Date Idea: Indulge In a Night of Laughter





By Marissa Donovan

Need new <u>date ideas</u> because boredom is getting the best of you? Why not indulge in a night of laughter? Have a movie night with your sweetheart this weekend by grabbing your alltime favorite comedy. If you want to watch something new, head on over to the nearest theater to watch the latest movie releases. Check Youtube for comedy movie trailers that are being shown in a theatre near you.

Enjoy giggling together as a couple

during your next date night!

Comedy clubs are also fun and will make your night. They feature many comedians who definitely won't let you down. Check out bars or other venues in your area to see when a comedian is preforming. Websites like Ticketmaster and Eventbrite can help you locate the next show.

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Do you enjoy watching Jimmy Kimmel Live or The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon? Do you live in California or New York? If you plan on visiting those states, get tickets for their shows!

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Have a laughing fit with your partner and remember all the jokes to retell to friends.

Do you have any funny dating stories worth sharing? Leave you stories in the comments for our readers.

Date Idea: Keep It Exciting During New Venue Night





By <u>Marissa Donovan</u>

Finding something new to do with your partner can be a challenge, but the key to an exciting night out is often found just around the corner. Comedy clubs, dance clubs, and seasonal fairs are constantly opening up all over the country. This is the opportunity to try something different and be spontaneous together.

Keep it your <u>date night</u> exciting at a new venue!

Learning about other cultures and the arts is a great way to start the evening. Attend a museum opening, traveling exhibit or art show. Educating yourself with your love by your side can be exhilarating. Afterward, try something out of the ordinary for dinner by hitting up a <u>romantic restaurant</u> with cuisine you've never sampled before.

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When an emerging establishment opens, it is not uncommon for

them to hold a wine tasting, or special happy hour for locals. If this fits your idea of getting closer together, sites like Zagat.com and Groupon.com can help you find the best events and deals in your area.

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Whatever it is you chose to do, just make it something new!

What new places do you like to visit with your special someone? Share the new venue with our readers in the comments.

Date Idea: A New Kind of Valentine's Day Date





By Marissa Donovan

Valentine's Day is right around the corner. Cupid can help you plan out an unforgettable day!

This year's holiday can be all about creating an original love story.

It's okay to be single on Valentine's Day! Go out and hit the town with other single friends or family members. Splurge on yourself and get a haircut or a new outfit for the night. Celebrate the day by loving you for you!

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For those in a happy relationship, surprise your partner with a homemade gift! Your partner will appreciate the time and effort you took to make the gift. A framed photo or something that references one of your inside jokes as a couple will be more meaningful than flowers.

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It's all about creating lasting memories that you can smile about later. Whether you're single or in a relationship, make sure you're having a fabulous Valentine's Day!

Do you have any creative date ideas for Valentine's Day? Comment below, and share with our readers.

Date Idea: Get Out Of Your Comfort Zone





By Marissa Donovan

Occasionally relationships can become too mundane. Couples who are bored can get creative by trying something new!

Make an effort to step out of your comfort zone so you can keep the spark in your relationship.

Even new couples can run out of date ideas. Try participating in an activity that one of you is passionate about. For instance, take up a sport that your partner enjoys participating in.

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If you and your significant other have been together for a while, try something new for a day. If you've never tried skydiving, do it together! If you've never been to a drive-in theater, go visit one.

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Trying new things can often spice up a "too comfortable" relationship. Chat with your partner about trying something new!

Do you have any romantic date ideas? Comment below, and share with our readers!

Date Idea: Make the Perfect Playlist





By Marissa Donovan

Need a great <u>date idea</u> for this weekend? As the holidays are now upon us, many couples and lovers part ways to spend the season with their respective families. And there's one way you can make sure your special someone will have you on their mind while you're apart: make them a special playlist!

Spend time together by sharing music you both love! Here are some key elements to a the perfect love mix:

Here are some key elements to a the perfect love mix:

1. Beatles song: It doesn't matter which one, but no one does frothy love pop like these guys did.

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2. One that makes them laugh: Maybe it's ironic, or you have an inside joke about it – or maybe it was the song that played on your awkward first date. Just make him smile.

3. Country song: These are some of the best and most honest love songs.

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4. Classic: The obvious choice is Frank Sinatra, but any song from before 1960 will work.

5. A sappy one: Think Lionel Richie, Barry White or even Mariah Carey.

6. Your song: If you're making him a mix, you should already have a song. Make it the last one they hear. Websites make it easy to make playlists by giving you the music you love and the option to add a title. It's like a

modern mixtape that you can access on your phone anywhere you go!

Have a favorite song or artist you would like to recommend? Leave your suggestions in the comments below so other readers can check them out!

Famous Restaurants: Hottest Happy Hours in NYC



By Noelle Downey

Whether you're prepping for a Tinder date and you're not sure where to go or you're in desperate need of a night out with friends for a few drinks, happy hour is a great way to have a ton of fun and keep your bill at the end of the night under budget. However, especially if you're in a busy city like NYC, the amount of restaurants that offer happy hours can feel overwhelming. So, to make your next night out on the town in the Big Apple feel a little less hectic, here are five of the hottest happy hours in NYC that will win you over with their low-priced drinks and great food in a New York minute.

There's nothing happier than happy hour, so get ready to put all of these top five famous restaurants at the top of your list for your next night out on the town!

1. Dutch Kills: This Long Island City restaurant is a great place to head when you're looking for a cocktail and a great happy hour deal. From 4-7 PM on Sunday through Thursday you can choose from a list of hand-selected cocktails to sip for just eight dollars apiece. This is the perfect place to head for a night out with the girls because it's busy and bustling; get there early or you'll find the bar packed and the seating arrangements strictly standing room only!

2. Mess Hall: If you're looking for an NYC location with a little more of a rustic vibe, look no further than the Mess Hall, a pub in Harlem that focuses on the natural side of things, with taxidermied animals styled next to romantic string lights for a mix of woodsy and sexy. Every day from 4-8 PM the Mess Hall happy hour features wine, beer and shots for just six dollars and certain drafts for just five dollars. Sip a sensational drink for a reasonable price and enjoy the décor and a fun night out at this Harlem location.

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3. Shorty's: Want to head out for some fun drinks and laughs, but also craving a large, delicious meal? Never fear, Shorty's Upper East Side location has just what you're looking for with not one but *two* daily happy hours Monday through Friday from 4-6 PM and 10 PM to closing. Chug a beer for only five dollars or sip a well drink for six while also enjoying one of Shorty's specialty cheesesteaks for a hearty and satisfying dinner that will leave you ready to take the city night life by storm.

4. Fresh Salt: If you're strolling across Brooklyn Bridge on a hot <u>date night</u> and feel the need for a little nightcap, look no further than Fresh Salt, a short walk away. Although the sign may look a bit weathered, this famous restaurant offers classic ambience and great deals, with a happy hour from 4-8 PM daily that offers six dollar glasses of delicious wine and five dollar draft beers and well drinks. Keep things fresh at Fresh Salt whether you're visiting with a potential new love interest, a friend from work, or all your BFF's.

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5. Bubby's: If you're craving more variety when it comes to happy hour drinks and are also feeling the need for some great burgers or jerk chicken, try Bubby's, a great hotspot with colorful chairs outside and a fun and funky feel on the inside. Happy hour comes every Monday through Friday from 4-7 PM and features a variety of lower-priced drinks, including alcoholic punch, 50/50 martinis and sparkling wines, all for just seven dollars apiece. Sip a drink and enjoy the relaxed and fun environment at this famous NY restaurant bustling with all the energy of the big city.

Will you be visiting any of these establishments the next time you want to enjoy a drink during happy hour? What are some of your favorite drinks when you're out with your friends? Let us know in the comments!

Celebrity Wedding: Nelly Explains Why He's Only Getting Married One Time





By Marissa Donovan

Nelly recently shared his thoughts on marriage and commitment with <u>People.com</u>. "For me, it's more important to die married than to have been married and it didn't work out," he said.

The rapper takes marriage very seriously and wants an everlasting romance. Nelly is currently dating Shantel Jackson, but they will not be saying "I do" anytime soon. Time will tell if we hear <u>celebrity wedding</u> bells for this <u>celebrity couple</u>!

There's no celebrity wedding planned for Nelly, but if there ever is, it'll be a one and done. What are some ways to know you're in a lasting relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Have you been dating someone for a long time and find yourself wondering if it will last forever? Check out our <u>dating advice</u> to see if you're in a lasting relationship:

1. You both bring the best out of each other: Family and friends will be the first to notice a certain boost in your mood when the other person is near. You will even notice that your personal weaknesses will improve when they're around. If you can bring the best out of the person you're dating, there's a good chance it will last forever!

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2. You both enjoy each other's company: Are there rarely dull moments during a <u>date night</u>? Can small tasks such as doing laundry be less of a chore when you tackle it as a team? Are you comfortable sitting in silence together? If you can answer yes to all of the following questions, you should probably consider taking your relationship to the next step! **Related Link:** <u>Celebrity Couple: 10 Reasons Chrissy Teigen and</u> John Legend are Relationship Goals

3. You have faith in your future together: Cold feet can be common for those who are hesitant to fully give their commitment to the relationship their in. If you have already overcome obstacles as a couple and promise to help each other in the future then you probably found your lasting relationship!

Do you know of any lasting relationships worth sharing? Leave your lasting couple story in the comments for us to see!

Author Interview: Christina Hobbs & Lauren Billings Dish on Relationship Advice & Their Newest Book 'Dating You / Hating You'





By Noelle Downey

Best friends and *New York Times* bestselling authors Christina Hobbs and Lauren Billings (who collaborate under the shared pen name Christina Lauren) have quite literally written the book on romance! Their newest novel *Dating You / Hating You (DYHY)* follows the story of two star-crossed lovers, Evie and Carter, who find themselves locked in a heated battle of the sexes after their Hollywood agencies combine and force them to compete for the same job. With the glamorous backdrop of Hollywood life and celebrity style, these squabbling love birds must finesse the tricky situation of chasing their dreams without chasing each other away. Recently, Hobbs and Billings spoke with CupidsPulse.com on their excitement over this new project, which hits shelves today, June 6th, their best <u>relationship advice</u>, and how they found success as BFFs. Check out our exclusive <u>author interview</u> below!

Exclusive Author Interview with

Christina Hobbs and Lauren Billings

In DYHY, Hollywood culture plays a huge role since your main characters are both agents. How did you research the celebrity lifestyle? Did you get the chance to meet any celebrities while you were writing this book?

We have had interactions with various Hollywood folks, including celebrities and industry people, but our focus on the research was on the agent side. We had a lot of fun talking to agents and managers about things they had seen and experienced. Interestingly (at least to us!), a lot of the shenanigans that Carter and Evie stoop to in the book are based on true stories.

Speaking of Carter and Evie, they vie for the same job in *DYHY*, which obviously disrupts their flirtation. What are your tips to our readers who may also be struggling to handle the demands of work life and romance? How would you advise them to find a healthy balance between the two?

Beyond the premise of this book, it can be really hard to find that balance-whether you're single, in a relationship, or have kids. When we were first writing, we were working full-time jobs and raising small kids and trying to fit the writing into every crack of time we had. What we found is that nothing in our life was getting 100 percent of our attention. We ended up leaving our jobs to write full-time, and it allowed us to have much more energy for the relationships at home.

It's okay to set priorities and—this is especially important for young women to hear—it really is okay to make your career your priority if you're doing something you love. That said, it's also okay to feel like the rat race isn't for you. Bottom line is, only you know how things rank in your emotional heart. No one else can tell you how you should be balancing your career with your love life, not even a couple of romance authors.

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In your opinion, do you think that men and women are often pitted against one another in the workplace? How did your own professional experiences in the past influence your writing of this book?

It may not be the case that men and women are necessarily "pitted" against each other, but sexual politics are alive and well in the workplace. We've seen this ourselves in various ways, from the women being more visible in assistant roles to egregious pay disparity to casual sexism in the form of "sweetie," "hon," and "kiddo" spoken from men to women, even sometimes to women who are their superiors in the reporting structure.

Luckily, we've both worked with very progressive people-both men and women-who made a point to address any overt workplace disparity. But, for better or for worse, given that it's hard to miss it even in this day and age, it made that aspect of writing this book very easy because we didn't have to dig very deep to find the thread of that subplot.

Do you have any tips for our readers on how to foster the kind of amazing and collaborative relationship that the two of you have found in your friendship, especially if demands like school, work, or kids tend to keep them apart?

There are a million reasons why this collaboration is so enduring—and still so happy—but at the end of the day, the most important component is our chemistry. Lo is the neurotic, spreadsheet-loving, deadline-driven one. Christina brings the levity. As our editor has said on multiple occasions, "The world needs Laurens, but it also needs Christinas." It's true. If we were all Laurens, we'd be wrestling for control until it turned into a bloodbath. If we were all Christinas, we'd drown in a pool of boy bands and glitter. Having both makes this possible.

The other thing is, when we began writing together back in 2009, we said at the very outset that *the books will not become more important than the friendship*. That has been a very, very important motto and one we have treated reverently. To maintain a deep friendship, it has to be put front and center.

Christina Lauren Shares Best Relationship Advice and Favorite Date Nights

Shifting gears, since you're both clearly romance experts, I have to ask: How would you advise our readers to keep things sexy and fun with a partner, even after years have gone by and kids and other commitments come into the picture?

Communication, communication, communication. The more open we are, the better our marriages are in all respects—in and out of the bedroom. We find that when things are more distant in our marriages, it's because we aren't speaking to our spouses as lovers and partners; we are only interacting as parents.

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Do either of you have a favorite date night? Do you ever double date?

We can't routinely double date because we live in separate states (!!), but when we are together, we have a lot of fun, just the four of us. Our husbands get along really well, and when we travel, they often take off and do their own thing together—sometimes stumbling back tipsy and hilarious. Favorite <u>date nights</u> are usually spent discovering new restaurants in the area, catching a movie we couldn't see with the kids, or-probably most common-going to a concert together!

As two people who have written so much great romance, I'm sure you get asked all the time what your best relationship advice is. I'm curious, though: What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given?

If you're in a relationship, the best love advice we've ever received was what someone said at Lo's wedding, "Always assume good intentions." That means, if you're in a loving, stable relationship, the basic assumption should be that your partner has your best interests in mind. If you see the relationship through that lens, you are less likely to see strife or hurt where there is none.

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Lastly, do you have any other upcoming projects or anything else you'd like to share with our readers?

Other than DYHY, we have two more books out this year. Autoboyograhy is out September 12th; it's the story of Tanner Scott, a bisexual teen who moves from the Bay Area in California to Provo, Utah and falls in love with the son of the local Mormon bishop. We *love* how this book came out; it's been something we've been working on for many years, and we are so proud of the finished product!

Then, in December (formerly October), we have *Roomies*, which is a little bit Greencard-meets-Once. It's the story of Holland Bakker, a twenty-something woman in NYC who is watching her MFA gather dust in the corner while she works front-of-the-house for the hottest musical on Broadway. Holland has an infatuation with an Irish guitar-playing busker at the subway near her house and offers to marry him to help him stay in the country…and land him a position in the ensemble for the show. It's a strangers-to-married story that has been the most fun to write!

2018 holds LOTS MORE for us, but we haven't announced those projects yet, so for now we'll just have to say: we.cannot.wait.for.2018.

You can purchase Dating You / Hating You on <u>Amazon</u>. For more from Christina and Lauren, visit their <u>website</u> or follow them on Twitter <u>@ChristinaLauren</u>.

New Celebrity Couple? Katharine McPhee & David Foster Spark Romance Rumors





By Noelle Downey

Craving some new romantic gossip when it comes to <u>Hollywood</u> <u>relationships</u>? Hold onto your hats, because there may just be a new <u>celebrity couple</u> in the works as we speak. According to <u>EOnline.com</u>, Katharine McPhee and David Foster were spotted on a potential <u>date night</u> getting cozy at a private table for two. A source claims, "David and Katharine were very intimate during their dinner," the source spilled. "David was seen grabbing Katharine's face and kissing her cheek several times. Katharine was doing the same to David's face and they were acting as if they were a couple." The couple shared a delicious feast of sushi and two bottles of red wine. Not only that, the source also shared by the end of the dinner, "Katharine sat on David's side of the table and cuddled him with a blanket."

There may be a new celebrity couple in town! What are some creative

ways to make your crush notice you?

Cupid's Advice:

If you're trying to get that new cutie you've got your eye on to notice you exist, Cupid is here to help:

1. Find common ground: If you're looking to make a connection with a crush, but you're virtually strangers, find some common ground with them that you're sure you share. This doesn't have to be something super complicated or personal, in fact it's way better if it isn't. Focus on surface-level commonalities at first, even if there one's that seem obvious, like the fact that you work at the same place or go to the same school. Think about what you have in common – classes, bosses, friends, hobbies – and go from there. The next time you see them at a party or on break at work, walk up and introduce yourself and find a fun conversational tidbit to break the ice that relies on your joint experiences. Remember, if you go blank and are stuck in a pinch, virtually every one loves to talk about themselves!

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2. Create an inside joke: Once you have common ground with the person you're crushing on and are friendly with them, find an inside joke that you two can share. This can be based on something funny that happens in the office or a professor you both love to hate at school. This will bond you two together further and also be a great lead-in for more flirty teasing. Don't be afraid to move from friendly and funny to actually flirty pretty soon though; after all you want to make sure your crush understands you want to be their partner, not just their buddy!

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3. Give them a compliment: If you've developed a fun, flirty teasing relationship, don't get so wrapped up in giving your crush a hard time that you forget that you're trying to sweep them off their feet. Throw in a compliment every so often to remind them that you genuinely like and admire them. Remember to keep it light but also personal, something that not every one would notice or that you think they'd really appreciate hearing. And when they blushingly accept the compliment? Give the a smile and a long, soft look to take things from merely flirty to truly romantic.

Have you ever tried to seduce a crush? What tactics did you use to woo them? Let us know in the comments!

Celebrity Couple News: Prince Harry & Meghan Markle Are 'Doing So Well'





By Noelle Downey

In <u>celebrity couple</u> news, it looks like things are heating up this summer for a certain redheaded hottie and his beaux. As they approach their one-year-anniversary of couplehood, <u>EOnline.com</u> reports that Prince Harry and girlfriend Meghan Markle are still going strong in their <u>Hollywood relationship</u>. So is it possible that their might be a <u>celebrity wedding</u> in the works? A source claims that while the prince and Markle may not be celebrating a <u>celebrity engagement</u> just yet, they're certainly only getting stronger as a couple, and are handling the media buzz around their relationship with grace. "They're doing so well," a source with insight into the <u>celebrity relationship</u> spills, "Obviously things aren't as intense as when the news about their relationship first came out, and that's really made it easier for them to navigate the craziness when it comes to public attention."

This royal celebrity couple is

doing well, according to sources. What are some ways to keep your budding relationship growing?

Cupid's Advice:

In a new relationship? Here are the top three ways to keep things with your partner sparkling and fun, especially in the early days of getting to know each other:

1. Double date with other newer couples: For a fun date night that will have everyone enjoying themselves, try a double date with a good friend of yours who is also getting in the swing of things with a new relationship. Break the ice with a fun activity that will have every one up on their feet, like dancing in a club or bowling. Enjoy watching your significant other interact with your friend and their partner for insight into how your friend group will work with the addition of your new cutie. This is also a great way to help your partner get over any nerves they may have about meeting your closest friends!

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2. Take a romantic getaway together: If you're looking for a relaxing and romantic retreat with your new lover, why not steal away fro a weekend <u>romantic getaway</u>? Hop in the car and drive to the nearest beach or idyllic cabin in the woods for a chance to get to know your new partner in a different way; in a relaxed environment with nothing to do but enjoy fun activities and each other's company, you're bound to find even more things about your partner to love, and the weekend-long treat will be sure to loosen you both up without risking making the vacay too lengthy.

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3. Find a shared passion: Whether that be a brand new TV show you both love to bingewatch or a shared love of comic books, swing dancing, or French cuisine, find something you're both crazy about and can enjoy together. Sharing that hobby or interest will bring you closer to your new significant other and will also give you lots and lots to talk about on those early, sometimes awkward dates. Don't have a whole lot in common when it comes to your interests? Try taking up a hobby together for a fun way to learn something new and share an amazing experience with your S.O. at the same time.

What do you do to keep a new relationship going strong? Let us know in the comments!

Celebrity News: A Brand New Episode of 'Lucky Dog' with Host Brandon McMillan Will Warm Your Heart





By Noelle Downey

Animal lovers, it's time to rejoice! In the latest <u>celebrity</u> <u>news</u>, there's a brand new and particularly sweet episode of the hit CBS show *Lucky Dog* coming out this Saturday, May 13th. It will have your heart swelling with love for an adorable dog named Frankie, not to mention for <u>Brandon McMillan</u>, the handsome host and passionate dog trainer.

Watch *Lucky Dog* on Your Next Date Night

The show follows McMillan as he rescues dogs from shelters and pounds who have hours left before they're put down and then trains them at his famed Lucky Dog Ranch to prepare them for life with a fantastic family. It's the perfect heart-warming fare to cuddle up and watch with your dog-loving significant other for a <u>date night</u>! This weekend's episode, sponsored by The Outdoor Power Equipment Institute's (OPEI) TurfMutt environmental education and stewardship program, will feature a rescue dog named Frankie, a Beagle mix that's training-shy and anxious around humans after a series of negative experiences in his past. "He's basically written off all humans because of what they've done to him," the host confesses in a teaser clip from the episode.

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McMillan goes above and beyond to help this damaged doggy find his way back to a trusting, loving connection with humans, while OPEI's Kris Kiser visits a potential dream home for Frankie. Unfortunately, he discovers that their yard is anything but dog-friendly, filled with packed-down dirt instead of lush turfgrass, which, Kiser advises to dog owners, is the best option for keeping a cool temperature and a dogfriendly softness in your yard. The team at Lucky Dog sets to work to make the potential owner's yard more appealing with a massive landscaping makeover. "We thought it was a good conversion opportunity," Kiser explains, "where we could give the owner a living landscape and a much better spot for her family and her adopted dog." With the help of an adorable fluffy pal named Olive, Frankie starts the long process of learning the commands and obedience training he'll need to thrive in his new home.

So why does McMillan feel so passionate about training dogs who might not otherwise get a shot at a second home? In a 2013 <u>celebrity interview</u> with CupidsPulse.com, the television host explained, "I read the facts, and they blow my mind. Every year in America, over 1.5 million dogs are euthanized because they can't find homes. I wanted to find out why this was happening."

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Still, this passionate drive to save furry friends has taken its toll on his free time, in particular his love life. In the same 2013 interview, McMillan shared his insane schedule, saying, "I'm so consumed by the show that I go to bed at around 9 p.m. because I have to get up at 4 a.m. We start every morning around 6 a.m. because I want to make sure we work the dogs before the heat kicks in every afternoon."

Still, that didn't prevent him for sharing some great <u>dating</u> <u>advice</u> in our 2014 celebrity interview with him. It's clear his busy schedule has caused him to think carefully about what he'll do when he does have more free time to spend with a special someone. "No sitting on the couch watching trash television," McMillan advised any couples out there. "Really plan your moments for and with each other. Saying 'I'm too tired' leads to trouble."

Don't miss this special episode of Lucky Dog, airing on Saturday, May 13th! Check your local listings for channel and time.

Celebrity News: 'Bachelor' Stars Nick Viall & Vanessa Grimaldi Attend 2017 MTV Movie Awards





By Noelle Downey

Celebrity couple Nick Viall and Vanessa Grimaldi made celebrity news on the red carpet when they stepped out for an extra special date night at the 2017 MTV Movie Awards. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, 'Bachelor' alum Viall, who was recently voted off off reality show 'Dancing with the Stars', says he's currently concentrating on his new line of men's grooming products. "There are some tricks that I have done over the years to maintain a youthful appearance," Viall confessed, "It made sense to take the stuff I've been using and put it into a single box I can share with everyone." He also noted that while he and his lady love Grimaldi haven't set a celebrity wedding date yet, they're taking things slow and enjoying one another's company. "The Bachelor Nation has a bit of a backlog with engaged couples," Viall admitted, "so there's plenty [of] couples in line before us that have to tie the knot before we do."

This celebrity news has us happy

this new couple is still alive and well! What are some ways to keep the spark alive in your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

When it comes to keeping a relationship fresh and fun, Cupid is here to help! Here are the top three ways to keep you and your significant other crazy about each other even as time goes on:

1. Commit to a biweekly date night: When you've been together for awhile and perhaps even share a house, a car and kids, keeping the spark alive with sexy date nights and <u>romantic</u> getaways can seem like a thing of the past. Bring back the passion by committing to having a real night out together at least every two weeks. Get dressed up and go to a romantic, candelit dinner or keep it casual and cuddle up in the back of a movie theater to watch a fun flick you both really want to see. Whatever you do, make sure you're both on board and looking forward to whatever activity it is you have planned, and just enjoy being together without the distractions of your other commitments.

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2. Pick up a new hobby together: Running out of things to talk about with the routine of life always seeming to stay the same? Why not try a new activity together that you can share, explore and chat about with one another? Sign up for a couple's cooking class, host a weekly board game night with friends or shake things up with a sexy salsa class; whatever it takes to add some fun flair to your life and give you something brand new and exciting to discuss and share together.

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3. Do something sweet and unexpected: Feeling as though lately you and your partner are stuck in a comfortable rut? Why not add some sexy fun to your life by figuring out some ways to surprise your significant other with a series of sweet and unexpected surprises. Buy them flowers out of the blue, leave post-it notes full of compliments and inside jokes around the house fro them to find, tell them they look great without being prompted and surprise them with tickets to a favorite game or show. The best way to keep the spark alive in your relationship is to prioritize one another and to remember to be grateful for the amazing relationship you have with this wonderful person!

Have you ever done something to keep a relationship fresh and full of fun? What was it? Let us know in the comments!

Date Idea: Fall in Love in New York





By Delaney Gilbride

With New York Fashion Week drawing to a close, the throngs of people that flocked to the daily theatre of the Big Apple are now returning to their everyday lives across the globe. But no one can ever quite forget a New York experience, especially when it involves love.

So this weekend, make your <u>date</u> <u>night</u> NYC-themed, and embrace all the amor even an American icon has to offer.

Central Park is a hot spot for new lovers to snuggle, picnic, play sports, and take their love public. If you don't live in New York, there may not be a big park in your neighborhood. So hitting a local or national park with "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" will bring you right back to your big city days.

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Another easy way to play the role of "New Yorker" is to eat like one! There are many classic NYC eats to try from their famous hot dogs to decadent NY cheesecake. Look up a restaurant in your area that specializes in one of these, and head there after a play! Not every town has Broadway, but a lot of plays are tested out in other metropolitan areas before they hit the Big Apple.

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In the Phoenix area? You can truly visit New York City without leaving your neighborhood by hitting up the local "Big Apple Restaurant" for a treat.

Have a favorite NYC tradition? Comment below and share with our other readers.

Celebrity Interview: 'RHOD' Star Stephanie Hollman Talks Fame, Family Life, and Spring Style





By Delaney Gilbride

After our recent <u>celebrity interview</u> with "wonder woman" Stephanie Hollman, we can certainly say this charitable philanthropist does it all. While *The Real Housewives of Dallas* (*RHOD*) has only recently finished filming its second season, the peacemaker of the show continues to juggle her work, home, and social life flawlessly. It begs the question: How is Hollman able to balance her busy life after her steady rise to fame? Thankfully, the reality TV star gives us all of the answers we crave and more.

Stephanie Hollman Talks *The Real Housewives of Dallas* in Our Exclusive Celebrity Interview

While fame is notorious for going to people's heads, that's nowhere near the case for Hollman. As for how the philanthropist felt after the release of season one of *RHOD*, she says that "you learn who your real friends are" after you've made your claim to fame. "There's something really freeing about not being perfect and having everyone see that," Hollman continues.

Of the drama that arises during the filming of Bravo's hit show, Hollman explains that her mom's words are always in the back of her mind: "If you don't know what to do, do nothing." She urges people to think before they act in both friendships and romantic relationships – and this *especially* goes for women! When you act before you think, you have to deal with the consequences one way or another.

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As for upcoming episodes of the show, the reality TV star explains that she's "excited and nervous" for the season to air. "They really dug in deep, and everyone's vulnerable," she shares. Reality TV fanatics can't help but obsess over the bickering and drama that comes along with shows such as *RHOD*, and it seems like this season won't disappoint. Along with your typical petty drama that lives on reality television, Hollman explains that "real life issues" will also be taking place. As for a sneak peak, the star exclaims that the cast trip was "unforgettable." Guess we'll have to wait to see what's in store!

Reality TV Star Gives Family and Relationship Advice

Hollman and her family are known to be the ultimate charitable family in Dallas, and she and her husband take strides every day to shape their two sons into humble and caring young men. While they work tirelessly to make the world a better place for those who need it, they're also teaching their children to "give back in ways that they can understand." For instance, during the winter, they do all that they can to help those who are struggling. Hollman and her children go out and buy children's jackets in every size to donate to kids who don't have a coat. They even give their own shoes to those who can't afford them. She teaches her children to "be kind" to others in the hopes that others will do the same.

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As for her celebrity relationship with her husband, Hollman says marriage is definitely hard work! "I work really hard on my marriage," she claims. "We fight, but we talk about it, and we have a very open dialogue." She and her husband go to therapy weekly in order to maintain such a strong relationship, whether they're having a rough time or not. As for her best <u>relationship advice</u>, Hollman encourages you to remember that, "no matter what happens, your spouse will always love you."

Hollman Talks Keys to the Perfect Spring Style

Look no further for spring <u>beauty tips</u>! This mother of two has got you covered. When it comes to the warmer days ahead, the reality star says her number one tip is that you *have* to be "really cozy in the spring." The weather can range from easy breezy to intensely hot in a matter of hours, so to prepare for the changing temperatures, Hollman tells us that flowy clothes are the way to go. Her absolute favorite pieces for the spring time include maxi dresses, a flowy shirt, and a good pair of shorts. The fashionista also urges our readers to play with color and just have fun with their wardrobes.

Related Link: <u>Vacation Destinations</u>: <u>Spring Travel Tips for</u> <u>Home and Abroad</u> When it comes to the one beauty product she just can't leave the house without, we were a bit surprised. Hollman reveals that she doesn't wear makeup unless she's going out on a <u>date</u> night with her husband and instead wears her favorite sunscreen, EltaMD, almost every day. "You will never look into anything else!" Hollman promises in our celebrity interview. "It's almost like foundation. It makes my skin look beautiful and feel amazing." The reasonably-priced sunscreen blocks out harmful UV rays, doesn't clog your pores, and gives your skin a beautiful finish. We know what will be on our shopping list this summer!

Catch Stephanie Hollman on the upcoming season of The Real Housewives of Dallas on Bravo. Check out her regularly updated <u>blog</u> today!

Famous Restaurants: Crazy Milkshakes in NYC





By Delaney Gilbride

Nothing has been taking the internet by storm quite like New York's latest trend of crazy, over the top milkshakes! It's nearly impossible to scroll through Instagram without laying eyes upon mountainous milkshakes literally *overflowing* with sweets ranging from heaps of savory chocolate cake to decadent donuts. This delicious <u>food trend</u> in NYC has people flocking to the Big Apple in order to satisfy their sweet tooth cravings.

Looking for some <u>relationship</u> <u>advice</u> from Cupid? Take a trip to NYC and visit one (or all) of the three most <u>famous restaurants</u> serving up ultimately outrageous milkshakes:

1. Black Tap (529 Broome St, New York, NY 10013): This

restaurant is the cream of the crop when it comes to the perfect milkshake, so end your <u>date night</u> the right way by stopping at Black Tap on Broome Street! Thankfully, you don't have to worry about cutting your night short in order to indulge in their artfully designed milkshakes. Black Tap is open until 12:00 AM during weekdays and are also open until 1:00 AM Thursday through Saturday. These \$15, foot-tall milkshakes launched this past November and have spread like wildfire over social media. One of their fan favorite milkshakes include the Sweet N' Salty Peanut Butter Shake: chocolate frosted rim with chocolate gems and PB cups topped with a sugar daddy, pretzel rods, chocolate covered pretzel, whipped cream and chocolate drizzle - what else could you ever want in a milkshake? So, if you and your boo are ever in the New York area, make sure to check out this Insta-famous eatery!

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2. Sugar Factory (835 Washington St, New York, NY 10014): In case you miss Black Tap's 1:00 AM weekend cut off point, don't fret! The Sugar Factory, located on Washington Street, is open weeknights until 1:00 AM and 2:00 AM on weekends. The Sugar Factory prides themselves on their delicious sweets in and on their shakes. Celebrities such as <u>Kylie Jenner</u>, who appeared at the chains Ocean Drive opening, can't seem to get enough! Although the Sugar Factory has dessert options such as their \$99 King King, which includes 24 scoops of ice cream, and their \$1,000 chocolate fondue served with a bottle of Dom Perignon, you don't have to spend a fortune to get a great shake. Their most popular \$20 shake called the Caramel Sugar Daddy Cheesecake milkshake serves your typical vanilla milkshake in a mug coated with chocolate icing drizzled with caramel sauce and whipped cream. You thought that was the last of it? The shake also comes with a huge slice of cheesecake paired with their famous rainbow lollipop right on top. Get

your fix by visiting the Sugar Factory!

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3. Buns Bar (263 W 19th St, New York, NY 10011): This restaurant known specifically for their decorated milkshakes is the perfect date idea for you and your love if you're looking to be a bit nostalgic during your date night. Buns Bar located on West 19th Street decorates their milkshakes with everyones favorite childhood characters such as SpongeBob, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, and Spiderman. Anything you can think of, they make it! After coating their glasses with thick layers of icing, the artists at Buns Bar carefully place sprinkles, marshmallows, and cereal on the outside of the glass to create your favorite characters. Looking for something a bit more "adult"? No worries - Buns Bar lives up to their name. You can order some of their famous milkshakes with a splash (or more) or your favorite liquor! People are obsessed with their famous Cinnabon Milkshake. Typically priced at \$15 dollars a shake, for an extra \$5 you can add shots of RumChata liqueur to enhance the savory Cinnabon shake. Keep your night going by checking out Buns Bar!

Are you from the New York area and know other places to find over the top milkshakes? Share some of your favorites with us by commenting below!

Date Idea: Take Love Lessons from School





By Noelle Downey

School's almost in session, folks – it's time to brush up on your romantic education, too! You can have some <u>date</u> <u>nights</u> that your favorite teacher from grade school would be proud of, and that you'll have a blast on as well. Cupid's got you covered from A to Z!

Take a tip from your school lessons with these fun weekend date ideas that will make studying a distant memory and love the first item on the assignment sheet!

1. Go Apple Picking: Looking for an apple so you can butter up

your teacher? Do some apple picking! It's a fun and inexpensive way to get outdoors and walk home with a sweet treat... and maybe even snag a kiss amongst the apple branches.

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2. Cheer at a High School Football Game: If sports are more your thing, head to a local high school football game. Get some buddies together and tailgate like it's the pros, and then head to the field to cheer on your true home team. After all, some high school games are an even bigger deal than the NFL, especially in small towns!

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3. Read Something New Together: The best way to brush up on your school skills is to simply pick up a book. Join a co-ed book group, or make a date to read together in the park. Pack a picnic lunch and read on the grass.

Have a school days date idea of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Hit the books!

Date Idea: Get Fit Together





By Noelle Downey

August is one of the hottest months in the US. Don't let the heat keep you in a sluggish mood: get up and go out! One of the best ways to stay fit is with your partner sweating next to you. In addition to being important to your health, staying in shape is a great way to bond with your loved one.

Ready to get fit and flirty this summer? Check out three great weekend date ideas when it comes to getting toned and tanned with your significant other this season!

1. Turn gym day into a date night: One easy way to work out together is to join a gym. Some places may offer discounted rates if you sign up together. Pick cardio machines next to each other. When you move on to strength training, take turns doing reps. Having someone there to spot you and watch your form can help you exercise more safely than doing it alone.

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2. Take a fitness class together: Another way to get active is to take a class, either at the gym, or at a local hot spot. While activities like salsa classes are perfect for couples, try something you'll both be interested in, like martial arts, indoor-rock climbing, adult swimming, or other sports.

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3. Stroll your way to success: Want a free way to stay fit? Welcome the morning with a walk around the neighborhood, or go for jog. Bring your dog for extra fun! After all, exercising together is a great way to spend quality time. Catch up with your partner, especially if the two of you spend a lot of time apart during the week because of work, school, and other responsibilities. Who's a better supporter than your partner or spouse?

To get the ball rolling, visit LifeMojo for inspiration, motivational tips, and learn about the benefits of working out together.

Have a fitness routine of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Stay cool, and enjoy your weekend!

Date Idea: Get Your Game On!





By Noelle Downey

Summer days are meant to be spent outside, but cooler <u>date</u> <u>nights</u> can be spent inside, or out on the patio. The games don't have to stop once the sun goes down. Get your friends together and enjoy a game night – after all, there's nothing like Twister to get to know someone new.

Ready for a competitive date night with your favorite friends and cute crush this summer? Below are the three steps you'll need to take your game night party from lame to fame!

1. Set the Mood: The key to a successful game night is to set the mood. It should be light and fun, so keep the party area colorful and well-lit. An easy indoor fix is to throw some confetti on the tables and add balloons. For outdoors, Christmas lights and tiki torches add to the atmosphere. Check out stores like Party City for deals.

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2. Serve Fantastic Food: For grub, think fun finger foods and fruity drinks. Walking tacos are easy to make for a group, and allow people to interact while they cook and eat. Plus, no one can resist a good taco! Ask single friends bring a platonic date; everyone can gather in the kitchen to heat things up before the games begin.

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3. Pick Great Games: Pick games that require human contact to catch the eye – or elbow – of that special someone. Twister is an old favorite, but even games like musical chairs and Sardines allow everyone to snuggle up while still getting competitive. It's the ultimate get-to-know-you weekend date idea, all created by you.

Have a game night activity of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Let the games begin!

Date Idea: Include the Pooch in Your Plans





By Noelle Downey

With August approaching, and the weather still heating up, we're all finding ourselves in the magical dog days of summer. Why not spend *your* dog days (and <u>date nights</u>!) with man's – and woman's – best friend? Cute puppies are the ultimate chick magnet for guys, and the perfect cuddle-buddy for girls. Find a friend with a pup, or head out with your own four-legged friend for a good time this summer.

Enjoy some fun in the sun with your favorite furry friend this summer and you'll have a great jumping off point for making conversation with other dog lovers and potential summer flings! Here are some great

places to go for some pet-friendly fun this season!

1. Dog park: Embrace the outdoors and get some exercise by taking the pooch out to a dog park. Go on a walk with friends and see if you can pick up the hottie with the Labrador you passed on the trail.

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2. Baseball diamond: For a more formal park experience, lots of major league baseball parks have "Dog Days," where owners can sit in special sections with their pooches. It's a fun way to meet other dog lovers, and a great place to watch the game, too.

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3. Wine tasting: Other places to find canine events are local park districts, public libraries, and even wineries. Mutt Lynch Winery in Healdsburg, California has a whole "Dog Days of Summer" event.

None of these ideas making your doggy friend's tail wag? To plan your own "Dog Day" event at work or at home, check out OneCoast for tips and tricks that even an old dog could learn.

Have a favorite doggie activity of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Stay cool, and enjoy your weekend!

Date Idea: Cuddle Up in the Dark





By Delaney Gilbride

Need a fun <u>date idea</u> for this weekend? Cupid's got you covered! With the summer on the rise, evening dates are looking more and more tempting.

Get out into the cool and sultry night and check out what's sizzling in your area for the perfect

summer <u>date night</u>!

Many popular museums have special events going on in the evenings. The American Museum of Natural History in New York City hosts Evening Bat Walks on select Friday and Saturday nights. You can also check out local aquariums and marine centers for your special night! Visit List of Public Aquariums from FishChannel.com to find one near you.

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Another great nighttime idea is stargazing. Live in the city? Not a problem. All those bright lights may make it difficult to see the night stars, but it's not impossible! The Amateur Astronomer's Association of New York leads stargazing ventures every week. Search 'amateur astronomers association' on Google to find one in your city and take a tour.

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If you live around Los Angeles and are into the pop culture scene, now is the perfect time to head to one of the city's famous venues! Live Nation holds tons of concerts in LA and the surrounding area, featuring artists like Justin Bieber, Rihanna, Keith Urban, and more. Don't live in Los Angeles? You can find a live concert or play near you with a little research at <u>ticketmaster.com</u>.

Have a romantic night spot you want to recommend? Comment below and share it with our other readers.

Date Idea: Shop 'Til You Drop





By Delaney Gilbride

If you're looking for new <u>date ideas</u>, check out the mall! While the mall may not be the first place you'd go to find a potential mate, your favorite store can be a good place to meet new people.

With summer sales going on across the country, there's no better time to head to the mall to check out the low prices and local hotties:

For 20-somethings, check out stores like Buckle and Hollister,

which have sales associates of both sexes. The cutie helping you find your size could be your next best-dressed date! Here's a quick tip to get started: say you're shopping for a family member of the opposite sex. It's an opportunity to give them compliments, as well as check out their style.

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To find someone who shares your interests, specialty stores are the place to go. Into hunting, fishing or other outdoor activities? Check out places like Bass Pro Shop. If music is your thing, go to the nearest Best Buy or a local vinyl store! Whether it's the person behind the counter, or someone shopping the rack next to you, there's an easy opening for starting a conversation that could continue over coffee… or maybe even a <u>date night</u>!

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Other great places to look are hole-in-the-wall boutiques. The atmosphere is personal, and you can be certain the people who shop there are from your area.

Want to hit up the Anniversary Sale to do some shopping for love? Visit Nordstrom's website to find the store nearest you.

Have a romantic shopping story of your own? Comment below, and share with our readers.

Date Idea: Fire Up the

Weekend





By Delaney Gilbride

Need a fun <u>date idea</u> for Memorial Day weekend? Cupid's got you covered! While everyone's celebrating the best of May with friends and family, there are still plenty of places for you and your boo to couple up. And even if you're single...

Memorial Day weekend is full of gatherings and festivities that make it easy to have fun with friends and find sparks with

someone new:

This time of year is a great to catch the very beginning of summer movies. This year the buzz is centered around *Pirates* of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales. But hey, there's no reason to stay inside when the weather is so nice! Grab a blanket and head to see a movie in the park or at a drive in for the perfect <u>date night</u>.

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It goes without saying that the weekend is also full of barbecues and parties, and while a family gathering might not be the best place to find a mate, hosting your own festivities could be just the way to do it! Food (and especially drinks) *always* make for a good time. Want some <u>love</u> <u>advice</u>? Invite other singles over and ask everyone to bring a platonic date and set off your own fireworks for finding love.

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In the Chicagoland area? Check out the *Movies in the Park* series at the city parks.

What are you doing to celebrate the weekend? Comment below and share with our other readers.

Top 5 Most Luxurious Romantic Getaways in the United States





By Noelle Downey

Are you and your significant other stuck in a rut? Do you need an escape from the pressures and demands of daily life to find a way back to your old, romantic selves? Free yourselves from monotony and have an amazing, romance-filled adventure at one of these amazing travel destinations! No matter what you and your partner are looking for, from fine cuisine to relaxing spa treatments to outdoor fun, at least one of these luxurious <u>romantic getaways</u> will be sure to deliver everything your hearts desire. Feeling as though your relationship has gone from fun to frumpy and forced? Never fear! A romantic vacation is just what you both need, and with luxury destinations like this, you'll be sure to return to your regular lives pampered, relaxed and more in love than ever.

Looking to slip away to a sensational and luxurious romantic getaway with your significant other? Check out these dreamy travel destinations and see if one could be you and your partner's romantic utopia!

The Adolphus: Known locally as "The Great Dame" of Dallas, Texas, this incredible hotel that will make your luxury travel experience feel like a dream come true. With classic architecture originating in 1912 and all the modern amenities your heart could desire, this is the perfect place to reconnect with your partner and relax while also enjoying all the sounds and sights of a beautiful and bustling city. Enjoy the award-winning cuisine prepared by talented chefs in the hotel's luxurious restaurant during a <u>date night</u>, lounge on the garden terraces adjoining the rooms, and have a long soak in the large bath tubs for a pampering session right in the comfort of your room.

The Sagamore: Looking for something a little more removed from the hustle and bustle of a city? Try this destination, an expansive and historic hotel on its own private island in the Adirondacks. With beautiful lakeside views and luxury suites, this beautiful location offers just about every thing you could possibly want from a romantic getaway. Take a trip to the hotel spa to relax and enjoy a couple's massage, admire the original works of art in the foyer, play a rousing game of tennis on their private courts, or enjoy an adrenaline rush with your partner by going windsurfing.

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The Woodstock Inn: Another gorgeous and idyllic romantic getaway in a peaceful and calm setting, The Woodstock Inn is set in the rich forestland of Vermont. While this destination may sound rustic, it is anything but, with their finest suites including 600 thread count cotton sheets and pristine marbled bathrooms. Cuddle up by the fireplace in your room with your significant other, take a romantic stroll through the woods, or play a game of golf together for a fun and woodsy trip that combines the beauty of nature with the material enjoyment of luxury travel.

The Westin Verasa Napa: This stunning retreat in downtown Napa features a variety of luxurious amenities, from a heated saltwater pool to an amazing restaurant to a bar featuring sinfully delicious drinks. Try some couple's fitness in their well-maintained gym, then share a poolside massage before having a seat at the chef's table, a unique opportunity at a fantastic foodie experience. Finished with your meal? Enjoy tasting some fine wines from the historic Napa valley and then take to the skies in a hot air balloon ride over the city.

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The Alexander: Looking for an even more in-depth fine dining experience? Try The Alexander, a modern gem in the heart of Indianapolis brimming with incredible works of art and a chance to watch the chefs at their award-winning restaurant prepare your intricate and delicious dishes in their open kitchen, which you can observe from your table. After dinner, head to the lounge, Plat 99, for cocktails and entertainment and later head out intothe city to enjoy some wild nightlife!

What do you think of these luxurious romantic getaways? Will you and your partner be visiting one at your next couples-only vacation? Let us know in the comments!

New Celebrity Couple Jennifer Lopez & Alex Rodriguez Make Red Carpet Debut at Met Gala 2017



By Noelle Downey

New <u>celebrity couple</u> <u>Jennifer Lopez</u> and Alex Rodriguez have officially gone public on the red-carpet! According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the A-list couple was photographed at the 2017 Met Gala on May 1 in the shining city of NYC, after being spotted the previous evening stepping out and cuddling up on a <u>romantic date night</u>. This <u>Hollywood relationship</u> began just three months ago, but an insider spills that it hasn't prevented these two lovebirds from talking about a future together, which might even include a <u>celebrity wedding</u>. "They've been talking about the future and of course marriage has come up," the source confesses. "They aren't making wedding plans, but they have been talking about their lives."

This new celebrity couple is going public with their relationship! How do you know when it's time to introduce your partner to family and friends?

Cupid's Advice:

There's no doubt about it; introducing your new significant other to your friends and family can be super nerve-wracking! When in doubt, Cupid is here with top tips on when to know it's time to make the big introductions:

1. When your partner is an integral part of your day-to-day life: If you and your partner's days always include some kind of contact with each other, from a friendly text conversation to check-in or a date night for dinner or a movie at their house, it may be time to take the next step and introduce them to your friends and family. If you feel secure in your relationship and know that it is far from being an on-and-off type of thing, then it makes total sense for your friends and family to get to know more about your sweetie!

Related Link: <u>New Celebrity Couple Jennifer Lopez & Alex</u> <u>Rodriguez Are More Than 'Just a Fling'</u> 2. When you know they're someone special: Introducing friends and family to a new significant other can be stressful, but what makes it a lot less of a hurdle to jump is when you know for sure the person you're introducing them to is someone you truly care about and who you think is something special. You don't have to be days away from tying the knot or on the brink of moving in together, but make sure this is someone who you want to bring home to your mom and dad, or have to dinner with your best friend. Remember, these are the people who love you most in the whole world, it's actually an honor for your SO to get to meet them!

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3. When you've talked about it: When in doubt, speak to your significant other about whether or not they're ready to meet your friends and family. Even if they're absolutely crazy about you, your partner may have some anxieties about taking such a big step, so feel free to put it off for another month if you feel like you're still getting to know each other or aren't sure yet what your label truly is. Whenever you decide to meet each other's families, make sure you're both comfortable with the decision and the timing and have discussed your relationship to enough of a degree that this introduction feels like the next logical step.

Have you ever been in a relationship you weren't sure it was time to take public? What convinced you to take that big step? Let us know in the comments!