Jill Duggar and New Husband Derick Dillard Are Expecting First Child



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Just two months in to holy matrimony, Jill Duggar and her husband Derick Dillard are expecting their first child. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the happy news was released by the mother-to-be and her hubby on August 20th. Happiness surrounds the couple, as Duggar took to Twitter to announce the couple's one year "Skypiversary" on August 17th- the anniversary of the first time they Skyped. The two were introduced by Duggar's father, and immediately knew they'd be together forever. Duggar is the fourth of nineteen children in her family's household, and the second to become a

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parent, following her older brother, Josh. Now that the couple are "one kid and counting", we can't wait to hear potential baby names!

What are some ways to decide when to have your first child?

Cupid's Advice:

A baby, like marriage, is the beginning of a wonderful new adventure. In order to enjoy the experience of having your first child, rather than stress a lot over it, it's important to be prepared and know when it's the right time for you and your spouse. Here we've got some tips on how to decide when the time is right for you:

1. You've got your "younger" aspirations out of the way: Being a parent is a full-time job, and it's hard, heck- it's impossible- to balance it with spontaneity and reckless abandonment. If you and your spouse have always desired to, say, travel to Tuscany, or backpack Ireland's countryside, you're not going to do so hauling a baby around. You know the time for a first child is right for you when you've already satisfied your thirst and curiosity of wilder things.

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2. You swoon every time you see a baby: You know your parental instinct has kicked in when you briefly plot snatching up someone else's baby every time you see one. Just kidding, we know you wouldn't do that. At the very least, when you walk through the aisles at a department store and spot the baby section, you start planning tiny outfits. If your heart melts at the mere sight of a baby, then go ahead and make your dream come true.

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3. You treat your pets like children: You dress up your dog, spoon-feed your cat, and even read to your parakeet. All

of these things are signs that your parental instinct is in high gear! If you know you're capable of loving and nurturing smaller creatures, and are 100% dedicated to doing so, take the next step and bring your own bundle of joy into the world.

When did you know the time was right for you to have your first child? Tell us in the comments below!

Jill Duggar Celebrates Second Week Anniversary





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With one of the most unique fairytales, newlyweds Jill Duggar

and Derick Dillard shared a romantic evening on the town to celebrate two official weeks of marriage. The 19 Kids and Counting star Instagrammed a photo of her and her new hubby at the dinner table, grinning from ear to ear. The pair shared their first kiss together on the day of their wedding and have seemed elated ever since, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>

What are some unique milestones to celebrate as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Everyone knows the first year anniversary, the 25, and 50 year markers are traditionally significant to a marriage, but each couple can celebrate relationship markers that are significant to them individually. When celebrating your time with your beloved, take into account these special dates that we've pulled together for you and your hubby.

1. 100 day anniversary: The lucky 100! You and your honey have spent 100 days together as husband and wife, and hopefully there are many more to come. 100 is a traditionally lucky number so celebrate this day with all things 100. Come up with 100 things you love about each other, 100 things you want to do together as a couple, and maybe 100 places you want to go together.

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2. The anniversary of your first kiss: For some this is the same as the first date, but for others this can be something different entirely. The first kiss became the first of many, and it's a relevant milestone to celebrate. Kissing is highly romantic and a first kiss is usually greatly anticipated. Couples such as Duggar and Dillard who waited until their wedding day for their first kiss, this occasion can seem more monumental. Marvel in your past anticipate. Related: <u>'Full House' Star Dave Coulier Ties the Knot</u>

3. The anniversary of the day you first met: Some couples met when they were five years-old, for others they met a little over a year ago. Every couple has a story and this occasion is perfect for reminiscing in yours. Utilize this day as a time for seeing how much you've changed as a couple from the beginning. Chances are, you aren't the same people you were. In fact, there's an even greater chance that you've made each other even better than you used to be.

What are some creative milestones that you've celebrated with your man? Share with us in the comments below!

Jill Duggar & Derick Dillard Share First Kiss in Front of 1,000 Guests





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Waiting to go all the way before your wedding day is one thing, but waiting for your first kiss is practically unheard of. As Jill Duggar and Derick Dillard concluded their vows, they shared their first kiss together. Duggar's family is known for their courting rules on the reality series 19 Kids and Counting and the star, 23, decided to stick with them and wait until her wedding day to kiss the love of her life. The star's parents explained to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> that dating and courtship is merely getting to know a person with focusing on the end game being marriage.

What are some ways to limit those you invite to your wedding?

Cupid's Advice: On your special day you want the people who mean the most to you to be there. This can get tricky since everyone who you've ever spoken to is going to be expecting an invite. Don't panic. We've created these tips to help you narrow down your choices for who will be attending your wedding celebration.

1. Have criteria for narrowing down your guest list: If this

person didn't know you and your significant other were even dating, chances are they aren't someone who is relevant enough for an invite. Ask your man and yourself whether or not you'd notice if a particular guest attended or not. Have you even spoken to this person in the past year? Did you attend their wedding? Or if you think a guest may start drama or a riot at the wedding, you'd best not extend an invitation. You want this day to run as smoothly as possible.

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2. Have a closed ceremony but an open reception: One genius way to limit the attendance to your ceremony venue is to have a private ceremony but a public reception. A laid back environment for a reception can be fun and breezy, making your job as a bride easier. Allow guests to come and go as they please, and bring whomever they want to wish you well. The intimate ceremony will allow you to have those closest to you there for your special declaration of vows, and then join the party with the rest of your friends and family at a large gathering. The best of both worlds.

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3. Have a budget that you stick to: Setting a certain financial plan in stone can help you make the necessary cuts for your big day. Weddings are expensive. The dress, the venues, the food, the cake, the tuxes, the limos, it all adds up. Having a strict financial budget will help you plan your wedding in a fiscally smart manner. It'll serve as the little extra nudge you need to make your decisions and stick to them.

How have you narrowed down your celebration invites? Share with us in the comments below!