

Elizabeth Smart Ties the Knot in Hawaii 9 Years After Kidnapping



Kidnap victim

Elizabeth Smart has beaten the odds once again— this time by planning a wedding in record time. Smart, 24, and Matthew Gilmour, 22, were married Saturday afternoon in Hawaii, reports [People](#). The couple have been dating for over a year and were engaged just last month. Smart originally planned on having a summer wedding, but changed the date only two weeks ago. “It’s everything you can imagine with planning a wedding,” said Smart. “Only, it’s compressed into a few days.”

How do you plan a wedding quickly?

Cupid’s Advice:

Though nearly all weddings take months of planning, it’s

possible to plan a wedding in a short time span. Here are a few ways to plan a wedding quickly:

1. Stay local: Picking a local venue will make the planning process much simpler. More of your friends will be able to attend, and there will be less hassle with furnishings, transportation and last-minute changes.

2. Simplify your choices: Instead of going through every possibility, try limiting your options. Visit two cake bakeries instead of three or try on five dresses instead of ten. Your choices will be easier to make, and you will spend less time searching for alternatives.

3. Wedding planner: If you have the means, a wedding planner can take a huge load off of your shoulders. Pick a wedding planner that knows you're on a tight deadline and have them do the majority of your work for you.

How long did it take you to plan your wedding? Feel free to leave a comment below.

Robert Downey Jr. Takes Pregnant Wife On Vacation





He's not Paul Avery,

but he is a father in training. Actor Robert Downey Jr. recently took his six-month pregnant wife Susan Levin on a weekend getaway to Hawaii where they snorkeled on the island of Kauai, according to [UsMagazine](#). The couple will welcome their first child in February. Downey Jr. and Levin met in 2003 on the set of the movie *Gothika*. The star of *Sherlock Holmes* credits Levin for helping him remain sober. "There's no understanding for me of the bigger picture in real time in a hands-on way without her," he told *Esquire* in 2009. "Because it was the perfect, perfect, perfect matching of personalities and gifts."

What are some ways to make your pregnant significant other happy?

Cupid's Advice

You don't always have to take the future mother of your child off to a weekend getaway in Hawaii, but do try to make her feel appreciated. Here are some smaller ways to do so:

- 1. 'Dinner's on me':** Take some time to cook her favorite dinner. This will let her know just how special she is to you.
- 2. 'Need a foot-rub?':** Do some little things for her around

the house, make things easier for her while she's pregnant. She's the one carrying your child, which is work in and of itself.

3. 'Have the remote': Let her know that you're there for her and ready to listen and take care of her needs. If she wants to watch a show, hand over the remote.

What are some other ways to make your pregnant partner happy? Share your ideas below.

Heather Locklear Celebrates 50th Birthday With Jack Wagner at the Beach



Heather Locklear celebrated her 50th birthday with rest and relaxation, reports

People. The former *Melrose Place* star spent her special day vacationing in Hawaii with fiancé Jack Wagner, 51. Locklear and Wagner announced their engagement in August, but have yet to set a date for the wedding.

What are some ways to enjoy a relaxing birthday weekend?

Cupid's Advice:

Though life can be stressful, your birthday is a time to relax and have fun. Here are a few tips for a relaxing birthday weekend:

1. Outsource your work: Instead of hosting a party, take friends out to dinner. By going out, you eliminate all the cooking, cleaning, and prepping that needs to be done before and after a party.

2. Keep it small: Though you may be happy to see all of your friends, socializing with many people may wear you out. By inviting only a few, close friends, you can converse together in a small group, without having to worry about your other guests.

3. Enjoy yourself: Your birthday is one of the only days that revolves around you. Enjoy the day and do whatever you want. Sleep in, get a massage, go shopping or indulge in a mani/pedi. Don't let anybody else plan your schedule for you.

Have you had a relaxing birthday recently? Feel free to share your story below!

Keyshia Cole and Basketball Star Husband Renew Vows in Hawaii



R&B singer Keyshia Cole fulfilled her dream of a destination wedding on Sunday when she and Cleveland Cavaliers player, Daniel Gibson renewed their vows in Hawaii. UsMagazine.com reports that Gibson wanted to make his wife's wishes come true so he flew all of her family members out to the tropical island for her ideal ceremony. The bride was so excited as she tweeted throughout the day, "This is so beautiful! I'm so glad we're taping this so you all can see!" The couple is recording for their new reality TV show *Family First*, which premieres in February of 2012.

What are some reasons to renew your wedding vows?

Cupid's Advice:

Every girl dreams of her wedding day, but sometimes those plans get thwarted due to unforeseen circumstances. Renewing your vows allows for you to have the wedding you always wanted:

1. Dream location: Many women dream to have their wedding in exotic locations, but they can't afford the traveling costs for themselves and/or their families. Renewing vows gives you a second chance to say "I do" in your dream destination.

2. Family and friends: If you didn't get a chance to invite all of your family and friends and throw a true celebration, now's the time to have an amazing time partying with those you love.

3. Reminder: It's common for marriage to become more of a routine than a relationship. Saying "I do" again is a nice reminder of the love you and your partner have for each other.

What are some reasons you have for renewing your vows? Let us know below!

Molly Sims and Scott Stuber Tie the Knot in Napa Valley





Molly Sims and producer Scott Stuber officially said “I do” last Saturday in Napa Valley, California, according to [People](#). The model-turned-actress and Stuber dated for a year and a half before getting engaged last May. They exchanged vows in front of family and friends, which included Josh Duhamel and Fergie.

Where are some romantic locations to get married?

Cupid’s Advice:

So now that he has finally proposed, what next? The wedding of course. If you’re still not sure exactly where to have the ceremony, Cupid has some suggestions:

1. Maui, Hawaii: If you’ve always dreamed of having a wedding on a beach, then consider heading off to Maui, Hawaii. Have a romantic wedding by the ocean with palm trees and the sun setting in the background.

2. Dalhousie Castle – Scotland: If you’re searching for a place outside of the states, then make sure to check out this 13th-century castle that’s been converted into a luxury hotel. You’ll definitely feel like royalty as you tie the knot with your beloved here.

3. Legion of Honor – San Francisco, California: If you’re a

west coaster, the Palace of the Legion of Honor is the place for you to get married. With amazing views of the Bay and the city of San Francisco, including exhibits featuring the arts, you won't regret your decision.

If you know other romantic locations to get married, share with our readers by commenting below.

Christina Aguilera Goes On Vacation After Split



Christina Aguilera has recently been dealing with divorce papers and drama, all caused by her split from hubby Jordan Bratman. The singer decided to escape the chaos by taking a quick vacation to Hawaii. The *Burlesque* star "...has a packed weekend ahead of her, including yoga, surfing lessons, hikes, lunches, VIP

dinners and cocktail parties,” reports [E! Online](#). Sounds like it’s just what she needs!

After a breakup, where are some good places to get away?

Cupid’s Advice:

When your heart is aching, you may need some space. Some people may recuperate just by having some down time, while others may need a paradise getaway to soothe their spirits. Cupid has some suggestions:

- 1. Suburbs:** Live in a big city? Get some fresh air by stepping outside of your urban environment. The change of scenery will be both relaxing and refreshing.
- 2. Europe:** If you’re one of those people who needs serious space after a split, head to an exotic location. Skip romantic activities in Paris, and spend some time with friends in Greece, or relax on a beach in Italy.
- 3. A friend’s house:** If you don’t have the time or the money to plan a trip, spend some time at a friend’s house. You will have a different environment in which to recover and the added bonus of a good friend taking care of you.

Britney Spears & Jason Trawick’s Hawaiian Vacay





Taking a break from work, Britney Spears and agent boyfriend Jason Trawick recently went on a romantic getaway to Hawaii, according to [People](#). Spears, who recently filmed a spot on *Glee*, left her two sons with their grandparents before jetting off to a luxury suite at an oceanfront resort on Hawaii's Wailea coast. An onlooker says, "Britney and Jason seem completely in love and happy. Britney has not stopped smiling since she arrived in Maui, and she seems to have the best time with Jason."

What are some good vacation destinations for the whole family?

Sometimes it can be tempting to get away from the kids for a few days, but a vacation can still be relaxing and enjoyable for the whole family. Cupid has some getaway ideas for you, your spouse and your kids:

1. Beach resorts: One of the best vacation spots for families is a beach resort. They often have programs for kids throughout the day, allowing parents much-needed relaxation time. An example is Beaches Boscobel Resort and Golf Club in Jamaica. This resort has golf lessons for kids, a waterpark, a video game center, as well as many sporting and restaurant options.

2. Cruises: Kid-friendly cruises, such as the Disney Cruise Line, offer youth clubs, live shows and pools designed for

specific age groups (including adults). Your children can enjoy spending time with others their age while you relax with your spouse.

3. Camping: For those who enjoy the outdoors, camping is another great family vacation option. You can enjoy spending time with your kids during the day and then, after they fall asleep, enjoy time with your spouse in front of the campfire.

If you enjoy taking in natural wonders, camping at places like the Grand Canyon or Yosemite National Park can make for great memories.