

# Beauty Tips: 7 Halloween Makeup Looks You Can Wear with a Mask



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You may find yourself wearing a different kind of mask than normal this Halloween. While the inclusion of a mask may go against your original costume plan, there are still many ways to look festive while remaining safe on October 31st. Whether it is for your small gathering or simply for the Instagram picture, try incorporating some of the following [beauty tips](#) to create the perfect mask-friendly makeup look this Halloween.

# Try out some of these beauty tips to help you create the perfect mask-friendly makeup look this Halloween.

**1. Cat-eye:** The classic cat-eye is the perfect makeup option when it comes to wearing a mask. Put your eyeliner skills to the test by applying a thick cat-eye above your lash line. You can also incorporate the mask into your costume as an accessory by drawing on a cute nose and set of whiskers. Throwing on a pair of cat ears is also a great way to compliment your eyeliner and complete the costume.

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**2. Mermaid scales:** Break out your brightest blue eyeshadows and get ready to complete your mask-friendly mermaid costume. By placing a pair of fishnets over your forehead, you can trace out the perfect scale pattern quickly and easily. Try adding some bright scales to the sides of your hairline to frame your eyes, and incorporate a shiny mask to finish out the look.

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**3. Sunken eyes:** One of the most popular makeup looks to pull off on Halloween is the skeleton. This look can also be one of the most challenging, making this year the perfect time to give it a try. Since only the top half of your face will be visible, focus your effort on producing your best sunken eyes with some gray eyeshadow. Continue by tracing the remaining skeletal features out with white eyeliner and throw on a skeleton-smile mask to save yourself from attempting to draw the teeth!

**4. Lots of glitter:** There is no better time for body glitter than on Halloween. From copying looks from the television show *Euphoria* to going with more classic options such as princesses and fairies, there are no shortage of glitter looks this Halloween. By coating your eyelids in a shimmery shadow and applying some jewels to your upper cheeks, this beauty tip will make it look like you put in maximum effort on your mask-friendly costume.

**5. Doll eyes:** Another trend that has been gaining momentum this Halloween is doll eyes. Whether you prefer Barbie dolls or Bratz, there are plenty of tutorials showing you how to create the perfect doll eyes. By overlining your eyes and applying full fake eyelashes, you'll have no trouble turning yourself into one of your favorite childhood toys. Take your recreation to the next level by tracing the dolls lips onto the front of your mask and throwing on some themed accessories.

**6. Colored contacts:** If you're not the biggest fan of wearing makeup but still want to participate in a mask-friendly Halloween look, colored contacts are a great alternative. Throw on a pair of white contacts to complete a skeleton look, or opt for a deep red to put forward your best vampire. Colored contacts are also a great way to avoid the tiredly makeup removal process at the end of Halloween night as all you have to do is take them out.

**7. Classic clown:** While they may not be for everyone, clown costumes are another mask-friendly option this Halloween. You can go the scary route by recreating a horror film clown look with dark triangles around your eyes, or the more friendly route by using bright eyeshadows and painting a red nose onto your mask. Wigs and props are another great way to attenuate this costume while staying safe this Halloween.

**What are some other mask-friendly Halloween makeup options? Start a conversation in the comments below!**

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# Parenting Advice: Stay Safe on the Spookiest Night of the Year



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Halloween is one of the holidays that kids look forward to the most each year. Who wouldn't want all that candy? As fun as the holiday can be, though, kids and adults have to remember to stay safe. You never know what spooky creatures might be out and about in the dead of night! Check out some of these [parenting tips](#) on how to make sure you and your kids come home safely on Halloween.

# Keeping your kids safe is the best parenting advice anyone can ask for! What are some tips for staying safe on the spookiest night of the year – Halloween?

As parents, all we want to do is keep kids safe! While we want them to have an unforgettable Halloween night, staying safe is also a priority. Here are some of Cupid's tips to making sure you and your kids always return home safely on Halloween night:

**1. Bring a flashlight:** It can get pretty dark when trick or treating at night, so having a flashlight will help you make sure you know where you are, where you're going, and who's around you! You can keep the little ones at arm's length, and make sure no one gets left behind!

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**2. If you separate from your kids, have a designated meeting place:** There's always the awful chance that you and your kids could get separated at some point. If that does happen, make sure you have a designated meeting spot that is very familiar to your child. This will ease the anxiety on both ends, and it's a surefire way to make sure you find each other again.

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**3. Make sure your kids know your phone number:** On the off chance that your kids get lost and can't find their way back to you, make sure they know your cell phone number! If they can't remember it, write it on a tag or necklace for them to

wear. This way if they can't call you and let you know where they are, a trusted adult will.

**4. Don't talk to strangers:** This may be an old rule, but it stands tried and true. Make sure your kids know to only talk to trusted adults – no one they aren't familiar with. If they stick with other parents they know, they'll return home safe and sound in no time.

**What are some other tips to ensure your kids return home safe on Halloween night? Let us know in the comments below!**

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## **Travel Trend: Celebrate Halloween With a Special Trip**





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Halloween is a time for kids to indulge in sugar cravings, and for adults to sit back and relax, while still getting into the spooky spirit. If you don't have little ones to bring trick or treating this year, or don't feel like sitting at home to hand out candy to your neighbors, why not plan a trip and celebrate Halloween in style? Whether it's with your significant other or with a group of friends, these [vacation destinations](#) will be sure to get you in the Halloween spirit.

**Going on a trip to celebrate Halloween is a great up and coming travel trend. What are some great vacation destinations for this Halloween?**

Halloween doesn't have to be a holiday where you just sit at home. You deserve to head out on the town and have some fun!

Check out some of Cupid's favorite spots to celebrate Halloween:

**1. New Orleans, Louisiana:** From numerous haunted hotels to the "Krewe of Boo" parade, New Orleans is a city that will scare your socks off! Children can play spooky games at the museums, you can rock out at the annual Halloween Spooktacular family concert, or even take a ghost tour! The possibilities are endless in this delightfully spooky town.

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**2. Seattle, Washington:** This city has their own unique spin on Halloween – "Hilloween." This is where Capitol Hill houses an indoor carnival full of rides, games, haunted houses and so much more! Everyone will be able to find something at "Hilloween," no matter at what age.

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**3. Salem, Massachusetts:** The well-known setting of the historic Salem Witch Trials, this town has spookiness embedded into their history. While helping the townspeople and tourists understand the history of the Salem Witch Trials, the town also hosts an annual Halloween festival with many kid-friendly events like trick or treating and ghost tours.

**4. Williamsburg, Virginia:** Williamsburg takes part in the spooky festivities by hosting "A Haunting on DoG Street." A variety of ghost tours take place throughout Colonial Williamsburg, highlighting the history of the town while putting a haunting twist on the tale. Ghost tours not your thing? Don't worry! Busch Gardens' Howl-O-Scream event is right down the street and is full of fun rides, zombies, ghouls and other creatures that will be sure to give you a fright!

**What are some other great vacation destinations to celebrate Halloween? Let us know in the comments below!**

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# Food Trend: Fun Halloween-Inspired Desserts



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There's a lot that goes into planning for Halloween. There are the costumes, the pumpkin patches, the hayrides, the movies that won't scar anyone too badly, and, of course, the [food](#). Having tasty snacks to eat are a staple for any good Halloween-themed get-together. They're not only a fun decoration, but they can taste terrifyingly good. So, why not put on your apron, get in the kitchen, and start brainstorming what spooky [food trends](#) will have your guests begging for the recipes by the end of the night?

# Food Trend: With Halloween just around the corner, what are some of the best Halloween-inspired desserts you can bring to your party this year?

Let's face it: Halloween is nothing without the sugar. Sure, you can have a Halloween party and include more savory foods, but that's not what guests come for. When it comes to October 31st, we're setting our sights on dessert and dessert only. Guests come to indulge in so many sugary-sweet treats that they can barely stand afterward, and it's the one day a year where that is perfectly acceptable! If you want to have some fun, spooky snacks that are easy to make this Halloween, look no further than at Cupid's [food tips](#) for the best desserts to create this holiday:

**1. Gluten-Free Halloween Monster Cookies:** Whipping up some gluten-free options makes sure that every guest won't miss out on the fun. With cookies, it's easy to make them look like a spooky treat. Have almond butter, natural sweetener, and dark chocolate chips on hand as you plunge into this recipe. To bake the cookies, follow the steps provided off of [Primaverakitchen.com](http://Primaverakitchen.com), and then make sure to have some Halloween-colored sprinkles to draw a mouth with. Finish by adding a couple of white chocolate chips painted with dots of black food-coloring that are placed as the eyes of the monster!

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**2. 3-Ingredient Spooky Rice Krispy Treats:** With how busy you'll be planning for Halloween festivities, don't let complicated desserts eat up more time. Instead, opt for simple and easy snacks like these three-ingredient Rice Krispy treats

to dazzle your guests. According to [Chelseasmessykitchen.com](http://Chelseasmessykitchen.com), all you'll need to do is take some rice cereal treats, dip them into some colored chocolate melts, place candy eye-balls on them, and cover them in sprinkles. How fun!

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**3. Boo-scotti:** A quick yet cute dessert that looks more sophisticated than it really is, is chocolate dipped biscotti cookies. Another three-ingredient recipe, [Goodhousekeeping.com](http://Goodhousekeeping.com) details how to make this treat in no time! Melt down some white chocolate, dip the biscotti into the mixture, lay on parchment paper in the fridge for 15 minutes, and then melt some milk chocolate, take a toothpick, and make the ghost's face.

**4. Ghost Cupcake Cones:** A fun, little twist on a regular cupcake that will have your guests excited to try them. All [Confessionsofacookbookqueen.com](http://Confessionsofacookbookqueen.com) states is that you must bake your cupcake inside of an ice cream cone before decorating it to the top with a white, frosting swirl. Create the face with black food coloring and toothpicks, and you're done!

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**5. Marshmallow Mummy Pops:** This is probably the easiest dessert on the list. Coming from [Sprinklesofbreakfast.com](http://Sprinklesofbreakfast.com), all you have to do to make this cute treat is to purchase some jumbo marshmallows, lollipop sticks, white chocolate melts, candy eyes, and some white frosting to pipe at the end. Attach your marshmallow to your stick, dip it in the melted white chocolate, place the candy eyes, sit it in the fridge for 10-15 minutes, and then take your white frosting and pipe it over top of the marshmallow in big ribbons that resemble a mummy!

**What are some of your favorite Halloween-inspired desserts to**

make? Tell us in the comments below!

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## Fashion Trend: Cute Matching Costumes for Halloween



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Halloween is just around the corner, and you don't want to miss this [fashion trend](#). Wearing an outfit individually can turn heads, but wearing a matching outfit with someone can make you look and feel better. It's time to pinpoint just the right matching Halloween costumes for this spooky season. Check out our [fashion advice](#) for cute outfits to wear this

year.

## **Wearing a matching costume with another person can be fun! In this fashion trend, what are some costume ideas that are trending this Halloween?**

**1. Cartoon characters:** This is a good go-to if you're going out with friends or as a couple. *Toy Story* and *The Incredibles* are the first costumes to pick if you choose to go as a group. The two movies have many characters to choose from and many ways to wear them. For couples, you may choose something more intimate like Princess Jasmine and Aladdin or MJ and Spiderman. These two iconic couples captured the love of two people from two different worlds.

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**2. *Game of Thrones*:** This popular TV show has left everyone heavy-hearted. This Halloween costume idea will not leave anyone out while looking for something to wear. Couples also have an advantage to dress up as a couple from the show. They can dress up as Ygritte and Jon Snow or Jaime and Cersei Lannister, for instance.

**3. Occupational:** Being a group of firefighters with the guys or policewomen with the girls is a great way to have fun! You have a lot of flexibility with this one. Dressing up in your actual profession or the one you want to be in is a good way to have fun and possibly meet some new people that have the same idea as you!

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**4. Superheroes and villains:** We all love Batman and Robin, Marvel superheroes, Freddy Kruger, and Cruella Deville. These are great costumes to wear with a group or with a friend. For example, if you want to be Cruella Deville, have your friends dress up as Dalmatian dogs. Though, if you want to be creative, be Freddy Kruger and have your friends dress up as people that he has killed or as themselves. Who knows... they might be your next victims!

What are some of your spooky costume ideas for this year? Let us know in the comments below if you dare!

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## Date Idea: Haunt Your Honey



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Halloween is the perfect day to shake things up a bit and have a date that fits the holiday! Get into the spirit with your sweetie and dress up as a couple: go for goofy, serious, or sexy. However you switch it up for this haunted holiday, take advantage of the spooky atmosphere and do something different together.

**Halloween is an exciting time of year, and we have some love and dating advice. Here are some [date ideas](#) for those of us who love feeling the spooky spirit:**

**Get scary and venture into a haunted house:** Looking for the scariest haunted houses around? Check out [America Haunts](#) or [Haunt World](#) for the freakiest attractions across America. Hold tight to your honey as you walk through enchanted rooms and possessed houses. Share some laughs over who screams first or loudest.

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**If fake horror isn't enough, find a real haunted property and check it out:** Take photographs as you walk around – you never know when you might catch a ghost on film. However, remember to make sure you aren't trespassing. You can visit this [site](#) to find some real haunted houses to tour on Halloween. You can also opt to have a Halloween picnic at a nearby graveyard and enjoy the scary scenery; just remember to always be respectful.

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**A romantic and scary movie date:** If at home, curl up together on the couch and watch some horror classics or go for the recent and new. The choice is yours. If you want to do a real Halloweeny-flick, you should watch all three Halloween films by director John Carpenter. For more suspense and intrigue and less scare, put on *The Twilight Zone*. Discuss your favorite kinds of Halloween movies, and don't forget to bake some Halloween-themed snacks to enjoy. Feeling lazy? Buy the snacks. For more thrills and chills, make your way to your local theater. If you don't want to stay home, catch the latest horror flick or thriller at the movies, then sit back and prepare for the scare-a-thon as the cinematic magic takes you and your date on a roller coaster of gut-wrenching emotions.

Halloween is such an awesome holiday! Always remember to get a little wild and have a spooky good time with your sweetie!

**Have you had a freaky date on Halloween? Share your chilling tales in the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: Embrace Each Other with a Scary Movie Marathon**





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Halloween is approaching, and it's time to get ready with a thrilling scary movie marathon, one of the many scary Halloween weekend [date ideas](#) for those who can handle it!

Boot up Netflix, head to your local movie theater, or rent movies that you've always been scared of or maybe that you love, and make a night of it with your significant other. Pop some popcorn and get ready for a few thrills and chills that'll have you jumping into the arms of the person you love – staying close is always one of those romantic and important dating tips!

## **Halloween offers the perfect time for some spooky weekend date ideas!**

If neither of you are frightened by horror movies, then make it a competition to see how many you can watch in one night without falling asleep on the couch. A great piece of [dating advice](#) is to have little competitions when you can, to keep things interesting! This challenge is sure to keep your eyes wide open until the break of dawn.

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If you and your partner are huge horror movie fans, consider playing scary movie trivia and see just how much you really know about the genre. This is a great way to bond with your sweetheart and share your common interests – plus a little competition never hurt anyone. Start your marathon on a weekend because rest assured, you may have nightmares when it's over. This could lead to the two of you waking up holding one another in the middle of the night, which is as far from scary as you can get!

**Did you watch a scary movie recently with your partner? Have any other weekend date ideas for Halloween? Let us know by commenting below!**

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## **Dating Advice: Is Trick-or-Treating with Your Love Life a Good Idea?**





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Yes, it's that time of year again. Soon we'll have legions of little devils and princesses running high on sugar, banging on our doors and willing to put on their best act in the hopes of stocking up on more sweets. Quite frankly, we love Halloween. For us, it's an opportunity to bask in the excitement of the smiling faces at our door and share some love.

**But when it comes to love, is Halloween a metaphor for what your love life has become? Could trick or treating describe the type of encounters you have with romantic partners? We have some dating advice for you.**

If you keep attracting the wrong individuals or repeating the

same mistakes in your choice of partners, you may be prey to the trickery behind this cast of characters and missing out on the treat:

**The desperate treat beggar:**

This one will keep his finger on your doorbell until you open the door... even if the lights are out! He is so needy, he'll do ANYTHING to seduce you—disguise his true self, compromise his values, lie, accept mistreatment, and more. This is a role nobody should ever take on. Disguising oneself to become love-worthy is not sustainable in a romantic relationship.

**The deceiving treat giver:**

This person appears to be nothing but giving, but she's only passing out rotten apples and stale candy. Do you know why? Because she loves the deception! She loves to cheat and oftentimes she'll pursue more than one relationship at a time. Be wary, because this person can frequently be found offering her "treats" on multiple online dating sites.

**The savvy treat seeker:**

This one has a specific strategy to her treat collecting. You'll never see her knocking on a door with limited candy supplies. She's after the big, opulent, flashy treats—the full-size chocolate bars and the like. As a result, she will completely disregard more modest offerings, even if they were lovingly handcrafted for the occasion. Such treat seekers find instant gratification, but rarely end up in a fulfilling relationship.

**The leveraging treat giver:**

This guy gets a kick from negotiating and... he never stops! "Ok kids, who's willing to count to 100 for these two candies here?" And, once you've performed it, he cranks up his request! "Alright, now do it backwards." He's the perpetual "I'll give you this if you give me that" kind of person in his relationships. The ultimate "what's in it FOR ME!" kind of guy. Even if you like the looks of his treats, the question

is, do you really need that?

If you have known one or more of these characters, we have only one piece of advice to give you: Take control of your FEAR. Identify what it is that prevents you from slamming the door on these pretenders, and start to confront it. Don't fall for the same tricks or settle for mediocre treats. Otherwise, you'll end up trick or treating a lot more than just your love life.

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## Neil Patrick Harris and Family Wear Gotham-Themed Halloween Costumes





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*How I Met Your Mother* star Neil Patrick Harris and his family dressed up for Halloween with Gotham costumes, according to [UsMagazine.com](#). Harris, husband David Burtka, and their 4-year-old twins Gideon and Harper dressed up as DC Comics characters from Gotham City. Harris captioned on Instagram, "Happy Halloween from Gotham City!!" The family celebrated with their famous friends, power couple Kelly Ripa and Mark Consuelos.

**What are some creative ways to celebrate Halloween as a family?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Halloween is the perfect time for families to come together and have fun, while enjoying the company of one another. On the actual holiday, trick-or-treating and themed parties are always the way to go. Cupid has some ways you can celebrate Halloween as a family:

**1. Jump then fall:** Take a cue from Taylor Swift's song 'Jump

Then Fall' and dive straight into the beautiful season of fall/autumn. A great way to enjoy the Halloween season with your family, is by doing fun Halloween activities! Make Halloween arts and crafts, create your costumes together, do Halloween baking and make yummy sweets, watch Halloween movies (you have the option of scary or funny) and carve and paint pumpkins together. There are so many great options for you to enjoy the festive Halloween season as a family!

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**2. Pumpkin patch:** A fantastic way to have quality family time is by going to a pumpkin patch, for the traditional act of pumpkin picking. Usually, places will offer hay rides and other fun activities along with it. There are also places to go apple picking, which fits in with the theme of fall and family fun.

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**3. Trick-or-Treat:** Just like the Aaron Carter song goes, I want candy! The classic way to enjoy Halloween with family is by going trick-or-treating. It's fun to see everyone dressed up in their costumes, and everybody likes candy. Attending parties and parades together on Halloween are also superb ways to enjoy the company of family and the holiday.

**What are some ways that you have celebrated Halloween as a family? Share your thoughts below.**

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## Our Favorite Celebrity Couple

# Halloween Costumes



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As a child, Halloween is all about trick o' treating and competing for the title of Candy Ghoul. As a single adult, Halloween means being voted best costume at your Halloween monster bash. As a couple, Halloween is about finding the perfect costumes that will showcase your partnership. And as a celebrity couple, Halloween is all about stepping out as a duo without a budget. Check out our favorite celebrity couple Halloween costumes for inspiration this All Hallows Eve:

**1. Gisele Bundchen and Tom Brady:** Lions, tigers, and...Patriots, oh my! Gisele Bundchen and Tom Brady went for a classic look last Halloween when they dressed up as Dorothy and the Cowardly Lion from the *Wizard of Oz*. Bundchen, holding a

basket with a toy Toto inside, posted an Instagram photo of the adorable couple kissing with the caption, "Having fun with my Lion last night!"

**2. Lauren Conrad and William Tell:** Here's some inspiration for you DIYers: even celebrities like to craft! Lauren Conrad created her tooth fairy costume for Halloween 2013, and her husband (then fiancé) William Tell dressed as a dentist. While Conrad didn't make her own dress for her beautiful wedding last September, she did use her DIY skills for some finer touches.

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**3. Neil Patrick Harris and David Burtka:** Neil Patrick Harris and hubby David Burtka, known for their elaborate Halloween outfits, didn't disappoint in 2013 with their Alice in Wonderland themed costumes. Harris and Burtka, dressed as Tweedledee and Tweedledum, made it a family affair when they put their three-year-old twins in Alice and White Rabbit costumes. We can't wait to see what the family dresses as this Halloween!

**4. Bryan Greenberg and Jamie Chung:** Love is all you need! At least, according to Bryan Greenberg's and Jamie Chung's Halloween costume. The actor couple, who plans to get hitched sometime in 2015, rocked out in an ensemble inspired by another famous duo: John Lennon and Yoko Ono.

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**5. Fergie and Josh Duhamel:** It's a scary holiday, so why not be just as frightening? Fergie and Josh Duhamel donned heavy face paint and creepy skeleton costumes in 2013 to celebrate the Day of the Dead. Fergie, whose great-grandmother is Mexican, and Duhamel were inspired by *Día de los Muertos*. Many famous couples, such as Kate Moss and husband Jamie Hince, also dressed up last year in matching outfits inspired by this holiday.

**6. Matthew Morrison and Renee Puente:** Quentin Tarantino would be proud of *Glee* star Matthew Morrison and his wife Renee Puente. Last week, the newlyweds dressed as characters from the cult hit, *Pulp Fiction*, for Morrison's annual Halloween (and birthday) party. Staying true to the movie, Morrison (dressed as Vincent Vega) and Puente (as Mia Wallace) even danced like their characters during an interview with *E! News*.

**What are your favorite celebrity couple Halloween costumes? Share your comments below.**

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## How to Meet A Man on Halloween





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I know. You're about to unlock the inner bad girl version of you for Halloween. Some of you love to dress up as sexy school girls. Some of you are even more rambunctious and like to dress up as a naughty nurse. Maybe you're the dominating dominatrix, the meanest witch, or the cutest little ghost a man has ever seen. That's what I love about this holiday. It allows the inner woman, that naughty version of you, to come flying out. To you, it's just staying in costume all night long.

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Halloween is also one of the most overhyped nights of the year. This year, it's coming on a Friday night. Everybody's going to want to go out and party, have fun, and meet someone before the cold winter settles in, before you really need a broomstick to fly you down to Florida to warm your hooked nose and evil brew.

So what is a woman to do to meet a man on Halloween? It's

simple. It's not *you* who's flirting; it's the naughty little witch. Perhaps it's the dirty schoolgirl, the cute little ghost, or the Disney princess. Halloween gives you the opportunity to be audacious like never before, to spend the night approaching men. It's the only night of the year when you can be bold beyond belief and do things you normally wouldn't – because it's not really you doing it. It's the character you're playing.

If you really want to meet a man on Halloween, the best thing to do is comment on his costume. Whether it's creative, sexy, or funny, just say something nice to him. This is your chance to practice flirting skills you don't use on a daily basis. It gives you an opportunity to work on your conversation skills and be playful. Halloween is just another day. You can use those same skills and approaches on men on a regular basis, but tonight, it'll be even more fun.

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You might even walk around with a bag of candy, giving out Hershey's kisses to men. Or you can walk around with a little pumpkin and have men fill your basket. Halloween is an opportunity to get outside yourself. Get over the self-conscious feelings and get into a character you always wanted to be. It gives you an opportunity to boldly approach a really sexy guy...because it's not really you saying hello!

So dress up, flirt, and stay in character. When the conversation gets good, jump out of character so he can see the real, relaxed version of you. That's all you need to do to meet a man on Halloween.

*For more articles from David Wygant, click [here](#).*

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# 5 Celebrity Couples Who Dress Up For Halloween



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Halloween is tomorrow, and already the celebrities are out and about donning a wide range of crafty costumes as they take to the streets. From classic Disney characters to trendy media ensembles, it seems like this spooky season will be a creative one for the A-list community. There are a few celebrity couples that always give their all for this haunted holiday, so we are counting down the top five celebrity couples who dress up, and party down for Halloween:

**1. Fergie and Josh Duhamel:** This couple's rocky past is long behind them as they currently stand strong and are one of the

cutest little families. The duo has pulled off some spectacular couple's costumes in the past, so we expect nothing less in 2014. Couple costume prediction: weather and the weather man (Fergie would totally rock the wind-blown look and Josh could definitely bring the corny).

**2. Neil Patrick Harris and David Burtka:** This couple always brings their A-game for trick-or-treating. They like to keep it all in the family with their adorable twins in tow. Couple costume prediction: Something a-la The Wizard of Oz or possible A Midsummer Night's Dream. We expect that the pair will stay in with the twins for candy and family fun, and we're hoping for something as good as their Peter Pan foursome a few Halloweens back. In honor of Neil's recent hosting gig, it's bound to be an academy award winning movie cast.

**3. Hugh Hefner and Crystal Harris:** On the 31st, we tend to see a lot of "bunnies" attending parties and hitting the clubs. But we are excited to see what the real household members of the playboy mansion will wear this year. Couple costume prediction: Romeo and Juliet. There hasn't been a great deal of consistency in the past from the playboy posy, so we predict Crystal and Hugh will pick a famous couple from literature.

**4. Cindy Crawford and Rande Gerber:** According to *UsMagazine.com*, Crawford and Gerber have already gotten this Halloween party started. The couple threw it back with a convincing couple costume as Cher and Gregg Allman. We give it a groovy two thumbs up!

**5. Lauren Conrad and William Tell:** These newlyweds have always solidified their spot for cutest couple even when they're not in costume. Whether tooth fairy and dentist or Mary Poppins and Bert the chimney sweep, LC and Tell can pull off anything! Couple costume prediction: Prince Charming and Cinderella...Because the shoe just fits.

Have a celeb couple you love, want to predict their costume?  
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# Screwing the Rules Video Dating Tips: Dress Up for Your Man



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In this week's [dating advice](#) video, relationship expert and E!'s *Famously Single* dating coach, [Laurel House](#) talks about how Halloween can influence your time spent between the sheets with your partner. "Halloween is a great excuse to dress up, to play a role, to be something a little different, to be edgier, to be sexier, to be more demure, to be more discreet, to be dangerous," she shares. This idea extends beyond what you wear to that Halloween party too. If you're in a serious relationship, this is a great opportunity to dress up in a costume for just your man to see. Even if your chemistry is still off the charts, "changing it up is always a good idea," House explains. "It's not just about being scary or having crazy teeth. It's about fulfilling fantasies."

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Cupid wants to know: What's your favorite Halloween costume – both in and out of the bedroom?

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# Best Celebrity-Inspired Halloween Candy Choices



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Each year, October 31st brings with it a chance to carve the face of KISS frontman Gene Simmons in your pumpkin, dress up as a sexy version of Jasmine from *Aladdin*, dance to the “Monster Mash” at a masquerade with your honey and, most importantly, stuff your face with as much sugary goodness as you can possibly muster. Even though you’ll most likely be clutching your aching stomach the next morning, Halloween and candy are inseparable, because you simply can’t have one without the other.

Hollywood isn’t innocent either when it comes to indulging in candy on All Hallows’ Eve. Celebrities may stay in shape

thanks to strict diets, but everyone has been known to splurge once in a while. In fact, places like Dylan's Candy in New York City honor those celebrity sugar binges by dedicating a whole wall of treats to all of their favorites. Here are five candies that have been officially endorsed (at least verbally) by some of your favorite Tinseltown hotshots:

**1. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups:** Neil Patrick Harris has a sweet tooth along with his funny bone. The "Gone Girl" star told *Entertainment Weekly* that the peanut buttery sweet is his favorite movie theater snack. "They are like the crack cocaine of the candy world," said Harris.

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**2. Hi-Chews:** Ryan Gosling, according to an interview with *Esquire*, has a candy obsession and "speaks of it the way rich men discuss wine." While Gosling loves many forms of goodies (excluding anything chocolate), he is particularly partial to Hi-Chews. "It's the candy that never quits on you," says Gosling.

**3. Swedish Fish:** While Justin Bieber is known for his love of Sour Patch Kids, the superstar has had a change of heart. Bieber told the *Montreal Gazette* that he is done with his addiction. According to Bieber, his fans kept bringing him the candy to his shows, "so I kept eating them and now, if I eat another Sour Patch Kid, I'm probably going to just throw up." He now sticks to Swedish Fish when he's in the U.S. and Big Foot gummies when he's in Canada.

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**4. Sugar Daddies:** Khloe Kardashian favors Sugar Daddies, according to Wonderwall, and the reason behind it only partly has to do with its taste. She says the hard candy reminds her of her dad because he loved Sugar Daddies. "I just love anything bad for you. Anything bad is good," says Kardashian.

**5. UNREAL Candy:** Not every celebrity's sweet tooth has to be unhealthy. According to Yahoo!, celebrities such as Tom Brady, Giselle Bundchen, Twitter founder Jack Dorsey and Leonardo DiCaprio are endorsing this "junk-free" brand, which offers alternatives to traditional treats. In a statement DiCaprio said, "By working together to better understand the health of both people and the environment, we can produce healthier food that will benefit large populations of people while minimizing our impact on the planet."

Whether you prefer sweet, sour or chocolaty varieties of candy in your trick-or-treat sack, and whether you're an accountant or a movie star, sugary treats have always been a staple on Halloween.

**With that in mind, what's your favorite candy, and why? Share your thoughts below.**

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## 10 Fun Halloween Date Ideas





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Halloween is just around the corner. This spooky holiday can make for one of the best and most fun date nights for you and your beau. How can it not be fun when you're able to get scared with your partner, have an arm to squeeze and a place to bury your face when you're too afraid to look? Cupid is here with 10 exciting and – maybe a bit frightening – date ideas to help you run into your partner's arms this Halloween:

**1. Pick out costumes together:** You are never too old to dress up for Halloween. Whether it's two objects that go together like salt and pepper, or an infamous duo like Barbie and Ken, bonding and spending time with your partner in your costumes will be entertaining enough.

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**2. Decorate for Halloween:** There is no better way to get in the Halloween spirit than by decorating your house inside and out. Spend a day with your partner making DIY crafts and finding the most frightening decorations to hang all around

your home.

**3. Plan a murder mystery dinner party:** Host a murder mystery dinner party with your partner that your guests will never forget. Start by assigning all of your guests a role to play, one of which is the murderer. During the course of the party, your guests will try to figure out is the mystery. Not only will your party be unique, but it will be a fun way to get into the Halloween spirit with your partner and your friends.

**4. Scary movie marathon:** What better way to get comfy and cozy with your partner than by watching a scary movie? Take a night and pick out a slew of movies that you and your date will enjoy. Try watching an extra scary movie like 'Saw,' and if that's not your thing, find a more "feel good" Halloween movie like 'Hocus Pocus.'

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**5. Take a haunted house tour:** Many cities across the country are now releasing the scariest haunted houses in your area. Go with your partner on a house tour and have a reason to cling onto each other all night.

**6. Tell scary stories by a campfire:** Break out the hot chocolate or adult beverage and cozy up by a campfire with your date and friends. Tell your favorite scary ghost stories; hopefully everyone will move a bit closer to their dates.

**7. Carve pumpkins:** Carving pumpkins has been a Halloween tradition for decades. Start by going to the pumpkin patch with your date and picking out the best pumpkins you see. From there, enjoy a nice evening relaxing and having fun carving your pumpkins in whichever way you like.

**8. Go to a local amusement park:** During the month of October, many amusement parks have Halloween-themed nights that can be great scary dates for you and your partner. Whether you want to just enjoy the rides in the romantic moonlight or actually

get scared by the frightening decorations of the park, it will be a night to remember.

**9. Go on a picnic in a graveyard:** Get your blankets and food ready, and go on a picnic with your date in a graveyard. This frightening date will be sure to get you ready for October 31st.

**10. Get lost in a corn maze:** Many local farms put on a haunted house-themed maze where people are just waiting to pop out at you. This haunted evening gives you and your date the perfect opportunity to jump into each other's arms.

**Cupid wants to know: what did you and your partner do last Halloween? Tell us in the comments below!**

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## Celebrities Share Their 'Spook-tacular' Family Halloween Plans





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With Halloween just around the corner, many celebrity couples are getting ready to have some festive fun with their little ones! In fact, some celebrity parents are eagerly awaiting their tiny tots' first Halloween experiences. From finding the perfect family costumes to planning an exciting ghoulish outing, *Celebrity Baby Scoop* asked some of our favorite families about their plans for ringing in this spook-tacular holiday.

Read on to find out what a few celebrities are doing for Halloween!

*Giuliana and Bill* reality stars, Bill and Giuliana Rancic, recently celebrated their son Duke's first birthday, and now, they're excited to plan his first Halloween experience. "That's Giuliana. She is big into the holidays and things like that," says Bill regarding their Halloween festivities. "She is already planning out his Halloween costume, so stay tuned."

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Backstreet Boys star A.J. McLean will be home to celebrate Halloween with his 11-month-old daughter Ava and wife. The singer shares his potential family costume ideas: "We all call each other monkey, so we might be a family of monkeys. I also thought it would be cool if I was Mario, my wife was Princess Peach, and my daughter was Toad from the Mario Bros [laughs]. What I really want to do is be Jack, Sally, and Zero from the *Nightmare Before Christmas*. My wife is a hair stylist and a makeup artist, so she would hook us up perfectly."

*Dancing with the Stars* co-host Brooke Burke-Charvet and husband David Charvet look forward to all of the family fun that comes with decorating and picking costumes for their four kids: Neriah, 13, Sierra, 11, Rain, 6, and Shaya, 5. "We love Halloween – it is action packed with my brood of six," she shares. "We're in the process of decorating our house right now. Shaya wants to be a ninja; Rain wants to be a vampire; Neriah will be Minnie Mouse; and Sierra has a handmade Sponge Bob costume – and of course, it'll all probably change the day before."

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Actor and new dad Tom Arnold is another celebrity looking to ring in his son Jaxson's first Halloween. "It's funny, my wife was at baby class last night, and they apparently have Halloween," says the actor. "She pulled up all these costumes on the Internet and got ecstatic about dressing Jaxson up for Halloween."

"For many years, we tried to have a baby and would always get sad when trick-or-treaters stopped by our house. We wished we could be out there too," he adds. "This year is going to be so great. Even though our son is going to be very small and won't

remember it, it will be such a wonderful experience.”

For the rest of the interview go to, [www.celebritybabyscoop.com/2013/10/23/celebrity-families-halloween](http://www.celebritybabyscoop.com/2013/10/23/celebrity-families-halloween)

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## What Your Halloween Costume Says About You



By [Jared Sais](#)

Halloween: To some, it's a day of fear and horror; to others, it's a day to trick or treat; and to even more, it's a day to

dress up and just have fun. Since this special celebration is upon us next week, I wanted to analyze what your costume choice says about you, so below, I looked at eight popular outfits. Proceed with caution; after all, sometimes, the truth is the scariest part.

**1. Black cat (or other animals):** It's no secret that you're playful and fun to be around. You're also the alpha in your group of friends and can be a bit controlling, though it's only because you know what you like and what works best for you. You can be reserved and tough on the outside, but you're very vulnerable, caring, and sweet on the inside. You're intuitive by nature and pick up on the vibes of other people – it's like your sixth sense. Finally, you're passionate and tend to see the world as me versus them.

When it comes to love, you need someone who is just as playful as you. You want a boyfriend or girlfriend who has a sense of humor but can be serious when necessary, someone who can take control. For you, the chase is just as fun as being in a relationship.

**Your best costume matches include:** a police officer, firefighter, hero, or royalty.

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**2. Royalty, including an evil queen:** You know your worth when it comes to love and friendship. You're good at keeping yourself organized, and you're very charming. Even though you're always willing to help others, people tend to want to help you just as much. You're gentle and elegant. Plus, you have a wonderful sense of style. You have many admirers – not only in love but also at the workplace. You also strive for greatness, and your effort is usually unmatched.

You need a man that not only treats you like a princess but also keeps you grounded (because, let's face it, sometimes,

your ego can get out of control). The only way for you to really be happy is to be spoiled every day, which isn't a bad thing. You also need someone who matches your high intellect level and someone who can take control when you don't want to. You walk the walk and talk the talk, and your partner needs to fit the role just as much as you do.

**Your best costume matches include:** royalty, a hero, or a black cat.

**3. Police officer and firefighter:** You have a fire in your eyes. You're strong, caring and sometimes overconfident. You're extremely protective of your friends and family, and you won't let anything happen to them. Sometimes, you even put your loved ones before yourself. You're demanding of others but can phrase your thoughts and words in a strategic manner to make sure you don't hurt anybody's feelings. You're also sensual and have high moral standards.

For you, it's important that your partner is just as passionate as you. Things can get hot and steamy when you find the right person. Sometimes, though, too much of this passion can backfire, and arguments can form.

**Your best costume matches include:** a police officer, firefighter, someone in the military, a vampire, a hero, or any other costume that represents power and authority.

**4. Native American or Eskimo:** You're sensitive, caring, and calm. When you truly want something, you go after it, working day in and out to reach your goal. You're very selective of who's in your life, and the people within your circle are more like family than friends. You can sometimes be too controlling of yourself and your emotions, but you're very in touch with your sensitive side.

Your perfect relationship is with someone you can count on and respect, someone you know will remain loyal to you. Your love needs to be in touch with himself and his feelings. Because of

your personality, you have the chance to have one of the most meaningful and passionate relationships out there.

**Your best costume matches include:** a 60's flower child, DIY outfit, or a vampire.

**5. Burlesque dancer, Geisha or vampire:** Sexy is your middle name! You're very aware of your own body and know what looks good on you. Plus, you're confident, ambitious, and passionate. You encourage others to follow your lead, and men are constantly noticing you. You're more dominant than most people, and you want a partner who will take care of you for a change. Still, you're a planner: You're the one who usually takes action or makes plans for your friends.

Passionate, sensual, and sincere – these are the three main characteristics you want in a lover. You have a strong understanding of who you are; what matters to you is finding a partner in crime. It's okay if they don't know exactly what they want, just as long as they're willing to figure it out. You like someone who can be dominant one day and give you power the next day. It's also important that your significant other is powerful and sexual.

**Your best costume matches include:** a vampire or hero costume.

**6. 60's flower child:** The Woodstock generation paved the way for one of the most iconic times in American history. Though we live in 2013, it seems like the 60's never go out of style. The music still echoes throughout the bars, clubs, and malls, and on this holiday, the costume of choice for many folks is hippy gear. Your parents may have been hippies and taught you an appreciation of the culture. You're laid back, and people like to be with you because of your relaxing vibe. You're a free spirit who loves the thrill of life. You have spunk and don't always play by the rules. You know life is fun, and there is no better day than Halloween to live it up!

Your best match is sensitive, caring, and sweet. You need

someone you can bring home to your family but who is still dangerous and thrilling. You want a partner who enjoys life and doesn't always follow the rules. Your significant other is your best friend, and you're okay with spending most of your time with this person. Most importantly, they need to be open to new adventures.

**Your best costume matches include:** a Native American, Eskimo, 60's flower child, or hippy, as there should be humbleness and earth colors in the outfit.

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**7. Hero:** Whether you're Wonder Woman, Mario or Zelda, if you're portraying a hero, your personality is one of strong character. You're the first to take action; you're an outgoing leader, and you never shy away from expressing your feelings. You believe that love conquers all, that good always prevails over evil, and happy endings do come true.

You need a hopeless romantic or a daydreamer who embraces the magic of life just like you. You want to take over the world, and though you don't need a partner to do it, it's much better with someone by your side. Your significant other should be your rock, someone you can rely on when life gets tough.

**Your best costume matches include:** anything that relates to fantasy and heroics, like another hero, royalty, black cat, or vampire.

**8. DIY:** Do-it-yourself costumes can come in all prices – from a quick trip to the dollar store to a full-on makeover. I've seen a girl become a very sexy Sriracha hot sauce by wearing a red shirt with a Rooster taped on it and rolling up a green piece of paper into a cone shape and placing it on her head. If you're a DIY guy or gal, you like to take things into your own hands. You're extremely crafty and don't mind taking the time to put your skills the test. You have a fun personality and want people to respect the work you put into making your

creativity come to life.

Your creative ability is priceless, and your perfect match is someone who has his own creative spark but can also be your muse. You need someone who lets your dreams take form; instead of bringing you back to reality, they help you soar higher than the birds. Most important, they inspire you.

**Your best costume matches include:** a DIY costume like you or someone dressed as a hero, vampire, hippy, or Native American.

**Tell us about your favorite partner costumes in the comments below!**

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## Top 10 Halloween Treats For Your Mate That Won't Ruin Their Waistline





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y [Whitney Johnson](#)

Whether you're a kid who anxiously anticipates trick or treating each year or an adult who can't wait to pick out a new Halloween costume, All Hallow's Eve is all about indulging. Of course, that doesn't mean you have to totally let yourself go in order to truly enjoy this spooky night. If you and your sweetie want to celebrate *without* feeling guilty, think outside the typical bag of candy and check out the 10 treats below:

**1. Pumpkin spice latte:** Once the leaves start to fall, it's hard to resist a pumpkin spice latte from your local coffee shop. Instead of sipping on this high-calorie drink, try making one at home: Heat up canned pumpkin, a bit of milk, some cinnamon and a pinch of pumpkin spice in a sauce pan, and add the mixture to your usual cup of coffee. Then, head outside and enjoy your warm treat with your partner on a blustery fall day.

**2. Caramel apple:** This old standby is sure to satisfy your sweet tooth while also providing you with a healthy snack

option. After all, an apple a day keeps the doctor away!

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**3. Caramel grapes:** For a smaller version of the treat above, why not try caramel grapes? Poke toothpicks into red grapes and dip them in melted caramel followed by crushed nuts. With these mini concoctions, you and your significant other will be happy with a just a taste of something sweet.

**4. Frozen “boo”-nana pops:** Perfect for kids and adults alike, these homemade frozen treats are sure to please. Cut one medium banana into four quarters lengthwise. Insert a Popsicle stick into each piece and freeze on a wax paper-lined cookie sheet. Melt some white chocolate in a coffee mug, and dip the frozen bananas in, one at a time. Quickly add chocolate chip eyes before the white chocolate hardens. BOO!

**5. Fancy popcorn:** This date night staple, whether you’re at home or at the movie theater, is a healthy option (as long as you don’t slather it in butter), and there are simple ways to make it even more delicious. Add some cinnamon and Splenda for a hint of sweetness or some Parmesan cheese and garlic pepper for something savory.

**6. Pumpkin Caipirinha:** Our list wouldn’t be complete without a few Halloween cocktails! For a low-cal drink, mix half of a lime, 1 ½ ounces of pumpkin puree, a pinch of nutmeg, a few ice cubes, ½ ounce of agave nectar, and 1 ½ ounces of Cachaca.

**7. Sangria:** For another healthy Halloween sipper, make blood red fruit sangria, using strawberries, cherries, raspberries, lemons, limes, oranges, and red delicious apples with red wine, brandy, and grape juice to give it the perfect orange color. Enjoy!

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**8. S'mores:** Light up the fire and put it to good use! Not only will it put you and your beau in a romantic mood, but it'll give you a tasty treat to boot. Make this classic dessert sandwich out of two low-fat graham crackers, a marshmallow, and a piece of dark chocolate (which is good for your heart).

**9. Toasted pumpkin seeds:** If you're anything like the staff at CupidsPulse.com, we can't get enough pumpkin. A simple way to enjoy this fall fixture is to toast the seeds – we love these three recipes.

**10. Spooky trail mix:** Add some candy corns to your usual trail mix, and you'll get a dose of nutrients, thanks to the nuts and dried fruit, as well as a hint of Halloween with the holiday candy staple.

**Tell us: What's your favorite healthy Halloween treat?**

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## **'Glee' Star Matthew Morrison and Girlfriend Dress as Britney and JT for Halloween**





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*Glee* star Matthew Morrison and girlfriend, Renee Puente, chose retro Justin Timberlake and Britney Spears as their couple costume this Halloween, reports [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Though the celebrity pop duo split ages ago, Morrison and Puente reminisced about the musical media pair during JT's 'N Sync days and Britney's python charming circa 2001. Morrison, who portrays the coach of a high school glee club on TV, paid tribute to these 90s musical icons for his third annual birthday/Halloween party on Sunday. Morrison captured the look with a head and arm bandana, tinted sunglasses, a blousy white shirt, a spiky hooded vest, fingerless gloves and a hands-free microphone. Puente's outfit recalled the tiny green top and blue hot pants from Britney's "Slave 4 U" outfit, complete with a fake snake.

**What are three couples costumes you can wear for Halloween?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Don't waste time fretting over costume ideas. Couples outfits

can seem daunting, but they can easily come together with the right vision. Inspiration is within your grasp! Read these methods to find a fitting costume for you and your significant other.

**1. Puns:** Literally being “apples and oranges” will get you some groans, but costumes that work together is a cute Halloween option. Try to physically represent common phrases, like dressing as Justin Bieber and Swag, which could be a treasure chest of hair products. Sound out names or words to get other ideas, like the celebrity couple costume: “Sunny” and “Chair.”

**2. Pick a Disney movie:** This is a great couples costume because Disney movies have replaced any fairy tale imagery we had as children. Try the classic couples: John Smith/Pocahontas, Aladin/Jasmine, Lilo/Stitch, etc. If you do *Mulan*, I’d choose Mushu or the evil Hun over Captain Li Shang.

**3. Suit and Dress:** For last minute costume scavengers, you’ll never have an easier time than if you build a couples costume from your own wardrobe. JFK with Marilyn or Jackie is pretty quick to throw together. *Mad Men*, celebrity couples, and British royalty can save you at zero hour using just a suit and dress.

**What great couples Halloween costumes have you seen? Share your experiences below!**

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# Haunted House



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Don't let the kids fool you: Halloween is a time for grown-ups, too. Even though adults approach this day differently, there is no excuse for us to restrict our inner child to dormancy. Don't let yourself and your sweetheart yawn yourselves into a stupor at another monotonous Halloween cocktail party. Readjust your weekend plans for some scary, romantic excitement. Grab your honey and head to the nearest Haunted House.

Haunted Houses, mind you, are more than just a bunch of scary rooms. There are hired actors to guide you along the journey to provide an experience that is sure to bring you into a horrifying, almost-too-real adventure. Rural areas are known

to feature haunted hayrides, forest walks, or even creepy farm houses. Those couples who are closer to urban areas will be pleased to find huge, multiple floor walk-up living nightmares. Take to Google and search out the best-reviewed offerings in your area. Wear something comfortable, because if this Haunted House is worth the trip, you two will be snuggling – or clinging – to each other.

The hired actors for these productions are an absolute riot. In some Haunted Houses, you might find yourself in a room full of vampires trying to seduce you and your man. You'll make it out alive, and maybe even a little flattered!

**Where is the scariest haunted house you've ever been to? Let us know below.**

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## **Halloween Weddings: Fab or Frightening?**





By GalTime Lead Ambassador, Yakima/Tri-Cities, Jenny Tiegs, for GalTime.com

A bridal party dressed as fairies and pirates? Freshly carved pumpkin centerpieces? Frankenstein groom and a equally frightening bride? A hand-tied bouquet crawling with rhinestone spiders? Halloween weddings are a real thing, and it might be the theme of your upcoming nuptials.

We checked in with a Nadia Digilov, author of best-selling wedding book, *Getting Married in New York*, to find out how to plan an All Hallow's Eve affair that's more treat than trick.

"A wedding is a celebration of a marriage between a couple and therefore should not be confused with a tacky Halloween party," Digilov said. Instead, Digilov encourages the couple to infuse the holiday spirit with subtle touches that can add the aura of mystery and romance to the wedding day.

"Anytime I tell people I had a Halloween wedding, they always kind of laugh," explains newlywed of two years and teacher Meghan Robison.

So why would she or anyone else set a wedding date of October 31?

“Halloween has long been a favorite in my family,” explains teacher and Halloween newlywed Meghan Robison. “We decorate our houses for Halloween the way most people would decorate for Christmas. We both have Halloween trees – mine was actually a wedding gift from my parents. Halloween is non-stressful, involves no gift-giving or expectations, and it lets creativity and magical imagination run wild!”

To keep it all organized (and not kitschy), Robison organized her ideas on inspiration boards (remember how we did this pre-Pinterest?) and kept on track with a binder so she or a vendor weren’t tempted to get too crazy.

This is the trick with a Halloween wedding: Celebrating the holiday and the marriage without crossing the line into tacky territory. Of course, you’ll want a bit of “wow” – that’s what Halloween is all about. Digilov suggests doing this while still keeping the event elegant.

Here’s what our wedding expert Digilov and holiday-enthusiast Robison advise to making the event gorgeous, not ghastly.

**Too freaky:** Anything plastic! Say no to the fake Halloween pumpkins, skeleton heads, jewelry and fangs, Digilov says. Also, no masks or hiring actors to wear monster costumes and scare your guests as they make their way to the bathroom. No one wants to be responsible for sending Aunt Barbara to the hospital after a big fright. Also be mindful of children who might be attending as the line between imaginary and real is hard to decipher for a young child (and even some adults after a few cocktails).

**Fabulous:** Robison set the stage with vendors and friends by referring to the event as “masquerade” theme and being clear there would be no “blood, guts or gore” (full disclosure: her bridal party did don masks and her parents did don Dracula

teeth as the bride and groom left the ceremony). These details made the day, she says, without going full-throttle Halloween.

Use textures, colors and lighting to enhance your wedding. When picking fabrics, think luxurious like velvet and silk. When accenting with colors, use rich and deep tones like reds, purples, golds, and bronze. Lighting is also very important and can be used to create a mysterious ambiance. Dimmed lighting is perfect when using candelabras, fireplaces and antique looking lanterns. Digilov reminds brides and grooms that you want your guests to be intrigued and looking forward to the mystery of what is going to happen next, not looking over their shoulder with fear and anxiety.

**Start planning:** If your wedding is next year, don't rush to buy up everything Halloween at the craft store now. Since you'll be skipping plastic skulls, there's no need to panic about the season passing while you plan. Elegant ways to infuse Halloween, as Digilov suggests below, are available year-round.

**Here are some ideas to infuse Halloween into your wedding day:**

**Mysterious Venue.** Let the venue dictate the ambiance. Do you live in an area with historical building or a place that is rumored to be haunted? These physical structures lend themselves to immediately giving your wedding that spooky feel.

**Mood Lighting.** The lighting should be dim. Sources for lighting should include candles, either placed in candelabras, in the fire place or safely on the table. If your venue has a working fireplace, building a real fire is also a perfect way to create ambiance and light, not to mention some heat on a cold, fall night. Keep your eye open for antique looking lanterns to use with candles as well. Robison's loved ones danced in a hauntingly dim hall lit by moons, stars and tiny votives that dangled from the chandelier.

**Sumptuous Colors.** Veer away from bright orange and black paired together. Consider golds, dark purples, black and rich chocolate to convey the feeling of the season, not just pumpkins. While the flower girls in Robison's ceremony donned bright orange dresses and fairy wings, the adults were swathed in black and eggplant, with rhinestone pins to class up the creep-factor.

**Signature Cocktail.** Pour your theme into bright orange, spicy cocktails crawling with sugar-spider garnish and served next to bowls of eyeball candy. The bar can be a little more outrageous than other areas where guests dine, dance and watch the couple take their vows. Robison chose smoking green and purple beverages and treated guests to a late-night candy bar with spiced pumpkin cakes and cinnamon donuts.

**Surprising Guests.** Instead of providing guests with a program outlining what is happening next and in what order, Digilov says to find a way to reveal what is next to your guests shortly before it happens. By doing this, you are keeping your guests in anticipation mode. For an example, instead of advising everyone of a Halloween theme wedding when sending out the invites, surprise the guests as soon as they arrive by having staff at the entrance hand out small lanterns to each guest/couple to carry in order to "lead the way" into the ceremony room. As guests wait for the wedding to start, provide them with a short piece of paper on their chair that explains that they just walked through a haunted hallway or provide them with a scary story about the venue to get them in the mood. After the ceremony and upon arrival at the reception, have entrance staff provide guests with masquerade masks, instead of encouraging your guests to wear costumes. When the guest walk in, they will see lighting and decorations that hint at Halloween, but won't feel the need to use a tablecloth as a ghost costume.

"I know people were skeptical about the theme from the beginning," Robison admits. "I think they were...blown away by

how off-base they were. It was like a magical fairytale dreamland! People still tell me how much fun it was and how much they would love to do it all over again! I would do it over again in a heartbeat.”

I having glittery pumpkins rather than bouquets of roses makes your heart skip a beat, then do what makes you happy, Digilov says. It’s always important to represent yourselves as a couple at your wedding, but also wise to make sure you’re not cringeing at your wedding photo five or ten years down the road.

A beautiful fall background with hints of orange, black and gold is stunning and timeless. A plastic skeleton hanging from the rafters and you with spider webs and fake blood standing next to a ghost groom? Not so much.

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## Celebrity Kids Go Trick-Or-Treating





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It's Halloween in Hollywood! Could you imagine the likes of [celebrity kids](#) like Shiloh Jolie-Pitt or Honor Warren coming to your front door on this spooky night? For some lucky neighbors, that's just what happened last year. This week, we're taking a look at five celebrity couples that love to go trick-or-treating with their tots in their swanky neighborhoods.

## Celebrity Kids That Trick-or-Treat

1. **Angelina Jolie and [Brad Pitt](#):** Yo Gabba Gabba! [RadarOnline](#) caught Brangelina and their brood trick-or-treating in the Los Angeles area on Halloween night last year. Pitt looked hilarious dressed up as DJ Lance Rock from the kids TV show *Yo Gabba Gabba!* His celebrity love went as the walking dead, while Maddox was a dead army soldier, Zahara was Batgirl, and Shiloh was a jet fighter.

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2. **[Jessica Alba](#) and Cash Warren:** This married celebrity couple

got festive with their two daughters, Honor and Haven. Dressed in costumes, the family of four were seen trick-or-treating in their Pacific Palisades neighborhood. Warren looked great as Superman, while Alba wore a cute cat outfit. Honor was the one who stole the show, though, in her Princess Ariel costume.

**3. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick:** Twin sisters Tabitha and Loretta looked absolutely adorable in their Halloween costumes last year as they headed out trick-or-treating in New York City's West Village. The adorable tots were joined by big brother James Wilkie – dressed as Finn from *Adventure Time* – and their dad. Unfortunately, Parker was not with the festive group.

**Related Link:** [Our Favorite Celebrity Couple Halloween Costumes](#)

**4. Deborra-Lee Furness and Hugh Jackman:** Ava Jackman was spotted with her mom in New York City last year. The adorable daughter of the *Wolverine* actor dressed up as a squirrel as she went trick-or-treating in their Manhattan neighborhood. Meanwhile, Jackman and big brother Oscar were spotted collecting candy with a group of friends.

**5. Naomi Watts and Liev Schreiber:** Watts and Schreiber (we assume it was him under there!) got into the spirit last Halloween night, dressing up as they headed out for some trick-or-treating in New York City with their sons Sasha and Kai. The week before their big night out, Watts admitted that her boys were still deliberating over their costumes, saying, "They're very into it this year. We've got kings. We've got dragons. We've got turtles. We've got policemen. They're all over the place."

*To read more about these celebrity kids and families during their spooky escapades, you can read the full article at [CelebrityBabyScoop.com](#).*

**Which celebs would you like to see at your door this Halloween? Tell us below.**

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# Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez Enjoy a Spooky Sunday



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It looks like Justin Bieber and girlfriend Selena Gomez have gotten a head start on celebrating Halloween this year, according to [People](#). The couple, along with a few friends, was given a personal tour of the Goretorium on Sunday in Las Vegas. Eli Roth, the venue's creator, guided the group through the multi-level horror labyrinth. Their spooky adventure started in the lobby of the Delmont Hotel and ended in the Goretorium retail shop. Bieber appeared to be feeling good, compared to the previous night when he became sick on stage

before thousands of adoring fans.

**What are some things to do as a couple around Halloween?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Traditionally, Halloween is seen as a holiday for the kids. However, it is also a perfect opportunity for you and your partner to have child-like fun together. By dressing in costumes, you two are able to innocently pretend you are someone else, which is a game you may want to repeat throughout the year. To be like a kid again with your mate, here are a few ideas:

**1. Corn maze:** Attending a corn maze with your mate can be a romantic adventure. No need to bring a flashlight, especially if it becomes dark, so the two of you can get "lost" together. Some things you will need to bring to make it extra nice are hot cocoa in a thermos and a sweater or jacket to stay warm.

**2. Pumpkin shopping:** Shopping for pumpkins together at a local pumpkin patch can be a great bonding moment and lots of fun. You have the option of either choosing one pumpkin to carve together or multiple ones to make a contest out of it. Then, you two can dry the seeds in the oven and enjoy them, cuddling while watching a scary movie.

**3. Attend a costume party:** Costume parties are almost always a blast and going with your partner in a couples theme only adds to the fun. If you want to put a spin on it this year, try going to the party separately so that you both will not know what the other one is dressed as. Then, see the surprise on each other's face as you two reveal your costumes to each other at the party.

**How did you and your partner celebrate Halloween? Scare us with the details below.**

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# Best Celebrity-Couple Costumes for Halloween



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There are so many fun factors about Halloween. First, there are the pumpkins: pumpkin carving, pumpkin patches, pumpkin pie – and an annual viewing of the TV show, *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*. Next, you can't forget candy, like Brach's candy corn, which are only available seasonally in the autumn, making them a particularly delicious and coveted treat. Then, there's all that scary stuff: haunted houses, witches, goblins and ghouls – boo! And finally, perhaps the best part is the costumes – for one day out of the year, you

get to be anyone you want to be, celebrities included.

For anyone looking for a little romance on a holiday that's typically filled with fright, you're in luck! Here's a list of celebrity couples whose looks can be transformed into costumes. One of them may be the perfect fit for you and your partner.

**1. Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez:** For the teeny-boppers out there – or anyone hoping to feel a bit younger for an evening – the prince and princess of pop make a very suitable duo. For Bieber, any guy with longer locks can sweep his bangs to the side, and any boy with a shorter 'do can simply throw on a sideways Yankees hat. Add a pair of Ray-Ban Wayfarers (dark lenses not necessary), jeans, and a hoodie, and you're set! For Gomez, you can rock a casual but glam look: skinny jeans, a flowing tank top, flats, hoop earrings, and wavy hair. If you really want to channel these two lovebirds, PDA is highly encouraged.

**Related Link:** [Justin Bieber Plans 'Titantic' Date For Girlfriend Selena Gomez](#)

**2. Katy Perry and Russell Brand:** This eccentric and oh-so-in-love couple is an ideal choice for anyone looking to get a little crazy this Halloween. Perry has donned a number of hair colors and styles over the years, so take your pick: bubble-gum pink or bright blue, jet black, or her most recent, honey-hued blonde. As for outfits, anything is fair game, even that sassy and sparkly Smurfette dress that's hiding in your closet. For Brand, the look is quite low-key: a pair of skinny jeans and a tight (and low-cut) t-shirt, along with unbrushed and knotted hair, some stubble, and a bit of guyliner. Oh, and don't forget the British accent.

**3. Prince William and Princess Catherine:** Their wedding may have been months ago, but people are still talking about these newlyweds, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. Princess

Catherine has taken the fashion world by storm with her chic and totally relatable style, making her the ultimate princess to emulate on this costume-filled holiday. To truly stand out, opt for their wedding look: your man can wear an outfit that resembles Prince William's Irish Guards' red military uniform, while you can get glamorous in a lacy and flowing white gown, a beautiful sapphire (faux) engagement ring, and a bouquet of flowers. Complete the look with a tiara, of course.

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**4. Blair Waldorf and Chuck Bass:** Okay, okay – so they may not be a *real* celebrity couple, but they've certainly made their mark as the "it couple" in the *Gossip Girl*–*World* of the Upper East Side. To imitate this high-society pair, girls should pull together their most designer-drenched look. Choose from high school Waldorf, who wouldn't have been caught dead without her preppy headband, or the now college-aged fashionista, who has adopted a more grown-up dress code – just be sure to accessorize accordingly. As for Bass, a guy only needs a three-piece suit, bow tie, pocket square, and all the charm that he can muster.

**Cupid wants to know: Who do you want to be for Halloween?**