Chelsea Clinton Leaves Hospital With New Daughter Charlotte





By Amanda Boyer

Chelsea Clinton just welcomed her first child, Charlotte, into the world with her husband Marc Mezvinsky at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City. According to E! Online, Clinton sent a tweet after she arrived home on Monday saying she was grateful for everyone and their help. Since baby Charlotte's birth, Clinton is now determined that her child feels the same way she did — as the center of her parents' lives when growing up.

What are some ways to welcome a new mom home from the

hospital?

Cupid's Advice:

Hospitals are not very hospitable. Cupid has some tips to help your partner feel special when coming back home after the birth of a child:

1. Cook: Before their arrival home, cook her favorite homemade meal for her to have in bed. She'll no doubt be tired and will want some relaxation and sleep after a couple taxing days in the hospital.

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2. Decorate: If she already has kids, nieces or nephews, have them make a hand crafted banner to hang for her to see as she walks in the doors. She'll love the sentiment!

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3. Keep busy: After coming home from the hospital, your partner is going to want to relax, so take the initiative to clean up and take care of the new baby as your partner lays back for a while.

How did you welcome your partner and new baby home? Share below!

Chelsea Clinton Discusses

Plans to Have Children





After two years of marriage, former First Daughter Chelsea Clinton is finally talking babies with Marc Mezvinsky. <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reports that in the September issue of <u>Vogue</u> Clinton shares that starting a family is "certainly something that Marc and I talk a lot about." But the couple is in no rush. "Marc and I are both working really hard right now, but I think in a couple of years, hopefully . . . literally, God willing. And I hope my mom can wait that long." Clinton is coincidentally the same age as her mother, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, was when she gave birth.

How do you know when it's the right time to have kids?

Cupid's Advice:

After marriage the idea of having kids can be exciting, but you have to make sure you are settled in your life before taking on a whole new adventure. Here's how to make sure the timing is right:

- 1. Financially secure: You want your kids to have the best life possible, and if you're having money problems your child will be negatively affected. Having children is all about love but don't forget that you also need to be able to support them.
- 2. You've spent enough alone time in your marriage: After your big wedding day, spend at least a couple of months in the honeymoon phase of your marriage. Get to know each other as a married couple and enjoy your intimate alone time before you add a plus one.
- 3. You know what you're getting into: The thought of having children can conjure up images of love, playfulness and happiness, but you need to be prepared for all of the difficulties behind the positives. You need to read up on what to expect during pregnancy, how to care for newborns and then some. It would even help to get advice from other families. No one knows exactly what to expect when starting a family, but it's good to be knowledgeable about the basics.

How would you know when it's the right time to have kids? Tell us below.

Are Chelsea Clinton and New

Husband Headed for Divorce?





Some celebrities have to spend more time defending their relationship than actually having one. According to <code>UsMagazine.com</code>, this has been the case lately with Chelsea Clinton and husband, Marc Mezvinsky. Many tabloids have wrongfully reported that the couple who tied the knot with a lavish fairy tale wedding in Rhinebeck, NY, last August, are headed for divorce. As a friend of the newlyweds recently stated, "They're one of the best and most in love couples I've ever known." The former first daughter and her husband were also recently seen having dinner in New York where they seemed very much in love.

What are ways to combat break-up rumors?

Cupid's Advice:

The only thing worse than break-up rumors is an actual breakup. When it comes to these ridiculous untruths, either fight them head on or ignore them all together:

- 1. Seeing is believing: When rumors strike, go out in public as couple to show everyone just how happy you really are.
- 2. Give them the cold shoulder: Ignoring the rumors completely is always a solid option. As long as you know the truth, that's all that matters.
- **3. Make a statement:** If this is something you decide to be vocal about, make it short and sweet.

Celebrity Couples Make a Blessing Out of Interfaith Relationships





By Erika Hymowitz Vujnovich

Chelsea Clinton/Marc Mezvinsky, Naomi Watts/Liev Schreiber, Tom Cruise/Katie Holmes and even Brad Pitt/Angelina Jolie are among the numerous celebrity couples attempting to make an interfaith relationship work. While it's nice to believe the old saying "love conquers all," there are often many challenges an interfaith couple faces. Speaking from experience, I entered into an interfaith marriage five years ago. It has taken a tremendous amount of respect and understanding between me and my husband to make our relationship work and to be able to provide a stable foundation for our children.

ABC News says that one in three U.S. couples is in a religiously mixed marriage. However, back in June, the Chicago Family Law Blog highlighted the issue and cited data taken from a 2001 American Religious Identification Survey, which show couples in mixed-religion families were three times more likely to be divorced than those who were of the same faith. The New York Times also wrote on the issue this past summer, following the high-profile marriage of Chelsea Clinton

and Marc Mezvinsky. Clinton, a Methodist and Mezvinsky, who is Jewish, pushed the issue of mixed marriage into the spotlight again.

Whether mixed-religion marriages are becoming the new norm or not, if you are in such a relationship and are questioning whether or not it can work, here are a few things to consider:

- 1. Don't ignore the differences: Religion often contributes to who we are. As such, it's crucial not to disregard religious beliefs. One of the top mistakes that couples make is that they believe their love for one another will conquer all interfaith marital problems. This is not always true. Take the time to discuss your beliefs. You may find that your partner feels the same way, or you may realize you come from completely different backgrounds.
- 2. Look for clergy counseling: If you're looking for that mixed marriage blessing, you'll want to consider speaking with clergy from your place of worship. When my husband and I first considered getting married, we immediately went to meet with my Rabbi. He was very open to the idea of us getting married, with the understanding that we will raise our children in the Jewish faith. A member of the clergy will help outline the challenges you may face as a couple as well as give advice on how to best approach your respective families, who may not be as accepting.
- 3. Think of the children: The last thing you'll want to do is make a child decide which religion they want to follow. Before you even have children, you and your spouse should decide how you want to raise them. Lay the foundation from the beginning, and be honest with each other about your wishes. You don't want to confuse your child, but rather give them a solid sense of faith and culture. There is nothing wrong with celebrating all holidays, but make sure that as your children get older, they have a belief system.

Chelsea Clinton Marries Longtime Boyfriend Marc Mezvinsky





Chelsea Clinton and Marc Mezvinsky have finally tied the knot in a fairytale wedding! Surrounded by 400 close friends and family, the now Mrs. Mezvinsky walked down the aisle in a gorgeous wedding dress by Vera Wang (a family friend). This summer's post talked about wedding took place at Rhinebeck, a small town in upstate New York. The beautiful interfaith ceremony was presided by Rabbi James Ponet and Rev. William Shillady at Astor Courts, reported <u>People</u>. Mother of the

bride, Hillary Clinton, released a statement that said, "We could not have asked for a more perfect day to celebrate the beginning of their life together, and we are so happy to welcome Marc into our family."

How can you prepare for your dream wedding without going overboard?

Cupid's Advice:

Everyone wants a fairytale wedding, but that dream comes with a very expensive price-tag. The ideal wedding usually takes around a year to plan — take your time, and use Cupid's helpful tips to save money and stay classy!

- 1. Budget: Figure out how much money you can afford to spend for your big day. You don't want to start your new life as husband and wife with huge wedding debt.
- 2. Pick and choose: Decide what factors are most important to you for the wedding (e.g. wedding dress, cake, food), and let other details, like custom linens, take backseat.
- **3. DIY:** Small things that may seem like a big deal can actually be done yourself! There are some great websites that explain how to make bridesmaids bouquets, or where to get the bows and ribbons to decorate the church or venue for half the price.

What Role Will Religion Play at Chelsea Clinton's Wedding?





In just a few days, Chelsea Clinton and fiancé Marc Mezvinsky will tie the knot, as Cupid reported last month. Before the big day on July 31, the media is abuzz with speculation. Will the wedding really cost two million dollars? What's on their playlist? But there's one detail that hasn't received quite as much attention: how will religion play a role in the ceremony? Clinton was raised Methodist, while Mezvinsky is Jewish. CBS's Early Show had life coach and dating expert Donna Barnes offer her perspective on interfaith marriages last week.

What are some unique ways to incorporate religion into a wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

With the number of people marrying outside their own religion on the rise, discussing what role religion will play in the ceremony is important. Understanding and respecting your partner's beliefs and practices can also help create a happy home life of mixed faiths. Here are a few circumstances to consider for the big day:

- 1. Interfaith weddings: If you and your partner don't share the same religion, but want to incorporate faith into the ceremony, you could go the interfaith route and have one officiant from each religion present.
- 2. Want a religious ceremony in a non-religious location:
 You've dreamed of saying "I do" on the beach, or maybe even in
 your own backyard, with a religious ceremony. This may be
 difficult, as many faith-based officiants won't perform
 wedding ceremonies outside places of worship. You could,
 however, opt for two separate ceremonies: an intimate
 celebration at a place of worship, as well as another at your
 dream location, led by a non-religious officiant, like a
 Justice of the Peace.
- 3. Non-practicing: If you and your spouse's family have religious roots, but you don't currently practice a particular faith, you may wonder if having a wedding in a place of worship is appropriate. Ask yourself and your partner how comfortable you feel when inside these locations, talk to your families about the role that faith may or may not play at the ceremony, and seek advice from a religious leader.

Ultimately, do what feels right for you and your spouse.

Chelsea Clinton's New Wedding Details





It's been confirmed that former first daughter Chelsea Clinton will marry longtime boyfriend Mark Mezvinsky on July 31. The specifics are sketchy at best, as Clinton is known for keeping her life out of the public eye, but <u>New York Magazine</u> revealed some details last week on possible locations and wedding dress designer rumors. For more, check out the <u>CBS Early Show's</u> Tuesday interview with Doree Shafrir, a contributing editor for NYMag, above.

How can you ensure your wedding is memorable while on a budget?

Cupid's Advice:

Not everyone has the money and resources to plan a small and private wedding. In this economy, however, it's not unusual to choose low-key options. Here are some of Cupid's ways to scale down the reception while leaving a lasting impression:

1. Have a house reception: Ask friends and family that own large property if they could lend you their space as a wedding gift. If they've been hit by the economy, this will be a gift

that gives back!

- 2. Keep it simple: Not everyone needs a towering floral display on every table. Small touches, like votive candles and rose petals, can go a long way. If you're fortunate enough to use a private house, bring decor from the ceremony to serve a double-duty shift.
- **3. Just hit play:** Create a wedding play list on your iPod and ask a friend or family member who loves to ham it up if they'd like to MC your big night. This makes your event even more personal than it already is!