## Bigger Is Better: Top 6 Celebrity Couple Engagement Rings





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Size matters when it comes to <u>celebrity engagement</u> rings! When the stars align and true love develops among our favorite <u>celebrity couples</u>, they take it to a whole new level. Bold, beautiful and big diamonds are the top choice when it comes to selecting a ring. The gorgeous pieces of jewelry are just a precursor to the extravagant <u>celebrity weddings</u> that occur. These celebs go all out!

# Cupid has compiled the top six celebrity engagement rings of all time:

- 1. <u>Kate Middleton</u>: The Duchess of Cambridge, Kate Middleton, is royalty. Therefore; her engagement ring is regal and suited for the Princess that she is. In fact, her ring belonged to her mother-in-law, Princess Diana, Princess of Wales. It's a gorgeous 18 carat sapphire and diamond ring. Long live the love story of Prince William and Princess Kate!
- 2. Paris Hilton: Socialite, jetsetter, model and heiress, Paris Hilton, is American royalty. Her family dynasty is worth millions of dollars and their family tree has included Hollywood starlets Elizabeth Taylor and Zsa Zsa Gabor. In 2005, Hilton was engaged to shipping heir, Paris Latsis. She received not one, but two engagement rings. He spent close to \$5 million on her huge 24 carat diamond engagement ring that has since become iconic. It was so large that it sometimes hurt her hand, so he bought her a second engagement ring from Cartier to wear when her finger was sore. Now, that is love!

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- 3. Jennifer Aniston: One of the most talented actresses in the industry, Jennifer Aniston, was proposed to in 2012 by Justin Theroux with a stunning 8 carat emerald cut solitaire ring that is worth \$500,000! The *Friends* star's ring is as elegant as her celebrity wedding was that followed. She deserves the world! Cheers to the happy couple!
- **4. Elizabeth Hurley:** Supermodel and actress Elizabeth Hurley is known for many things: being the face of Estée Lauder, wearing the iconic Versace safety pin dress, being close friends with legends like Elton John, and dating top notch men

like Hugh Grant. Cricket player Shane Wame gave Hurley a 9 carat platinum engagement ring in 2011 that features diamonds and a blue sapphire that pays homage to their British roots.

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- **5.** <u>Kim Kardashian</u>: Keeping Up With Kim Kardashian! Rapper, Kanye West, proposed to Kardashian with a 15 carat engagement ring designed by Lorraine Schwartz that cost \$8 million! The cushion cut diamond is enormous and is surrounded by a pave band of smaller diamonds. Nobody would expect anything less from these opulent celebs.
- **6.** Jessica Biel: Justin Timberlake, pop star, gave actress Jessica Biel a beautiful engagement ring in 2011. The large round diamond is surrounded by rows of smaller diamonds. The detailed band features rope style sides and blackened platinum to give it a vintage appearance. This unique ring is a stunner!

What celebrity engagement rings are your favorites? Comment below!

## 5 of the Most Lavish Hollywood Weddings





By Jessica Nappi

Every girl dreams of the perfect wedding, with the most beautiful dress, and of course, Prince Charming. Some celebrities are able to turn these dreams into reality with weddings that both cost millions of dollars and look gorgeous. From custom-made attire to venues that resemble paradise, these celebrity couples top our list of lavish weddings we will never forget:

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1. Prince William and Kate Middleton: Undoubtedly the most talked-about wedding of 2011 and perhaps the most anticipated 'I do' since Princess Diana's royal wedding, Prince William and Kate Middleton had a lavish wedding that will be very difficult to top. The royal pair wed at Westminster Abbey in front of 1,900 guests, while thousands more gathered outside to watch the newlyweds ride by in a horse-drawn carriage and kiss on the balcony of Buckingham Palace. The cake alone cost \$80,000 and Middleton's custom-made dress cost \$70,000. Overall the wedding had to be supported by the tax-

payers of England because it cost over \$30 million.

- 2. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries: The whole world was fortunate enough to see this wedding thanks to a camera crew so large that 50 guests had to be cut to accommodate for it. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries wed in a beautiful vintage Hollywood black-and-white-themed ceremony where she helped design every detail. The venue was at a private estate in Montecito, California that is worth an estimated \$20 million. Over 500 guests witnessed the 'I do's' under large white tents that were built to keep the wedding under wraps and to fit in with the black-and-white theme. Let's not forget about the wedding dresses; yes, there was more than one. Each of the three gowns was Vera Wang and reportedly cost \$20,000 a pop. The entire wedding cost anywhere from six to ten million dollars, but we wouldn't expect anything less from Kim Kardashian.
- 3. Elizabeth Hurley and Arun Nayar: Elizabeth Hurley and Indian textile heir Arun Nayar started dating in 2002 and waited to wed until 2007. The lavish and eight day-long wedding was worth the wait. Because the couple came from different backgrounds, their wedding was divided into two locations. For the British wedding, Hurley married Nayar in a beautiful ceremony at Sudeley Castle in Gloucestershire where Elton John gave the bride away. The nuptials continued in India at a similarly-star-studded ceremony. Hurley wore beautifully embellished dresses and chocolate fountains were scattered all across the venue making this wedding unforgettable. The wedding cost an estimated \$2.5 million.
- 4. Fergie and Josh Duhamel: This celebrity pair opted for a white fantasy wedding at the Church Estates Vineyards in Malibu. Fergie and Josh Duhamel exchanged vows under magnolia trees filled with thousands of white roses. The bride carried a bouquet of flowers studded with crystals and wore a beautifully fitted Dolce & Gabbana gown. The reception was held in a tent that was made to look like a forest of trees,

with the ceiling covered in lights. Kate Hudson, Rebecca Romijn, and Jerry O'Connell were a few of the many celebrities who attended this extravagant wedding.

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5. Kendra Wilkinson and Hank Baskett: Kendra Wilkinson and former NFL player Hank Baskett's wedding was not only lavish: it was one of a kind. They were the first couple ever to wed at the Playboy Mansion other than Hugh Hefner himself. Of course, they had to make it special. Kendra walked down the aisle in a princess-style white gown and wore more than \$100,000 worth of platinum jewelry by Michael Barin. The ceremony was held out in the open on a lawn where white rose petals and flower wreaths lined the aisle. Hundreds of guests, including plenty of playmates, watched the happy couple promised to be together forever in this beautiful ceremony.

Celebrity weddings will always peak our interest because of how over-the-top they can be. These five celebrity weddings were definitely lavish, but in the world of Hollywood, there will always be more that will top these. Stay tuned.

What are some of your favorite celebrity weddings? Tell us below.

### Elizabeth Hurley Is Engaged





Model and actress, Elizabeth Hurley, who has most recently appeared in *Gossip Girl*, is now happily engaged to Australian cricket player, Shane Warne. After dating for 10 months, according to *UsMagazine.com*, Warne proposed to Hurley with a huge sapphire ring at the Old Course Hotel in Scotland Friday during a romantic dinner at the hotel's Road Hole Restaurant.

#### Is it important to get down on one knee when you propose?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Every engagement should be as unique as the people forming a union. Therefore, there's no exact formula to the perfect engagement. Here are some non-traditional ways to propose that don't involve getting down on one knee:

- 1. While skydiving: For some extreme couples, it might be more meaningful to pop the question mid-air directly after jumping out of a plane together.
- 2. Spur of the moment: Spontaneous acts can be very romantic. Try proposing to your partner while walking by a jewelry store and allow them to pick out the perfect ring right then and

there.

**3. During dessert:** It has becoming very common to propose by making arrangements with the restaurant in advance to bring out a ring with your partner's dessert. It's sweet and romantic, but isn't too overly traditional.

Would you be upset if your partner didn't get down on one knee to propose? Share your thoughts below.

### Elizabeth Hurley Files for Divorce





This past Friday, Elizabeth Hurley filed for divorce from her husband Arun Nayar. According to <u>People</u>, Hurley blames the divorce on husband, Nayar's "unreasonable behavior." What seems to be confusing to the public, however, are the photos that surfaced in December of Hurley kissing an Australian cricket star, Shane Warne, outside a restaurant in London. Hurley took the opportunity to explain herself via Twitter, saying, "For the record, my husband Arun and I seperated a few months ago. Our close friends & family were aware of this."

## If you're separated from a spouse, is it okay to stray? Cupid's Advice:

Divorces are messy and can take months or even years to clear through the legal system. Some couples find it easier or less hassle to have a separation. Cupid has some things to think about when deciding what's acceptable to do during a separation:

- 1. Reasoning for the separation: If youe separation is the first step in a divorce, it may be okay to begin to start your new life. If the two of you separated in hopes that the time apart will bring you closer together, then you still owe your time to your current spouse.
- 2. What you decide: When you and your significant other decide to separate, a conversation about what is appropriate during the time apart is necessary to avoid any confusion.
- **3. The other person's behavior:** If your spouse is still attempting to work on things in your relationship and you're already on to the next one, you should let him or her know before you begin moving on.

## Elizabeth Hurley and Arun Nayar: Separated





After four years, Elizabeth Hurley and Arun Nayar have decided to call it quits. The British model-actress and Indian textile heir were wed at a castle in England and then at a palace in India back in 2007. On Sunday, Hurley, 45, tweeted, "For the record, my husband Arun and I separated a few months ago." According to <u>Us Weekly</u>, Hurley's declaration corresponded with a report claiming that she had an affair with Australian cricketer Shane Warne.

What are good ways to work on a rocky marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes couples such as Elizabeth Hurley and Arun Nayar just can't get their marriage back on track, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't try. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Make time: In order to work on problems with your special someone, you need to make time for him first. Whether it's romantic nights out or just a nice meal at home without the kids, alone time will play a big role in keep the romance alive.
- 2. Communicate: If you feel like you and your partner are distant, work on communicating with him. Don't forget to listen as much as you talk, because communication goes both ways.
- 3. Be honest: Above all else, make sure you are being honest with each other. Always try to be open about everything, and hide nothing. Trust is the core a great relationship.