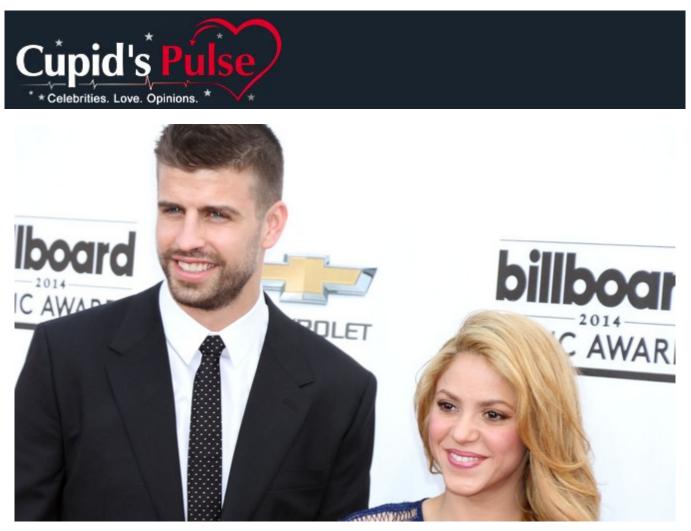
Shakira Cheers on Celebrity Love Gerard Pique at Soccer Match



By Jenna Bagcal

In celebrity news from <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, former Voice coach Shakira cheered on her <u>celebrity love</u> Gerard Pique at his soccer match against Valencia FC. On April 18, Shakira and her celebrity kids attended the FC Barcelona game to support the soccer superstar. The happy couple were also seen engaging in a little sideline PDA. The Columbia singer shared in an interview with Latina Magazine that in the future, she would love to have "eight or nine kids" with the soccer centre-back.

It's a family affair for Shakira, her sons and her celebrity love! What are some ways to know whether your partner values family?

Cupid's Advice:

A partner who is family oriented and has good family values is not just important for a famous couple like Shakira and her celebrity love. Finding a partner who has similar family values to yourself will help you have a successful and long lasting relationship. Here are three of Cupid's tips to know whether your significant other values family:

1. They call or video chat their parents and/or siblings: Even though you partner may not live with their family anymore, they still take the time out of their day to give them a quick phone call to say "hi" or ask them about their day. Whether it's once a week or a few times a month, this thoughtful action reinforces the importance your significant other puts on their family.

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2. They talk about having children of their own: A good signifier that your partner values family is that they talk about having little ones of their own in the future. Also, observing how they act around other people's children will give you a feel for how they will be with your kids.

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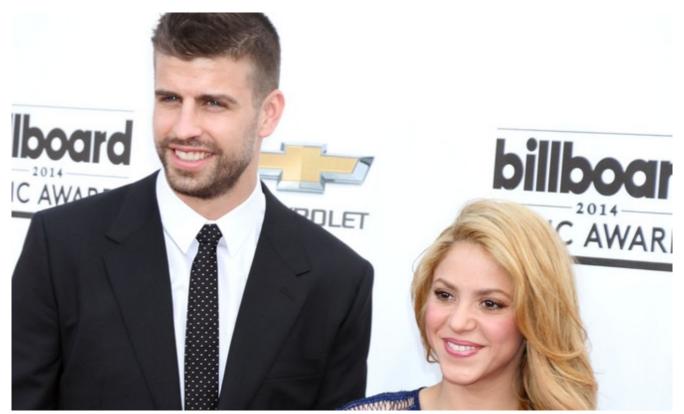
3. They attend important family events: We all know that sometimes life becomes very busy and filled with responsibilities and other commitments. However, a person who

values their family will not put them on the back burner when it comes to major family events and milestones. Whether their cousin is getting married or having a baby shower, a family oriented partner will make sure that they attend the event.

What is the importance of a partner who values his or her family? Share your thoughts with us!

Shakira Expecting Second Child





By Kaley Allard

It's true! Pop star and dancer Shakira is pregnant with her second child with Gerard Pique. The news of Sharkira's pregnancy broke during an interview with *Cosmopolitian en Español*, and was confirmed by <u>People</u>. We wish the happy couple the best of luck with their next bundle of joy!

How do you know when it's time to expand your family?

Cupid's Advice:

Deciding whether or not you should expand your family is a very difficult decision, there are many things to consider before adding a bouncing baby to your family. Here are the three top things to consider before having another baby:

1. Financially sound?: Before you and your partner considering adding another child to your troop, first decide whether or not you can afford another baby. Babies bring a lot of joy into a family, but they also bring a lot of dirty diapers and other expenses.

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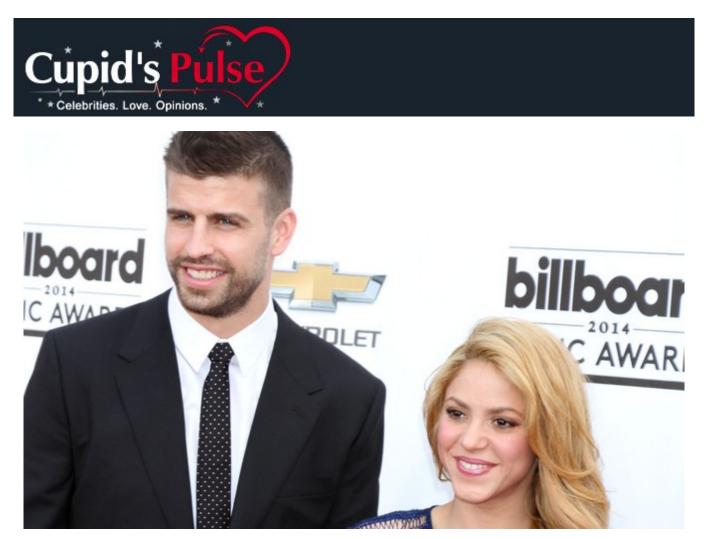
2. Number of Kids: It may have been awhile since you and your partner had a baby around the house, but you should look at the number of children you already have. Is a 4 person household the perfect size for you, or should stick to having only 1 child.

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3. Future plans: Another important thing to discuss with your partner is what goals you had for your family and as individuals. Was another baby in the works, or do you need to focus on your careers, or your relationship. Discussing goals is an important discussion to have before expanding your family.

What were areas of conversation before you and your partner had another child? Please share below!

Shakira Welcomes a Baby Boy



By <u>Nic Baird</u>

Shakira and Gerard Piqué announced the <u>birth of their son</u> Milan Piqué Mebarak, Jan. 22, on <u>Shakira's website</u>, reports <u>People</u>. The post explained the name Milan (pronounced MEElahn) means dear, loving, gracious, and eager. The <u>newborn</u> weighed 6 lbs., 6 oz, and the hospital reports both mother and child are in excellent health. "I'd like to ask you all to accompany me in your prayers on this very important day of my life," Shakira tweeted earlier in the day.

What are some ways to choose a meaningful baby name with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

You don't need a line from Shakespeare to realize your child will be able to live with whatever name you throw their way. You and your <u>partner</u> should decide together on a name. The process of naming your baby is emotional, and deserves all the significance you give it:

1. Name books: Even if just for inspiration, or to explore the different cultural options, name books can be a helpful way to get started. It's a helpful way to remind yourself of promising name choices that might have slipped your mind. Discuss the ones you like with your significant other.

2. Traditional choices: Consider naming your <u>child</u> after a member of your family. It can be a meaningful way to symbolize the unity and <u>love</u> you all share. It can also be traditional to give your baby a name with religious significance. Just make sure it speaks to you and your partner personally.

3. Mutual enthusiasm: While most every name has some significance, meaning, or at least a history, you and your partner should pick a name you both enjoy above all else. Give every suggestion some thought, but don't make any hasty suggestions. If you both find ones that feels right, then that's good enough.

What are some ways to choose a baby name? Share your comments below!

Shakira Is Expecting





By Nicole Weintraub

Shakira Junior is on the way, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The singer recently announced that she and her boyfriend of a year and a half, Gerard Pique, are expecting their first child together. The couple confirmed their relationship back in March of 2011 after Shakira broke things off with her boyfriend of over 10 years, Antonio de la Rua. Shakira and Pique, a Barcelona soccer star, are excited for the newest arrival to their family.

What are some ways to tell your partner about an unexpected pregnancy?

Cupid's Advice:

Pass the rolls – I'm pregnant! Here are some ways to tell your partner about an unexpected pregnancy:

1. Prepare them: Instead of just coming right out and spilling the secret, you might want to say something leading up to the big news. Give them a moment to prepare themselves so they are not completely floored by the news.

2. Make it fun: Be creative and have fun with it! Be sure to have a video camera ready to record their reaction since this will be a moment you will want to have on file for future use.

3. Don't tell anyone before them: Don't tell anyone else before your partner if you want to be the one to tell them. News travels fast and you don't want them to find out through someone else before you've had a chance to reach them.

How did you tell your partner that you were pregnant? Share your stories with us.