Trout, who is based in Maui, try to visit each other at least once a month and make the most of their time together. "We don't do normal stuff," Trout told <u>People</u>. "We go paddle boarding with humpback whales in Maui. We go on athletic dates." Baldwin concurred, adding, "We're outdoorsy people. I love walks, hiking, exploring and being on the beach."

#### What are some ways to make a long distance relationship work?

### Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes careers, schools, familial obligations and other factors make it necessary for you and your partner to live far apart for a while. Long distance relationships are tough but it *is* possible to make them work. Cupid has some ideas:

1. Utilize technology: The good thing about long distance relationship these days is that there are many different ways to keep in touch. Using technology, like Skype, gives you and face-to-face time you need to make your relationship last.

2. Communicate daily, no excuses: Whether it's texting "Good morning" when you wake up or Facetiming at lunch, do your best to communicate with your partner on a daily basis. Don't let daily excuses get in your way.

**4. Long-term plans**: Be honest with each other. How long are you two going to be living apart and are you both okay with this arrangement? Avoiding the issue will only exacerbate the problem.

How did you make your long distance relationship work? Tell us below.

# Celebrity Couple: Stephen Amell Marries Cassandra Jean for the Second Time



By April Littleton

Arrow star Stephen Amell and the Hart of Dixie actress Cassandra Jean tied the knot for the second time in New Orleans Sunday, May 26. The happy couple originally married during a Caribbean vacation last Christmas. Before returning to shoot the second season of Arrow, Amell plans to travel the world with his wife. He told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "We're mixing in some international promotion for the show with a nice vacation. Stockholm, London, Monte Carlo, Toronto and China."

What are some creative ways to renew your wedding vows?

### Cupid's Advice:

Renewing your vows is a way for you and your partner to

declare your love for one another all over again. Getting your vows renewed expresses the fact that you're still interesting in keeping the commitment you pledged to your significant other all those years ago. Are you thinking about reaffirming your love in a special way? Cupid has some advice:

1. Go somewhere exotic: If your original wedding was close to home, take your renewal ceremony as an opportunity to plan a trip! Renew your vows in Hawaii or Italy! If there's a place you and your partner always wanted to visit, consider using that location for your special day.

2. Make it a surprise: Hide your vow renewal plans from your spouse until the big day! Trick your partner into getting dressed up and lead them to the renewal location. Make sure your friends and family show up ahead of time and have your vows in hand. This will surely be a surprise your loved one will enjoy!

3. Write your own vows: If you used traditional vows during your wedding, switch things up a bit and write your own this time around. Your personalized vows can say just about anything you want. Reminisce over your first date or talk about the birth of your first child. This is the time to look back on those special memories you and your partner share together and remind them you still love them just as much as you did when you first said "I do."

Have you renewed your vows? How did you make it creative? Share your experience below.

# Celebrity Couple: Adam Levine Dating Nina Agdal After Behati Prinsloo Split





By April Littleton

According to comments made to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> by multiple insiders, the Maroon 5 singer Adam Levine has been dating *Sports Illustrated* supermodel Nina Agdal since early spring. Levine was recently linked to Victoria's Secret Angel Behati Prinsloo, whom he began dating in May 2012. A source close to Levine said, "Behati was in and out, but they finally ended it. It wasn't an abrupt ending." Levine has yet to comment publicly on their split.

When is it the right time to start dating someone new after a recent breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting over a breakup can be rough, especially when you're faced with the option of getting back in the dating pool. People move on at different speeds. Some can get back in the game in a matter of weeks, while others take months to fully feel OK with the idea of giving their heart away again. Ultimately, if and when you decide to date again is entirely up to you. To help make the decision a little easier, Cupid has some tips:

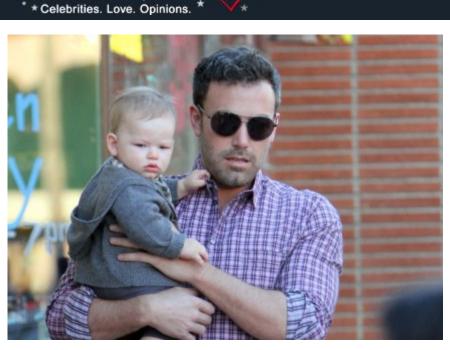
1. Mentally ready: Have you played around with the idea of moving on? If it hasn't even crossed your mind yet, then it's not the right time to let someone into your life. Don't rush yourself into dating someone new when your head is still filled with memories of your ex. Getting into a relationship you're not ready for will just make matters worse for you and your potential beau.

2. Emotionally ready: Have you stopped doodling your ex's name all over your notebook? If you have, it's safe to say you're ready to open yourself up to new love and possibilities. Do you still get emotional every time you hear "your song" on the radio? If you still tear up when that song plays and every little thing reminds you of your former boo, you still need time to heal.

**3. You've met someone:** If you have already met someone who completely takes your mind off of your former flame, this may be a small sign that you are ready to start dating again. If you find yourself thinking more about the new guy than your ex, you might want to consider taking things to the next level.

When do you think is the right time to start dating someone new? Comment below.

# Celebrity News: Danica Patrick Crashes After Boyfriend Forces Her Car Into Wreck



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By <u>Marisa Spano</u>

In car racing, car crashing is just a part of the sport, but things get complicated when it's your boyfriend who makes you bite the dust. Danica Patrick was involved in a car crash during the Coca-Cola 600 race in Concord, North Carolina this past weekend, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Her boyfriend, Ricky Stenhouse, Jr. may be responsible for the incident. The Associated Press says Patrick was on lap 319 of the race when Stenhouse Jr. bumped into her, sending her car into the back of Brad Keselowski's car. Both Patrick and Keselowski had significant damage and had to take their cars back for repairs. How can competition help your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Although competition can sometimes lead to fights in a relationship, it can also be a good thing if used correctly. Cupid has some advice:

1. Share each other's good points: When competing with your partner you are able to recognize and enjoy each other's talents. Make sure to highlight how your individual gifts shine positively on each other. Your partner will feel appreciated by you.

2. You can help each other: If you make this promise to each other it will decrease the level of competition and also squelch the need to be better than the other person. You can encourage each other to become a better person.

**3. Shared interests:** Competition in some form is a good thing. It means that you two have something in common. A common interest can bring you together; you can share the fun in whatever you both like to compete in.

What ways do you think competition can help your relationship? Let us know below.

# Celebrity News: Tiger Woods and Lindsey Vonn Jet Ski with

# His Kids for Memorial Day Weekend





### By Marisa Spano

Tiger Woods and his new girlfriend, Olympic skier and gold medalist, Lindsey Vonn, got into the summer spirit this past weekend when they took Woods' kids – Sam, 5, and Charlie, 4, for a jet ski ride. The four looked to be having great fun as they rode the water by Woods' home in Miami, Florida. But Vonn's family involvement doesn't stop there. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Vonn has even been seen taking Woods' two kids to school herself. Vonn and Woods first announced their relationship on Facebook in March.

### How do you introduce yourself to your partner's kids?

### Cupid's Advice:

A new relationship means meeting new family members, so how do you handle meeting your partner's children? Cupid has advice to help you:

1. Introduce yourself gradually: Suddenly appearing in a child's life out of nowhere is a huge change for them. You need to enter their life slowly through events, on neutral ground. Think going to the movies or the zoo. Don't just start hanging out at your partner's home all the time from the get-go.

2. Be honest: Don't pretend to be 'just a friend'. This is a bad way to approach the situation. Once it becomes apparent that you're dating the child's dad or mom, your relationship may create unwanted negativity.

**3. Give them space:** Now that you are in their lives, make sure you are not always present. It is important that the children still have quality time with their parent. Allow the children to have this opportunity. Don't hover over the family.

How would you introduce yourself? Let us know below.

# Celebrity News: Zoe Saldana Is Seen Kissing New Boyfriend Marco Perego in Italy





By Kerri Sheehan

Actress Zoe Saldana jumped into summer love with her new beau Marco Perego. The two were spotted partaking in a little PDA in Perego's home country, Italy on May 27th. A source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "They have an attraction, Marco is happy to be hanging out with her."

#### What are some ways to celebrate new love?

### Cupid's Advice:

When love is in the air it's important to celebrate it with you partner. Cupid has some advice about how to do so:

1. Take a cooking class: Nothing is more attractive than a guy who can cook. Sign up for a class together so you can take turns wowing each other in the kitchen throughout the course of your relationship.

2. Volunteer together: Celebrating love is more than just celebrating with you and your partner. Give back to those less fortunate than you while spending some quality time with your lover.

**3. Get cheesy:** This is the time to pull out all the stops and get really sappy. If you've reached the love stage then it'

clear that you both view the relationship as more than just a fling. Don't be afraid to do little things to show your partner you care such as sending them flowers, including them in your Facebook profile picture, and introducing them to your family.

How do you celebrate new love? Share below.

# Celebrity News: Chris Pine Is Spotted with Swimsuit Model Amanda Frances





By Petra Halbur

Chris Pine was spotted holding hands with swimsuit model, Amanda Frances, on May 24 as they left a nightclub together. "He is very attracted to her," a source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "they are having a good time." However, it is unclear if Pine and Frances are an official couple yet. "He's very excited about his career right now, too," the source said of the *Star Trek Into Darkness* actor. Pine stated that he is single earlier this month when he appeared on *The Ellen Degeneres Show*. He told Ellen that he is interested in women with "intelligence, beauty and a sense of humor ... You have to be able to carry a conversation after the initial attraction kind of dies down."

What are some ways to announce your relationship to family and friends?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Announcing that you are involved with another person is an inevitable part of being in a relationship but it can also be nerve-racking. Cupid has some advice for how to make it easier:

**Don't over think it:** It's important that you let your friends and family know that you are dating someone but try to keep things in perspective. Keep it calm and casual. You're announcing your relationship, not your engagement.

**Do it together:** It might be less intimidating if your partner is with you when you make the announcement.

It's your relationship: Of course, you want the people in your life to approve of your new partner. At the end of the day, though, you are the one in the relationship. As long as your relationship is healthy and loving, it doesn't really matter what anyone else thinks.

How did you announce your relationship to your family and friends? Tell us below.