

# Pink and Carey Hart Take Their Daughter on Dinner Date



Lovebirds Pink and Carey Hart sure know how to keep the firing burning in their relationship. The couple was spotted on a dinner date at hotspot Nobu in Malibu with who else, but their daughter Willow Sage, according to [People](#). According to onlookers, the couple seemed very attentive to the three-month-old baby and seemed to be having a great time. The Harts weren't the only celebrities at the popular eatery. As they were leaving, Balthazar Getty and his kids were spotted there as well.

**What are some ways to keep the romance alive when you have a baby?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Just because you have a child, that doesn't mean you can't keep the fire burning in your relationship. Cupid has some

ways you and your boo can keep the romance alive even after you have a baby:

**1. Include them:** What better way to embrace this new found joy in your life than by bringing your child along on date night? Head to a nice dinner or even a movie and show your child and your boo that you can still maintain a great relationship even when they're both there.

**2. Make time:** Even though you have a new member of the family, that doesn't mean you can't make time for just you and your honey. Plan a date night for just the two of you, and have a family member or sitter watch the baby.

**3. Go on a trip:** Head on a vacation with your baby so that you can all have new experiences together. Whether it be to a tropical island or simply a weekend getaway, try something new, and create memories you will cherish forever.

**What are some ways to keep the romance alive when you have a baby? Share your thoughts below.**

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## **Mark Ronson and Wife Honor Amy Winehouse at Wedding**





Mark Ronson, the late Amy Winehouse's producer and friend, honored the singer at his wedding in Aix de Provence, France. Ronson married French model Josephine De La Baume. The producer, 35 and Baume, 26 tied the knot after planning their two-day wedding affair in just six months. Shortly after Amy Winehouse, 27 was found dead in her London home on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, Ronson took to Twitter to express his grief, "This is one of the saddest days of my life." A source told [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), "Amy was a great friend of both Mark and Josephine and they would have been thrilled to have her with them at their big day, but sadly it wasn't to be." The bride and groom found a way to turn their feelings of grief into feelings of gratitude toward Winehouse on the happiest day of their lives with a memorable toast.

**What are some ways to remember deceased loved ones at your wedding?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

If you have a family member or friend who has passed away that you want to honor at your wedding (without tissue boxes and running mascara), find a way to incorporate the individual into the nuptials without ruining the joyous mood:

**1. Favorite song:** If your loved one had a song he or she

enjoyed, have the DJ dedicate the tune to that person, and get the crowd up and moving. Think “YMCA” or “The Electric Slide.”

**2. Memorabilia:** Something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue. Carry an item that belonged to the person who’s no longer with you in your bouquet (a picture or jewelry, for example).

**3. Wedding program:** When you watch a movie or read a book, there’s often closing credits that read, “In Loving Memory.” Well, “In Loving Memory” can be the first words in your ceremony program dedicated to your loved one. Just remember to keep it simple and meaningful.

**Have you ever been a guest at a wedding that turned sour because of a memorial to a deceased loved one? Share your experience below.**

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## **Marc Anthony Opens Up About Split with Jennifer Lopez**





Marc Anthony finally took a chance to tell his side of the divorce story between he and Jennifer Lopez. The singer opened up about the split in an interview with [ABC News](#), according to [People](#). “I’ll tell you that it wasn’t something sensationalistic happening,” said Anthony. And when he was confronted with questions about rumors of infidelity, he shot them down immediately, saying “absolutely not.” He explained, “It was a realization on both our parts. So you know it wasn’t shocking. These things happen. It was a decision that we made jointly.”

**What are some tell-tale signs that a marriage is nearing the end?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Sometimes no matter how hard you try, a marriage simply isn’t meant-to-be, and you’re better off calling it quits. Here are some signs that you’re heading that way:

**1. Lack of communication:** If you find yourself rarely talking anymore, and you feel indifferent about what your spouse is or isn’t doing, that’s a very bad sign. It most likely means you’ve given up on the relationship.

**2. Common fights:** If your fights are about the same thing over

and over again and they never seem to get resolved, it may be time to try a marriage counselor. Continuous fighting can tear a partnership apart.

**3. You've moved on:** Sometimes you can check out of a marriage before it's actually over. If you already feel a sense of freedom and find yourself doing things alone the majority of the time, it's probably time to rethink your union.

**How do you know when a marriage is nearing the end? Share your thoughts below.**

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## **Melissa From 'Bachelor Pad 2' Says She's Not Emotional Off-Camera**







*Bachelor Pad 2* drama

queen Melissa Schreiber insists she's not nearly as emotional off-camera as she was on the show, according to [People](#). The reality star, who ended up getting played by Blake on season 2 of the show after falling for him very quickly, says she no longer has feelings for him. "My friends and family have been so supportive. They know that I'm not that emotional outside of the *Bachelor* world," said Schreiber. "It's so funny. Every episode, I get like 50 text messages saying, 'Who are you? We don't recognize you on TV.' For some reason, when in the *Bachelor* house, I'm overly emotional."

**How do you avoid falling for someone too quickly?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Sometimes you can mistake lust for love and fall for someone you're interested in too quickly. This can often lead to heartache. Cupid has some advice on how to avoid falling fast:

**1. Make personal rules:** One of the best ways to keep yourself in check is to make a personal set of rules to follow in the dating world. For instance, make a rule that you won't kiss someone until the second date or you won't go on more than two dates in a week. Sometimes the beginning of a relationship is

the most exciting part, so taking things slow will prolong it!

**2. Stay logical:** This is easier said than done. Sometimes our emotions get the best of it and we follow them with a blind eye ... or head, as the case may be. Make sure to think things through logically before making any drastic decisions or statements.

**3. Cover multiple topics:** Falling for someone before you actually know him or her well is often a mistake. Prolong the “getting to you know you” process by asking multiple questions and covering many topics.

**How do you avoid falling for someone too fast? Share your experiences below.**

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## **Are You a Kim Kardashian or Tara Reid Bride?**







By Brea Gunn

Not every woman is cut out for a big Kim Kardashian-style bash for her big day. Many would prefer a quick and discrete elopement, much like Tara Reid's wedding. So, what's a girl to do? And how do you decide what's the right choice for you?

Let's take a look at things objectively for a minute. If you have a large family (and, wow, Kim K. does), then you have to examine how many people you're comfortable inviting to your celebration. If you have dreams of being a princess, a big traditional ceremony is just the thing for you.

Kim Kardashian's ceremony was just about as close to a fairy tale wedding as you can get...without actually being a royal.

Between the three costume changes, black and white color scheme, and nearly 400 guests, she wowed the guests with glitz and glam.

Here are four things to consider about a large, traditional ceremony:

- 1. The size of the guest list:** A traditional ceremony and venue will allow you to invite all of your family and friends, including those that you don't see too often.
- 2. The ability to change outfits multiple times:** I loved all

three of Kim's dresses. She looked fantastically glam, and because she was in a traditional setting (most likely with a dressing room), she was comfortable changing outfits.

**3. Knowing your vendors:** If you get married locally, there's word-of-mouth to rely on. I don't know many of us out there with a direct line to Vera Wang, but you should totally get the number of that amazing caterer that your friend had at her wedding.

**4. Help:** I cannot stress how important it is to get good help. It can be hard to find, unless you have family close at hand. Plus, you need to have someone there to help lace you into your gown.

Now, if a large, lavish affair just isn't your thing, you may want to consider elopement. Take Tara Reid and her whirlwind romance. One minute she's engaged, and the next second (okay, it was actually more like two hours), she's married! Thanks to Twitter, her family probably got the news the same way the rest of the world did. And eloping is just the thing if you aren't into all kinds of fussiness. It's quick, discrete and you can invite people...if you want. It's totally up to you. With an elopement, you have far less to worry about than with a big ceremony. Here are some things to consider:

**1. Destination:** You could go to the courthouse, I suppose, but it really wouldn't be much fun. So let's think bigger, like Tara Reid. Greece? Jamaica? Hawaii? There are lots of beautiful destinations out there from which to choose.

**2. Guests:** Beyond the location you get married, you have to think about whether you want to truly elope with no attendees, or have a few close friends and family fly in for the occasion.

**3. Pack:** After you make your travel plans, all you have to do is pack your bags and go. Quick, easy, and no fuss. Just be sure to bring a camera!

Whether you choose to be a bride like Kim Kardashian and live out your fantasy princess wedding, or you just want to get away and tie the knot with no chaos like Tara Reid, that's a choice that's totally yours. Whatever you choose, it'll be a day you will never forget.

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## Rachel Weisz Talks Babies With Daniel Craig



It looks like there's a possibility of adding a James Bond, Jr. to Hollywood's children in the future. According to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), Daniel Craig and his new wife Rachel Weisz are

considering having kids at some point ... or at least they aren't ruling it out. "Oh, I wouldn't make [a baby] just for the sake of giving my son a sibling," the actress said. "But... You never know." The pair married in June after a courtship mainly out of the public eye.

**How do you avoid the pressure from family and friends to have kids?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

"Everyone else is doing it" is often the justification for doing something, but it's important not to let that rationale get to you when it comes to having children. Here are some ways to avoid the pressure:

**1. Blow it off:** If you're unwilling to dignify a discussion about having a family in the future, people will stop asking you about it. Respond to any questions about having kids with one-word answers, and then change the subject.

**2. Explain:** Sometimes it can get annoying to have to discuss your life plans and why they exist, but with close family and friends it can be necessary sometimes. When they ask you about having kids, explain to them why it is you aren't ready. Chances are, you have logical reasoning behind it, and your loved ones will understand.

**3. Be straight:** If being subtle doesn't seem to be working, let your family and friends know straight out that you will have kids when you want to have them and you don't want them to pressure you. Tell them you'll have children when you're ready to make that step.

**How do you keep the pressure of having kids from getting to you? Share your thoughts below.**

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# Celebrity Couples Who've Made the World a Better Place



By Erika Mionis

Celebrity. For some, the word implies arrogance, narcissism, and superficiality. For others, it implies kindness, charisma, and power. While it's true that both definitions have their part in celebrity culture, more and more celebrity couples are trying to change those stereotypes by turning their focus towards charity and humanitarian efforts. Here are some of the main culprits:

**1. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie:** It's no secret that longtime partners Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt like to give back, especially when it comes to adopting children from impoverished countries. Jolie, a Goodwill Ambassador for the UN since 2001, has traveled to over 20 countries in attempts

to raise refugee awareness. Brad Pitt, though relatively new to charity work, impressed many by starting *The Make It Right Foundation* after seeing the damage caused by Hurricane Katrina. The Foundation has built over 50 “green” houses, and has brought more than 200 people back to the Lower Ninth Ward, a devastated neighborhood in New Orleans. More recently, the Jolie-Pitts made headline news when they donated \$500,000 dollars to the Joplin Tornado Relief Services in Missouri. Also newsworthy are the Jolie-Pitts tax returns, which according to Britain’s *The Independent*, show that Jolie and Pitt donated almost 5 million dollars to various charities in 2009.

**2. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith:** Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith’s charity work has been somewhat of a recent development. Since 2007, the Smiths have made several large donations of over 1 million dollars each, usually to religious causes. In addition to their religious donations, Smith and Pinkett Smith started the New Village Leadership Academy, a private school that offers both a challenging curriculum and generous financial aid to students. Recently, the longtime couple decided to “donate their birthdays” to the *charity Water*, an organization dedicated to providing clean water for developing countries in Africa. Will Smith asked fans to send \$42 to the charity in honor of his 42nd birthday, while Jada Pinkett Smith simply asked for fans to “send what they can.”

**3. David and Victoria Beckham:** U.K power couple David and Victoria Beckham actively participate in humanitarian work. In late 2009, Victoria visited Clay County, Kentucky, with the charity *Save The Children* in order to learn more about the children in the poverty-stricken area. The former Spice Girl rewarded the children with book bags and advice. Her husband, soccer star David Beckham has been a Goodwill Ambassador since January 2005 and is also a spokesperson for Malaria No More, a New York City-based nonprofit dedicated to treating Malaria in Africa. David is often seen on ESPN and other sports channels



in short clips for *MLS WORKS*, the Major League Soccer's charity project. Recently, the couple made news when they donated many of the gifts sent to their newborn daughter, Harper Seven, to charities in Los Angeles.

**Is there a celebrity couple you feel belongs on this list? Feel free to leave a comment below, and keep your eyes peeled for more celebrity humanitarian efforts.**

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## LeAnn Rimes' Ex Dean Sheremet Is Married



LeAnn Rimes isn't the only happily remarried half of her broken marriage to Dean Sheremet. Now, Sheremet has tied the knot with photographer Sarah Silver, according to [People](#). The pair became engaged in November of last year. After being married by a City Clerk,

the proud husband posted a video of he and his bride stepping out of the office. He was wearing a gray suit with no tie and his new wife was wearing a short one-shoulder red dress while holding a bouquet of flowers. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

**How do you know when you're ready to move on after a breakup?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Dean Sheremet and LeAnn Rimes were married for seven years before calling it quits. Now, both of them seem happy in new marriages. Cupid has some tell-tale signs that it's time to move on:

**1. You're smiling:** Perhaps you don't have a smile on your face *all* the time, but it's important that you've recovered from your past relationship enough that you're able to let loose and have a good time. No one wants to date a frowny-face.

**2. You've established independence:** When you get out of a long relationship, it's important to come into yourself again and regain all of the things that make you, you. Once you've done that, it's much more likely you're ready for a new and healthy relationship.

**3. You've tied up loose ends:** "She has a lot of baggage" is not something you want to hear about yourself. Make sure you've gotten close on your past relationship before you attempt to bring someone new into your life.

**How did you know when you were ready to move on? Share your thoughts below.**

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# Are Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel Rekindling Their Romance?



Are they back on?

Justin Timberlake was spotted biking with ex-girlfriend Jessica Biel on Sunday post-brunch. “They were in good spirits,” an eyewitness at the diner claimed. “They seemed happy ... They had a nice time.” A close source to Timberlake tells [People](#) that it wasn’t shocking to see the former couple hang out together. “They always remained friendly after the split and spent time together,” the source says.

**After a split, can you remain friends with your ex?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

Remaining friends with your ex isn’t difficult, unless your relationship ended terribly. Cupid offers tips on when to

know you're ready to rekindle your relationship with your ex:

**1. Take a break:** Spend some time away from your ex for a while to process your feelings about him or her.

**2. Process your feelings:** After some time, if you realize that it was best for you to split with your former flame and you know that you wouldn't want to be in a romantic relationship with your ex, talk with him or her and figure out how you can remain friends.

**3. Spend time:** It's best to start off spending time with your ex by inviting him or her to get-togethers with your friends. If you're spending time alone instead of in a group, your feelings may return.

**Do you think one can remain friends with their ex? Let us know by commenting below.**

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**Rumor: Lauren Conrad Is  
Dating 'Teen Wolf' Star  
Colton Haynes**





Lauren Conrad is known for being on trend and it looks like her love life is no exception. *The Hills* alum is rumored to be dating one of the stars of the hugely popular MTV show, *Teen Wolf*. Conrad, 25, was spotted with actor Colton Haynes, 23, at an L.A. hotspot last week. While there was no official PDA, “They have been good friends for a long time,” a source tells [People](#). Conrad ended a three-year relationship with actor Kyle Howard, 33, in June.

**How do you keep your brand new relationship out of the spotlight?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

When you’ve started dating someone new, sometimes you want to keep it under wraps until things get serious. Cupid has some tips on how to make sure your new love affair stays out of the public eye:

**1. Don’t tell:** Keep mum about your new relationship and if a friend finds out, ask them to respect your privacy and keep it on the DL until you’re ready to tell other people.

**2. Plan your dates:** Think about where you two decide to hang out and make sure it’s not a place your family or friends go

often. At the beginning stages of your relationship, let your love grow in private if you want to stay out of the spotlight.

**3. Ask your mate:** Make sure you and your new boo are on the same page. If you want to keep your relationship secret until it gets serious, check to see if your partner is okay with not telling.

**What are some other ways to keep your relationship private? Share your comments below.**

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## **He Said/She Said: David Good and Natalie Getz Discuss Episode 4 of Bachelor Pad 2**



By

Jennifer



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The drama is never-ending on Bachelor Pad 2! This week's episode started with Jake's dramatic farewell, a kissing competition and more emotional breakdowns from Melissa. Two more contenders – William and Melissa – were eliminated in their quest for love and money. After this crazy episode, we chatted with our Bachelor Pad 2 experts, David Good and Natalie Getz, to see what they thought about the action.

**We learned tonight that Blake and Ella are the best kissers in the house – were you surprised they were crowned the King and Queen of Kissing in the Pad? When you first learned of the competition tonight, who did you predict would be the winners?**

**He Said:** I was not surprised actually. Ella is pretty quiet and they say “it's always the quiet ones” and she has nice lips. I thought Michelle might win when I first heard of it, but she vowed out so it was wide open.

**She Said:** I thought either Blake or Kirk would win the competition, because neither of them are in a relationship and they just look like they would be good kissers! As for the girls, I predicted Ella to win because she is bound and determined to win the money for her son. She was on the chopping block last week, so I knew she would do anything this week to stay safe! The guys were being all dramatic and weird about kissing Vienna and Holly, which was annoying because it's a game! Tenley and Elizabeth kissed all the guys on our season even though Kovacs and Kiptyn were their boyfriends. I even kissed Kiptyn and Kovacs right in front of the girls and we all laughed so hard about it.

**Do you agree or disagree with Michelle's decision to sit out of the kissing competition? Did you think she was putting herself in a risky position by sitting out of this week's challenge?**

**He Said:** I don't disagree or agree with it. She has a daughter that she does not want to see her doing that. On the other hand, you know you are signing up for that kind of thing on the show. It's not right or wrong because she is the one putting her neck on the line by not giving herself a chance to get a rose.

**She Said:** Not at all, she definitely did the right thing. She knew there was no possibility of her going home, so she didn't need this challenge. She respectfully bowed out and didn't make a big deal about it like some on our season. Plus, her daughter is only 6, but extremely mature so Michelle wants to be a good role model for her. Ella was on the chopping block the week before so her situation was very different. She felt as though she needed to win to be safe and closer to the money.

**Blake is definitely playing the field – we've seen him charm Melissa, Holly and Erica. This just doesn't seem smart, but is it possible this strategy may work out for him, or do you think it's just a matter of time before the group turns against him and votes him off?**

**He Said:** It is just a matter of time before they turn. They are women and whether women want to admit it or not, very few can handle that sort of thing and roll with it without letting their emotions get involved and turning on him as a group.

**She Said:** This is a terrible strategy, but he shot himself in the foot when he partnered up with Melissa right off the bat. He jumped the gun before assessing the situation and he will ultimately go home. I predict next week since he now has all the guys pissed at him out of his lack of respect for Michael. I like Blake, but I don't think he necessarily needs the money as much as others in the house.

**William didn't get too much camera time and it was hard to tell what others in the house thought of him. If you had to**

**guess, why did he go home? Did it ultimately hurt him that he didn't have a romantic alliance or partner?**

**He Said:** I think the household liked him as a person. He is a funny guy. He was kind of a floater, though, and that can make you an easy target for everyone to send home. That's exactly what happened.

**She Said:** With the mentality of this cast, being in a partnership certainly didn't help his cause. The cast loved him and it was difficult for them to see him leave, but no one was in an alliance with him. If I were part of the powerful 6, I would have gathered everyone when Kasey and Vienna were off making out somewhere and collaborated to kick them off.

**The field of competition is getting smaller and smaller every week – at this point, which pair do you think is the strongest contender for the \$250,000? And which couple do you think is most likely to walk away from the house in love?**

**He Said:** I think the couples will be split up, so no couple is safe. I think Vienna and Kasey (as weird as it sounds) will still be a couple and go out together on this show. Crazy, but hey ... love is crazy.

**She Said:** I think the strongest partnership by far is Graham and Michelle. They are just coasting along right under the radar. These two are also most likely to walk away with love. They are both incredibly mature individuals who know what they want in life and I wouldn't be surprised if they won the money and the love.

**Be sure to tune in next Monday night for the next episode of Bachelor Pad 2! While you're watching, send us your questions for David and Natalie!**

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# Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux Move In Together



Jennifer Aniston and her new beau Justin Theroux took a big step in their relationship by deciding to become roommates. [People](#) reports that the couple is currently renting a two-bedroom house in the Hollywood Hills while searching for a more permanent settlement. “Jen and Justin are very excited about living together in their new home,” a source said. Aside from some privacy, the home, which Aniston rented Aug. 1, offers hardwood floors, a new ozone pool, spa and viewing deck. Aniston’s old home in Beverly Hills sold for \$38 million.

**How does your relationship change when you live with your partner?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

In most cases, moving in with your lover can make things complicated at times. Cupid weighs the pros and cons:

**1. Time is of the essence:** Most couples expect to be spending more time together when they move in together. Technically this is true because you have the night together, but you'll be surprised by how much "quality time" is missing once the honeymoon period is over.

**2. 'Space: the final frontier':** If you're a person who needs a lot of space after a disagreement, then you may want to reevaluate your living situation – or have a spare room.

**3. 'After the thrill is gone':** Similar to the beginning of your relationship, once the initial "honeymoon" period is over, a person's guard is let down and his or her true character appears. This happens when you move in with your lover, except on a much larger scale. Act accordingly.

What do you think are the pros and cons of moving in with your partner? Share your experiences below.

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# **An Introduction for a Lifetime: Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick**





By Bari Lyman,

author of *Meet to Marry*

With so many options for meeting a potential partner these days, like dating sites, speed dating or singles events, we often forget that one of the most successful ways to find that special someone can be through an introduction. It's a time-tested and successful model for creating a good match and since the person introducing you is usually a close friend, family member or mentor, they typically have your best interest in mind.

An example of a happy celebrity couple who met via introduction are Sarah Jessica Parker and her husband, Matthew Broderick. The duo have been happily married for 14 years and were originally introduced through her brother.

If you're looking for a way to meet someone special, following are some Meet to Marry, Date To Marry tips I share with singles who want to find "the one." Hopefully this advice will lead you toward a wonderful and inspiring union.

**Be marriage ready, make dating a priority and be open to all possibilities!**

Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick met when her



brother introduced the two during a trip to the movies. Shortly after their initial meeting, they were inseparable. Because they were both open to the possibility of love, they still have a successful marriage to this day.

### **Never marry potential.**

Broderick told *People* magazine in 1998, "We love each other and let the other person be themselves. We don't try to convince the other to be something they're not." A key element for a successful relationship is to be happy with your partner without trying to change him or her.

### **When it's right, it will flow.**

This celebrity pair was clear about who they were in their relationship and they were both ready to become involved in a serious commitment. Throughout their marriage, Broderick says that the two have never spent more than two weeks apart. Marriage-ready people understand that a relationship requires maturity, generosity and self-awareness in order to work.

### **Be clear about your vision, values, and goals when dating for marriage.**

While these two celebrities are from different parts of the country (Ohio and New York City), they share the same important underlying vision. They are both half-Jewish, so their backgrounds reflect similar religious values as well. Having a common ground is important for building a family. They also share mutual admiration for each other and find the same characteristics (such as humor) to be important.

If you're looking for your happily ever after, try out the tips above and let us know how they work.

**Were you introduced to your partner through a friend or family member? Share your experiences below.**

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# 'American Idol' Alum Jason Castro Welcomes a Baby Girl



*American Idol* alum

Jason Castro and his wife Mandy welcomed a beautiful baby girl into the world this past Sunday, according to [People](#). The baby girl, named Madeline Emilia Castro, is the first child for the Castros and they are ecstatic. On his website back in April when he first announced they were expecting, Jason's quoted as saying, "We just found out yesterday that it is going to be a girl! That makes me laugh ... what am I going to do with a sweet little girl?! Probably just smile a lot ... I cannot wait!!!" Congratulations to these two love birds and their growing family.

**What are some ways to prepare your lifestyle for a child?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Bringing a baby into the world is a pretty big task, and Cupid has some tips on how to prepare your lifestyle:

**1. Make 'me' time:** Even though you're about to have a child, that doesn't mean you and your partner have to give up time for yourselves. The most important thing to remember is to continue to maintain a healthy and loving relationship.

**2. Get advice:** A great way to prepare for a baby on the way is to get advice from family and friends on what to expect. This way you know what you're getting into, and you can prepare accordingly.

**3. Coordinate your schedules:** Make sure you and your partner have a plan when it comes to taking care of the new addition to your family. Whether it be who is on diaper duty or who is going to stay home with the baby, making appropriate plans is the key to preparing your lifestyle for a child.

**What are some ways to prepare your lifestyle for a child? Share your thoughts below.**

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## **Does Kim Kardashian Want Babies Already?**





Although Kim Kardashian tied the knot with Kris Humphries earlier this month, she's already thinking of babies, according to family friend Lisa Gastineau. "She wants babies. Let's cross the fingers. And her mom wants her to have babies quick!" Gastineau told [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) on Saturday in Hollywood. Gastineau believes Kardashian will be a great mom, and she's confident that Humphries will be a great family man. "He adores [Kim]. I wish that every girl that I know had someone that adores her. Just the way that he looks at her. He's so cool, he stands up to her. Kim is a little dynamo. It is amazing; it is a fun, fun relationship watching them!"

**Is there such thing as bad timing when it comes to having a baby post-marriage?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Although some couples take advantage of their time alone as newlyweds, others prefer having children immediately. Here are a few things to consider before starting a family:

**1. Financially stable:** Make sure you both have a career and are doing well financially, because taking care of children is expensive.

**2. Goals:** Do you both have future goals? Think about how having children might affect your dreams and relationship.

**3. Ready for babies:** You and your spouse have to understand the responsibilities involved when raising children. Make sure it's something you both want.

**When do you think a couple should start having kids after marriage? Share your thoughts below.**

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## Beyoncé Announces Pregnancy at VMA's



Beyoncé stunned the world Sunday night when she announced that she and husband Jay-Z are expecting their first child. If it wasn't already obvious, the diva showed up to the VMA's in an orange wrap

dress and kept rubbing her belly, according to [People](#). After confirming the rumors from the red carpet, she went on to show off her baby bump while on stage performing 'Love On Top' and started off the performance by screaming, "I want you to stand up on your feet. I want you to feel the love that's growing inside me." Jay-Z was in the crowd, as excited as ever about the news, and the couple seemed happy to share it with the world.

**How do you know at what age to have a baby?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

It's not always easy to know when it's the right time to have a baby. Cupid has some advice:

**1. It feels right:** If you and your partner have discussed having a child for a while and the two of you agree that now is the time, then it doesn't matter what age you are; the time is right for both of you.

**2. Ask your doctor:** With modern day technology and medicine, your doctor should be able to tell you when the best time to have a child is in order to have a smooth and healthy pregnancy.

**3. It just is:** Most pregnancies aren't planned and, in fact, are a surprise, so sometimes you're ready because you have to be!

**How do you know at what age to have a baby? Share your thoughts below.**

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# 'Bachelor Pad 2' Recap Episode 4: Blake Julian Gives Holly Durst a Rose



With Jake Pavelka eliminated, a new love triangle – involving Blake, Holly and Michael – has emerged on this week's episode of *Bachelor Pad 2*. This week's challenge might have ended some relationships and put a spark on others.

## **Kissing Contest:**

Chris Harrison claims this contest was the most popular competition last season, but it didn't seem like the contestants wanted to take part in it in this year. To set a good example for her 6-year-old daughter, Michelle Money backed out of the challenge. The ladies are first, and once they're blindfolded, they are kissed by every guy. When the winners were announced, Chris states that they won with an



overwhelming majority of the votes.

**Challenge Winners:** Blake Julian and Ella Nolan

**Immunity and Dates:**

Ella chooses Kirk for her date, which involves driving a red Ferrari to the Casa Bachelor Annex, where they have dinner. Kirk tells Ella about his life-threatening battle with mold, and Ella talks about witnessing her mother's murder. She gives him a rose, and then they ride on a hot air balloon.

Blake invites Holly on a date, which naturally causes Melissa to throw a tantrum. They head to a ski slope on a private jet, and later spend time in front of a fire, where Blake asks Holly about her feelings toward Michael Stagliano. Holly decides to spend the night with Blake at the log cabin, while viewers get to see Michael alone in the pad, pining for his ex-fiancée.

**Back at 'The Pad':**

Michael and Holly:

Holly confesses to Michael that she kissed Blake and he breaks down, admitting that he's falling in love with her again. She's torn between him and Blake.

Kasey and William:

As usual, the girls vote off a guy and vice versa. As the girls wonder whether to eliminate Kasey or William, Kasey comes up with a strategy that's he's sure will save him. He tells Ella and Kirk, "I'm not trying to sell a story, but just know that the money is necessary for my grandma to live."

Melissa:

Meanwhile, the guys join forces to vote Melissa off instead of Vienna because of all the drama she causes. "I can't imagine

the amount of hell Melissa causes Blake, because I don't even speak to her and I feel like she drains the life out of me," says Graham. When William tells Melissa he voted for her, she freaks out and asks every guy to save her from elimination.

**Elimination:**

When all of the roses are handed out, William and Melissa are left empty-handed. While in the limo, they both shed tears – Melissa more so – and in voice-over, Michelle says “Melissa deserves all the happiness in the world” and William didn't deserve to be eliminated.

**Predictions:**

Our bet is still on Michelle Money, Michael Stagliano and Ella Nolan.

Stay tune for next week's recap. In the meantime, if you have questions about the *Bachelor Pad 2*, send them in. We will have former winners, Natalie Getz and David Good with us all season to answer them.

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## 10 Restaurant Ideas to Help Your Relationship Grow Stronger





By Molly Borter

You've heard it before: "The way to a man's heart is through his stomach." While men all over the world "eat up" this saying, what they forget is that food is a major way into a woman's heart, too. More to the point, couples who share a mutual love of food form stronger bonds with each other. Statistics show that 75% of Americans eat out at least once a week, so why not spend that meal with your special someone?

Here's a list of restaurant genres that should be on every couple's food forecast:

### **1. The Quiet Café**

They say that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so why not find a café that both of you love that's calm and cozy. It will make waking up every Saturday morning even better, and there's nothing more comforting than a place that knows exactly how you like your eggs and coffee, without even asking. The best cafés are less crowded and more secluded, so find a low-key spot that not a lot of people know about. For extra intimacy points, opt for al fresco seating!

### **2. The Favorite Pizza Joint**

On nights when neither of you really want to cook, pizza makes

a great fail-safe plan. Better yet, pizza can be taken to go, when a Friday night spent cuddling in front of the DVR is in order, or eaten right at the “joint” itself, when a laidback, Italian atmosphere is just what you need to relax and wind down. Having a favorite pizza joint to turn to, where you can enjoy some quality, casual conversation, is the perfect pair pleaser.. Bon appétit!

### **3. The Swanky Bar**

Every once in a while, a couple needs an excuse to dress up and enjoy a few cocktails and hors d’oeuvres over sultry music and hushed voices. A swanky bar makes it easy for you and your significant other to spend a sophisticated evening together – sipping, snacking, and schmoozing. On evenings like these, let loose and explore the city together, because you never know where it might lead you.

### **4. The Neighborhood Park**

It’s not technically a restaurant, but a park can be the best place to snuggle up together on a blanket and enjoy a homemade meal, especially if there’s live music playing nearby. Whether it’s hummus and pita chips or a new dinner recipe, grab a picnic basket, throw a bottle of wine into your cooler, and have yourself an instant (and affordable) meal full of deep conversations and quality time stargazing.

### **5. The Local Brewery**

What guy doesn’t love beer tasting with his babe? Local micro-breweries are popping up left and right these days, and they’re the latest choice for a fun date night. Not only will the beer be a hit with your man, but with menus that feature all the American classics, like juicy burgers, hearty sandwiches, and baskets of fries, these bustling establishments score points on all levels. Go spend a rowdy evening together and enjoy one of the newest dining

phenomenons around.

## **6. The Ice Cream Shop**

Not just for after dinner anymore, spending a random afternoon at an ice cream parlor, with one hand clutching a giant waffle cone, and the other hand intertwined with your significant others, can be a playful way to eat together. Spontaneous moments like these can spark childhood nostalgia and help you connect to the memories you're creating at the moment.

## **7. The Go-To Ethnic Food**

Some like it hot. Others like it with chopsticks. Decide on your go-to ethnic food, whether it's Mexican or Thai, and make an attempt to visit every restaurant in town specializing in your favorites. For example, become sushi experts together by sampling different types of rolls at each place. You'll not only love trying dishes together you previously might not have eaten alone, but you'll be able to recommend your top picks to other couples as well.

## **8. The Quirky Diner**

Most towns have an old diner that everyone loves because of the endless menu, eccentric wait staff, and a hodge-podge of tacky décor. Diners have a little bit of this and that, from chicken to pancakes, and usually serve a majority of their items all day long—which is perfect for when you two get the craving for breakfast at dinner time. Channel your old-fashioned side as a couple.

## **9. The Trendy, Upscale Restaurant**

An upscale, modern restaurant is ideal for the times when you want to create perfect evenings together under dim lighting and listening to soft background music. And with fresh, innovative food, whether it is a premiere seafood restaurant or the latest steakhouse, you both will enjoy the chance to

bond on a whole new, elegant level. Special restaurants make you feel special together.

## 10. The Classic

This is probably the easiest to choice on the list, because you've already been there. Perhaps it's the place you went on your first date, the place you got engaged, or the place you find yourselves going to over and over again. It's the restaurant where you relive special memories, and it never fails to keep the spark alive.

As you start to find your favorites spots to frequent from the list above, your choices will shape and shift to include the atmospheres and menus you both love. Soon, you'll find that each restaurant becomes a classic, where you can sit and talk for hours, sharing hilarious and meaningful conversations and creating memories together that earn the coveted title, "Your Place."

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# Leonardo DiCaprio's Gift to Blake Lively's Dad





Leonardo DiCaprio couldn't be there for his girlfriend Blake Lively's birthday, but he made up for it by surprising her dad on *his* birthday. While the *Gossip Girl* star partied with friends at Darby in New York City last week, Leo was in Australia filming *The Great Gatsby*. But when Lively's dad Ernie celebrated his birthday in L.A. on August 14, DiCaprio gave him an elaborate coloring book as a gift. A witness tells *UsMagazine.com*, "Blake's father loved it." Lively, 24, and DiCaprio, 36, have been dating since May and "are so smitten it's crazy," according to a pal.

## How do you impress your partner's family?

### Cupid's Advice:

Getting the stamp of approval from your girlfriend or boyfriend's folks is crucial if you want to continue dating. Cupid has some tips on how to get on Mom and Dad's good side:

- 1. Remember birthdays:** Ask your significant other for gift recommendations, then surprise their parents with a present on their birthday or anniversary like Leonardo DiCaprio did for Blake Lively's dad.
- 2. Be polite:** It may seem obvious, but be courteous and



gracious when interacting with the in-laws. Even after you feel like you have a casual, comfortable relationship, make sure you still show respect.

**3. Show you care:** Don't just talk about how much you love their son or daughter; show them how you protect and care for your mate by buying a house together, working hard for a promotion or, when you're ready, asking for permission to propose.

**What's the best way to develop a good relationship with your partner's family? Share your comments below.**

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## **Jim Carrey Professes Adoration for Emma Stone in a Video**





For actor Jim Carrey, age is only a number. The *Mr. Popper's Penguins* star posted a video on his official website declaring his love for Emma Stone, reports [People](#). The 49-year-old told Stone, "Emma, I think you're all the way beautiful. Not just pretty, but smart and kind-hearted. And if I were a lot younger, I would marry you." Carrey went on to say how he wished he was "the appropriate age" for Stone so that they could have "chubby little freckle-faced kids." Carrey ended his video by stating, "I think you're very special and I wish you continued success and artistic fulfillment. But most of all, I wish you love and contentment."

**How do you tell your partner you love him or her?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Saying "I love you" is one of the biggest milestones in a relationship. Here are a few suggestions as to how to go about it:

- 1. Go out:** Take your mate out for a nice dinner or a romantic date on the beach. The classic romanticism of the night will make for a memorable revelation.
- 2. Be casual:** If overly romantic dates aren't your style, then

be casual. Have your partner over for a movie night and profess your love as you fight over the popcorn. The casual atmosphere will be romantic in its simplicity.

**3. Wait:** If you can't gather the courage to tell your significant other how you feel, wait for him or her to tell you. There's no rule that says you have to be the first to speak up. While you may be holding on to your secret for a while, it's best not to feel pressured into telling your partner how you feel before you're ready.

**How did you tell your partner how you felt? Feel free to share a comment below!**

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## **Sean Penn Dating Producer Shannon Costello**





One of Hollywood's most sought after actors, Sean Penn, is officially dating producer Shannon Costello, who has worked on high-profile projects such as Davis Guggenheim's documentary *Waiting for Superman* and ABC's *20/20*. Penn's newest flame is also the former Communications Director of the actor's J/P Haitian Relief Organization. The couple met in the fall of 2009 and took their relationship public in early July of this year. According to [People](#), Costello was mistakenly identified at first by the media for Stacey Koplin. In spite of this short-lived case of mistaken identity, both Penn and Costello were seen looking very much like a couple on the sandy beaches of Malibu, at Nobu and dining out in Miami.

**What's the best way to introduce your partner to your family?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Meeting the family is a huge step in your relationship. Try making the introduction in a casual setting where there's no pressure on you, your partner or your family:

**1. Go out to dinner:** Meeting at a neutral setting where everyone can eat what they like is a great way to make an introduction. Besides making reservations, there's no preparation on your part.

**2. Include them in a family event:** If there's a birthday or holiday party coming up with your family, bring your partner along to meet your nearest and dearest.

**3. Have a dinner party:** If you like to cook and entertain, have friends and family over for dinner. If you aren't one to cook, you can always order in.

**How have you gone about introducing your partner to your family? Share your experiences below.**

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## 'Real Housewives of Orange County' Stars Gretchen Rossi and Slade Smiley Go to Mexico



*The Real Housewives*

of Beverly Hills may be dealing with the death of Taylor Armstrong's estranged husband's suicide, but one Housewife of Orange County was happy and relaxing poolside. Gretchen Rossi and her beau Slade Smiley headed down to Mexico for a little romantic five-day getaway, according to [RadarOnline](#). The duo stayed in the Presidential Suite at the recently opened resort called Villa del Palmar at the Islands of Loreto. They snorkeled, kayaked and paddle boarded the days away. In fact, Rossi had nothing but good things to say about the mini-vacation. "It's heavenly to be off-the-grid in such a romantic, gorgeous place!"

**What are the benefits to your relationship when you go on vacation with your partner?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Sometimes a relationship can go stale when you follow a routine and do the same things over and over again. Going on vacation is a way to spice up your relationship. Here are some specific benefits:

- 1. Relax:** Real life can be stressful, so going away with your partner is a great opportunity to forget your worries and simply enjoy each other's company.
- 2. Connect:** On a day-to-day basis it can be difficult to remember to carve out quality time with your significant other. When you're on vacation, it's a good time to re-connect on a deeper level again.
- 3. Focus:** There are so many distractions when you're juggling your career, the gym, a social life and potentially children. Getting away as a couple allows you to focus on each other ... and only each other.

**What are some other relationship benefits of vacationing with your honey? Share your thoughts below.**



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# 'Big Brother' Star Will Kirby Is Engaged



Another reality star has decided to tie the knot. [People](#) reports that *Big Brother* season 2 winner, Will Kirby proposed on Tuesday to his longtime girlfriend, *For Love or Money* champ Erin Brodie. Kirby popped the question at Brodie's favorite restaurant, a romantic venue by the sea. "I'm so fortunate to be in a relationship with Erin," Kirby said. "I'm thrilled to now open the next chapter of our lives together." **What are some romantic proposal ideas? Cupid's Advice:**

Brainstorming ideas for a truly unique and romantic proposal can be difficult. Here are a few suggestions:

**1. A place with a view:** Try taking your proposal to new heights. Propose during a hot-air balloon ride or on a



mountainous scenic route. The view will be breathtaking and unforgettable.

**2. The place of your first date:** Try taking you partner back to the place where the two of you had your first date. The venue will amuse your partner and will serve as a welcome reminder of how far the two of you have come as a couple.

**3. Candle-lit dinner:** There's a reason why the stereotypical, candle-lit dinner has become cliché. It works. While the classic idea is perfect on its own, try adding your own twist by ordering your favorite foods or dining in your favorite town.

**Have you heard any romantic proposal ideas or have you accepted any romantic proposals? Feel free to share a comment below!**

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## **Kris Humphries' Family "Look Appalled" at His Wedding**





Kim Kardashian and

Kris Humphries finally got hitched this weekend ... and the Humphries family had quite a mixed reaction according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). According to one guest, "Everybody felt awkward, like it was all for the cameras and more like a TV show than a wedding." Humphries' parents must have felt the same, because they "mostly looked appalled by the entire thing," although they "cheered when Kim and Kris were pronounced husband and wife."

**How can you have a lavish wedding without breaking the bank?**

### **Cupid's Take:**

Not all of us can afford a wedding like Kim Kardashian's, but we can pretend! Cupid has some tips on how to make your wedding fit for a reality TV princess (without spending like one).

**1. Dress up your gown:** All brides know that it's all about the dress, and you don't have to empty your bank account to find a gown that makes you look like a million bucks.

**2. Network for deals:** You shouldn't pay full price for anything if you know the right people. Is your aunt a chef? Have her cater the wedding to save money.

**3. Keep it small:** As your guest list increases, so do your costs. Having fewer people means you can spend more on other things to make your wedding memorable.

**Have any other tips on how to lower costs but keep your wedding looking fancy? Share your comments below.**