

Zimbio's Top 10 Sizzling Celebrity Couples



When it comes to celebrity couples, everyone wants to know which ones are hot and which ones simply don't make the cut. Zimbio came up with a list of their 100 Hottest Celebrity Couples. Celebs were rated on their levels of success, attractiveness, popularity and staying power. The total of the scores in the four categories determined each couple's rank on the list. Although one of the couples has since split, the other nine are still happily together – as of now. Let's take a look at how hot Zimbio's top 10 list is:

1. Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt: Who other than “Brangelina” should get the number one spot? Jolie and Pitt's names have

graced headlines ever since word got out that they were an item. On success, Zimbio said, "These two command the box office," and their attractiveness and popularity are self-explanatory. As far as staying power, Zimbio believes they have more reasons to stay together than the average celebrity couple.

2. Beyonce and Jay-Z: *Parade* magazine reported that this couple racked up a total of \$162 million this year, proving their obvious success. Also, this couple keeps their relationship strictly between them, giving their relationship longevity.

3. David and Victoria Beckham: Their attractiveness ranked a scorching 19 on the scale of one to 20. Posh Spice remains a feisty diva who has perfected her fashion tip, and the soccer player has always been noted for his good looks. Though rumors have circulated about the couple having affairs, they are still holding strong, 12 years later.

4. Gisele Bundchen and Tom Brady: There's no need to speak on success, as Brady is one of the hottest names in the NFL and the former Victoria's Secret angel continues to land many cosmetic endorsements. This is a first marriage for this seemingly ageless couple – one that will hopefully last!

5. Faith Hill and Tom McGraw: Though Zimbio doesn't think this couple is too hot, success sums them up in a nutshell. Hill had 1.2 million Google searches last month, and McGraw's 2.25 million was enough to put them in the top tier of most popular couples, according to the site. We predict that this couple will continue their happily ever after, as their staying power ranks 20 out of 20.

6. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett: You should have known this hot Hollywood couple was coming! Smith and Pinkett are the epitome of the sweet, down-to-earth duo everyone loves. They have both spoken out about divorce before, and simply put, it

won't happen.

7. Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake: Although this couple gained a spot in the top 10 list, the fire to their flame has been blown out. However, the former pair ranked 19 out of 20 for both popularity and attractiveness.

8. Gwen Stefani and Gavin Rossdale: While they aren't as successful as the others, this musical couple ranks high in attractiveness. Though Stefani used to date No Doubt band mate Tony Kanal, there's "no doubt" she and Rossdale are a match made in heaven.

9. Johnny Depp and Vanessa Paradis: According to Zimbio, "Johnny Depp became the highest-paid actor for a single role in the history of film" after shooting *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*. If that's not success, we don't know what is! These dark-haired lookers have an unpredictable staying power and didn't rank high in popularity, but made the top 10. Kudos!

10. Heidi Klum and Seal: Seal's album *Soul* ranked number one on the French album charts for 13 weeks straight last year, and Klum's 2010 income was said to be \$14 million, according to *Forbes* Celebrity 100. Though Seal has a rare condition called discoid lupus erythematosus that caused the scars on his face, Klum, the bombshell Victoria's Secret model, only noticed his flawless personality.

This Top 10 list is just a small portion of what's on Zimbio's Top 100 menu; if you can't take the heat, stay out of the kitchen. For the rest of the list, visit Zimbio.com.

Celebrity Couples Who Have Stayed Together



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Why do some celebrity couples end up as a train wreck, while others seem to withstand the test of time? Different strategies work for different power couples. For some, private time is the glue that cements them. For others, it’s a conscious decision to put marriage and family before work or making time for grand romantic gestures.

Check out what works for these four celebrity pairs:

Beyonce and Jay-Z: They are one of the world’s great couples. Jay-Z has an undeniable charm, a laugh to die for and a

fantastic smile. The key to their happiness may lie in their equal success – both reportedly make around \$80 million yearly. Celebrity couples have survived even without equal success, though, so what works for Jay-Z and Beyonce might be their commitment privacy. The couple is notoriously private about their relationship, keeping the magic between them and not opening up their bedroom to the world.

Faith Hill and Tim McGraw: Married since 1996 and some of the hottest entertainers on the country music scene, these two owe their success to spending time together. Even with their busy touring schedules and McGraw's burgeoning movie career, they try never to spend more than three nights away from each other's sides.

Jada Pinkett Smith and Will Smith: He's the only actor ever to have scored eight consecutive films that grossed over \$100 million domestically. Okay, so Will Smith is the biggest movie star ever. Jada's also had some megahits, notably the Matrix series, and she's taken turns as a writer and director. Still, Jada insists she would let her career go before allowing it to interfere with her relationship with Will. Maybe that's why they've been together since 1997. Of course, it doesn't hurt that this super-cute couple only seems to get better looking with age.

Heidi Klum and Seal: The former Victoria's Secret model who stays involved with America's Next Top Model, is known for her fabulous figure and gorgeous face. He's known for his legendary singing voice and the uber-romantic ballad "Kiss From a Rose." The pair met in 2003 and married in 2005. The fact that he's English and she's German never seems to be an issue for this playful pair, often caught in public frolicking with their four children. The romantic duo renews their wedding vows every year on their anniversary.

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Election Day Celebrity Style



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With this year's 2010 midterm elections coming to a close today, we aren't seeing the celebrity star power that we witnessed in 2008. Make no mistake; it's not the Presidential election but it's still an important time to vote. According to experts, Hollywood is staying home this election period. Why the lack of star power now? Where's Brad and Angelina? Demi and Ashton? Whether we like it or

not, these famous folks can influence public opinion. If you and your partner are ready to vote but don't see eye-to-eye when it comes to politics, there are still ways that you can make a stance while maintaining a healthy relationship:

1. One way to achieve neutral ground is by educating others. Instead of focusing your attention on who you're voting for, put the spotlight on the traditional lack of voter turn out instead and help increase the numbers.

2. Stand behind a group. While Jay-Z has made it clear in the past Presidential election who he was voting for, this time around he's working with the Vote Again 2010 campaign headed by HeadCount, a nonpartisan organization that works with musicians to promote participation in democracy. Find ways to get involved with groups that share the same political viewpoint as you.

3. Avoid trying to change your partner's opinion. You're with them because of the person they are, not the political candidate they support. Respect that they have the right to an opinion that differs from yours. Don't ridicule your significant other's views on certain issues – instead, listen and work to understand their stance.

Without becoming a political celebrity staple, celebrity couples are taking on a more open-minded and neutral stance when it comes to the midterm elections, and you and your significant other can try this out too. While issues dealt with during political elections can be the breaking point for some couples, that doesn't mean that Republicans, Democrats, and all parties alike cannot find mutual grounds in the dating world.

Does Beyoncé Have a Baby on the Way?



Rumors are swirling that Beyoncé Knowles will soon be in the market for some bootylicious baby booties! In an exclusive, [US Magazine](#) is reporting that the singer and husband, Jay-Z, are expecting their first child. According to a source, the news came as a big surprise for the superstar duo. “B was shocked. She loves kids, but she wasn’t ready to be a mother just yet.” “She really wanted to get her album done and tour the world again.” Still, another source says that Beyonce realizes that “this is a gift from God and she’s so happy.” But don’t start buying baby clothes for the couple just yet. Beyoncé’s mom recently told Ellen DeGeneres that the pair are, in fact, not expecting a baby, according to [People](#). The truth remains to be seen!

How can you and your partner best handle news of a surprise pregnancy?

Cupid's Advice:

As the saying goes, you can't be just "a little bit" pregnant.

Ready or not, your little one will soon be here, and you and your partner will have to come to the understanding that you're going to be parents. Cupid has some tips to help turn the element of surprise into baby bliss:

1. Listen to the doctor's orders: While you're trying to sort out all of the emotions in your head and deal with the changes to your body, make sure not to disregard yours and the baby's health. A doctor can also help run through your options if you are uncertain about the pregnancy. Plus, he/she can tell your mate exactly how to care for you.

2. Find a support system: Your main support system should be with your partner; however, the surprise of having a baby can be overwhelming. Find someone else to talk to and express all of your feelings. Sometimes an outsider can open your eyes and put your concerns into perspective. Then, go back to your beau and let him in on your new revelations.

3. Trust your maternal instinct: Once you find out you are pregnant, your maternal instinct will most likely kick in. Although it takes a little longer for your partner's paternal instinct to follow suit, once it does, you can start "nesting" as a couple. While you'll inevitably be thinking that you're not sure if you can handle this, trust in yourself and your beau, and have confidence!

Beyoncé Knowles: Pregnancy “When I Am Ready”



Superstar Beyoncé Knowles has a broad range of issues on her plate, but pregnancy isn't one of them. The singer has previously acknowledged her wish for a baby, and assures U.K.'s [YOU](#) magazine that her plans have not changed. However, she says she is determined “to continue to learn about the world and to eventually have a family.” This attitude allows for the *Dreamgirls* actress to continue work on her acting, singing, songwriting, and her new perfume, Heat. Knowles adds that isn't on any schedule: “It will happen when I am ready.”

How can you deal with the pressure to start a family?

Cupid's Advice:

1. Analyze: You need to be sure of you and your partner's maturity, financial stability, and ambitions. Only commit to pregnancy when you and your partner are ready to devote 100 percent of your time to a new baby. Don't sacrifice your dreams of traveling the world just to please the in-laws.

2. Reality check: Not everybody is ready for a baby at 25. Your best friend who has been playing with dolls and babysitting since the age of 12 is probably more eager to start a family than you are. Follow Beyoncé's advice and only try for pregnancy when you are ready.

3. Don't rush: New advances in medicines and procedures, like in vitro fertilization, have made it easier for women to become pregnant later in life. Your doctor will help you to become pregnant whenever you wish for it. Don't race against any biological clock.