Five Celebrity Couples Who Had a Low Profile Wedding





By Creshawna Parker

Planning a wedding is hard work. You have to pick a date, send out invites, take engagement photos, find the perfect dress, choose the hall, get a caterer — actually, the planning really doesn't end until the big day. And if you're a celebrity, add trying to shun paparazzi and other camera toting individuals to your to-do list and this task can become even more stressful. Contrary to this belief, thanks to reality TV and celebrity magazine contracts, some celebrities [insert Kim Kardashian here] have the pleasure of publicizing their exchanging of vows for millions of Hollywood enthused fans to see on TV in trade of cashing a multi-million dollar check. While, this gives off a semblance of an easy pay day for celebrities, these Tinseltown twosomes traded in the cameras and the public access to celebrate their intimate moment with family and close friends: 1. Beyonce Knowles and Shawn 'Jay-Z' Carter: This power couple started dating back in 2002 and after years of speculation, the duo officially tied the knot on April 4, 2008. The ceremony was followed by a lavish party thrown at the rapper's New York Tribeca apartment and was decorated with 50,000 to 60,000 white orchid blooms from Thailand. In attendance was the couple's closest family and friends including the singer's parents and sister Solange, former Destiny's Child members Kelly Rowland and Michelle Williams and actress Gwenyth Paltrow. Normally a private person about her love life, the new mom stated in *People* back in January 2006, "I never pictured myself as a bride, but after my sister's wedding, I did start thinking about what kind of wedding I want. I don't think I want a big one."

2. Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon: These two lovebirds started dating in March of 2008 after Cannon appeared in the singer's music video "Bye Bye." After dating for only a few weeks, the couple said "I do" on April 30, 2008 in front of a dozen of their closest family and friends at Carey's Bahamian oceanside estate while enjoying live Maine lobster and Dom Perignon that was flown in for the special occasion. Not only did the couple seal the deal in just a few weeks, they also marked the event with permanent ink. "We got tattoos," Carey told *People.* "His is on one shoulder to the other and it says 'Mariah.' [Mine is] on my lower back and it says 'Mrs. Cannon.' "

Related: <u>Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon: New Parents on Their</u> <u>Anniversary!</u>

3. Megan Fox and Brian Austin Green: It took two engagements before this Hollywood pair tied the knot in Hawaii on June 24, 2010. The couple, who met in 2004 on the set of the sitcom "Hope & Faith," wed at the Four Seasons Hotel resort in a private ceremony while vacationing on the island. Before calling off their first engagement, Green described his ideal wedding to *People*. "Originally we were talking elopement and

now we might have a few people there," he said. Obviously a man to get what he wants, the two reportedly exchanged vows in front of a half dozen guests including Green's son, Kassius.

4. Jessica Alba and Cash Warren: When it comes to low-profile weddings, this actress and producer take the cake. Opting out of having a glamorous Hollywood wedding, these two tied the knot May 19, 2008 at the Beverly Hills courthouse's ceremony room under an arch of green silk foliage and white flowers, with Alba dressed in a long blue gown and her hair in a ponytail. Although the pair considered having a fall wedding, they were evidently satisfied with keeping their nuptials low-key.

Related: <u>Best Celebrity Moms Who Also Make Great Wives</u>

5. Jennifer Garner and Ben Affleck: There was nothing gaudy about this couple's wedding. Married on beautiful Parrot Cay of the Turks and Caicos Islands, a makeup-less Garner, wearing her hair in a loose ponytail wed Affleck on June 29, 2005, in a private ceremony with no family-including their parents- or friends in attendance. "They didn't need or want a crowd. They just wanted each other," Affleck's pal, director Kevin Smith, told <u>People</u>. Perhaps, the secluded time away from the Hollywood glam and cameras made for the best wedding gift for the couple. "They're in it for one another, not for anyone else," Smith said.

Who are some other celebrity couples that had a low profile wedding? Share your comments below.

Best Celebrity Moms (Who Also Make Great Wives)





By Che Blackwood

Making a relationship work is hard. Throw in full-time jobs, opposing schedules and nosey families, and it can be darn near impossible to find the time you need to make it work. Now, add children to the mix, and some might begin to assume you're attempting to commit partnership suicide. Any woman that has the privilege of being called Mom, or even those who've tried their hand at babysitting, knows that after making macaroni necklaces and finishing science projects, there isn't much time left at the end of the day to dedicate to yourself, let alone your partner. Fortunately, it is possible to fulfill your parental duties and keep your mate happy without completely sacrificing your sanity, shower time or friendships. While it may sound like an urban legend, these celebrity moms have found a way to make juggling kids, love and inner happiness look somewhat easy:

Related: <u>Snooki's Pregnancy – Can You Salvage Your Image?</u>

1. Victoria Beckham: This former Spice Girl ditched her Poshlike alter ego for a life of domesticity after marrying sexy soccer player David Beckham in 1999. Four kids later, Mrs. Beckham can be found naming handbags from her clothing line after daughter Harper and taking her sons to FAO Schwartz. While it's obvious that Beckham is a <u>fun mom</u>, she's also a stunning wife. Low-cut dresses and six inch heels keep this mama looking hot and since their last child isn't even a year old yet, it's obvious that after thirteen years, her style has kept her husband interested.

2. Gwenyth Paltrow: Paltrow makes sure her children, Apple and Moses, think she rocks by taking them to see their dad, Coldplay's Chris Martin, in concert as often as possible. On top of raising her children amongst some of music's biggest legends, she's also made a career out of mommy-blogging, dishing on the most kid-friendly restaurants and best toys. However, this celeb doesn't pretend that being a wife and mom is easy. She's reported that the pressure has caused trouble in her relationship, but in the end, commitment wins out. The actress reminds us that love can't overcome everything, but that the willingness to try sure can. Her devotion to her family makes her one of the coolest moms we know.

3. Jennifer Garner: Garner is the epitome of a laid back mommy. Regardless of her Hollywood status, Mrs. Affleck walks her children to school every day, is frequently spotted bringing her two daughters to the park and focuses on each of her children's individual interests. The actress is so humble that she had no problem dishing in an interview that her eldest daughter, 5-year-old Violet, called her fat. While a great attitude makes for a great mom, her bouncy personality has made her a great wife to actor Ben Affleck as well. In fact, he admitted publically that his wife's unique demeanor leaves him happier and more at ease than he ever thought possible. With their first son having been born a month ago, let's hope Garner can continue to keep this growing family happy.

4. Nicole Richie: This former party girl ditched her crazy habits when she married rocker Joel Madden, but she didn't walk away from her almost natural ability to be hip. As a fashion designer, Richie has named a number of her companies after daughter Harlow. She's also performed on stage with her children's favorite show, Yo Gabba Gabba, and can be spotted bringing Harlow ice cream at ballet class and taking son Sparrow to the beaches of Malibu. With such a rocky past, Richie seems to genuinely appreciate and cherish every moment of motherhood. However, she hasn't forgotten the needs of her husband. The lovebirds continue to make time for each other, recently visiting Coachella, enjoying intimate date nights and making it a point to actively raise their children together.

Related: <u>Nicole Richie Gives Motherhood Advice to Pregnant</u> <u>Jessica Simpson</u>

5. Jessica Alba: This Hollywood actress went public about the pressure of raising a baby in the public eye after giving birth to her first daughter, Honor, After the birth of her second daughter, Haven, she's grown more accustomed to life in the limelight. Never photographed without her children, Alba manages to keep their lives as private as possible without sacrificing their time together. Ransacking her house, she has made her life kid-friendly by adding education into everything she does. Alba admits that raising children is hard, but by taking the pressure off of herself, this Bohemian beauty has turned into a baby-raising bombshell. She and husband Cash Warren have also taken the pressure out of their relationship by taking the time to hang out alone. Whether stealing a weekend away in New York City or sneaking in a day at the beach together, Alba has made it a point to keep her relationship fresh; and it appears to us that Warren couldn't be happier!

What other celebrity moms do you think should be on our list? Share your comments below.

Hollywood Relationships: Celebrities Who Found Romance On Set





By Megan McIntosh

Everyone remembers the moment they met the love of their life, whether it be at a park, a coffee shop or at the office. For many celebrity couples, the setting of the beginning of their love story was the work place. While some pairs couldn't keep the torch in their love life burning, the following Hollywood relationships turned "just a normal day at the office" into unforgettable romances that tabloids and fans constantly

Hollywood Relationships On- And Off-Screen

1. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie: This famous couple has to be one of the most unforgettable set of co-stars to have met on set (they were filming *Mr. and Mrs. Smith*). Pitt divorced his then-wife Jennifer Aniston in 2004 and later got together with Jolie. The duo has a total of six children together – three biological and three adopted.

Related Link: Brad Pitt Trashes Marriage to Jennifer Aniston

2. Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell: Famous actress and mother of Kate Hudson, Hawn has been with actor Kurt Russell since 1983. This Hollywood relationship started on the set of *Swing Shift* in 1982, and the famous couple later starred in the film *Love Overboard* in 1986. Despite a relationship that spans nearly four decades, the couple has no plans to marry.

First The Movie, Then The Celebrity Wedding

3. Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner: This dynamic duo met while on the set of *Daredevil* in 2002 and celebrated their celebrity wedding in 2005. The Hollywood couple has maintained a relatively low-profile relationship, unlike Affleck's previous relationship with another Jennifer, Jennifer Lopez. Affleck and Garner have three children together.

Related Link: Jennifer Garner Says She 'Would Do Anything' for Ben Affleck

4. Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson: This twosome has experienced great popularity with their on-set/off-set

chemistry. The celebs met on the set of *Twilight* in 2008 and also starred together in the other films of the *Twilight* saga: *New Moon, Eclipse* and *Breaking Dawn*. Bella may have difficulty in choosing Jacob or Edward on-screen, but Stewart is Team Edward all the way! Both Pattinson and Stewart will star in the last film of the series *Breaking Dawn Part II* later this year.

5. Jessica Alba and Cash Warren: These lovebirds had a slightly different matchmaking experience. Though not an actor himself, Warren met Alba while she was filming *Fantastic Four* in 2004, and the two were married in 2008. The couple have two daughters together.

6. Freddie Prinze Jr. and Sarah Michelle Gellar: This reclusive celebrity couple met while filming the scary movie I *Know What You Did Last Summer* in 1997. They were married in 2000 and filmed two additional movies together, *Scooby-Doo* in 2002 and its sequel, *Scooby-Doo: Monster's Unleashed* in 2004. Prinze and Geller had a baby girl in 2009 and switch off with at-home responsibilities.

Who are some other Hollywood couples that have found love on set? Share your ideas below.

Jessica Alba and Cash Warren Sport Matching Nail Polish at NYC Fashion Week





Jessica Alba and

her husband Cash Warren rocked matching manicures at the Michael Kors fashion show in NYC last week. The actress and her man looked great sporting each other as accessories, but the coordinating nail polish really made them look in sync. <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that Alba wore a cherry red nail lacquer to match her red lipstick, while Warren wore an orchid pink with a gold accent on his left hand.

What are some ways to positively influence your partner's style?

Cupid's Advice:

The fashion trends rotate with the seasons, and style is constantly changing. Cupid has some tips to keep you and your partner looking great in the public eye:

1. Stay trendy: While you're out shopping, pay attention to what's new on your partner's side of the store as well, and pick out something for them that will keep them up-to-date in the fashion world.

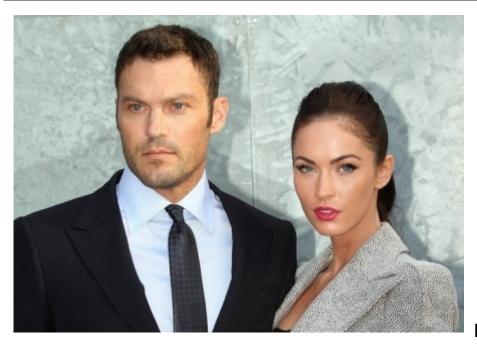
2. Coordinate: Take a shopping trip together so you can coordinate your outfits for whatever's trending that season. That way, neither of you will look out of style.

3. Honesty: Fashion trends come and go, and some trends can't seem to go quick enough. If your partner's wearing something completely heinous, let them know so they don't have to dread the memories later.

How do you help keep your partner looking great? Share your comments below.

How to Pursue Your Man Like Naomi Watts





By Brea Gunn

Everyone knows the formula: boy meets girl, boy flirts with girl, boy asks girl out and boy and girl become an item. But what happens when *girl* meets boy and *girl* pursues said boy?

While it's not unheard of for a woman to have a crush, it's becoming more fashionable for her to be the pursuer, rather than the pursued. Take Naomi Watts and Liev Schreiber, for example. The pair met at the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Costume Ball, and the rest is history, as they say. Or, actually, it's HERstory.

The thing is, unlike other couples, Naomi actually persued Liev. That's right. The actress made up an excuse, flew to New York and now the couple have two beautiful children. A woman pursuing a man isn't necessarily a new phenomenon in Hollywood, though. In fact, it's starting to feel like the norm.

For example, Rachel Weisz married Daniel Craig after meeting the super-hunk on the set of their new movie. LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian couldn't keep their hands off each other (their very married hands!) when they met. Jessica Alba thought Cash Warren was a stud, and now they've got a beautiful family. And sometimes life even imitates art…or art imitates life. Even Anna Paquin couldn't keep her eyes off of costar Stephen Moyer. And ironically, Sookie, her character on their show, *True Blood*, pursued his character, Bill.

So what's a woman to do? Here are some tips:

1. Make the first move: Go talk to him. Compliment his awesome dancing ability. Hey, it worked for Naomi Watts!

2. Set up the next date: Take a lesson from Anna Paquin, and tell him when you want to see him again. Don't wait the obligatory 48 hours to text and/or call.

3. Don't be shy: Even if you tend to be on the quieter sell,

go outside of your comfort zone and show your outgoing side. There's no place for hesitation when your'e going after a man.

So, next time you're out with your girlfriends and you see a cute guy across the room, channel Naomi, Rachel, Leann and Anna ... and send him a drink.

Brea Gunn is a monthly contributor for Cupid's Pulse and also writes about the best Westchester wedding venues. Check out what these wedding business marketing insiders have to share.

Jessica Alba and Cash Warren Welcome Daughter Haven Garner





two for actress Jessica Alba and hubby Cash Warren. They

welcomed daughter Haven Garner into the world this past Saturday and Alba couldn't wait to share the news. Sunday morning, she posted it on her Facebook page, according to <u>OK!</u> <u>Magazine</u>. The busy mother who was working right up until she gave birth promoting her new movie *Spy Kids: All The Time in The World*, says her 3 year-old daughter loves having a little sister and was just as excited about the newborn as her parents. Now Alba is focusing on balancing a busy career, motherhood and a loving relationship with her beau.

What are some ways to lose the baby weight quickly after giving birth?

Cupid's Advice:

Every woman knows it's difficult to shed weight, but it's even tougher to lose the baby weight after giving birth. Cupid has some advice on how to drop the pounds so quick that people won't believe you were even pregnant:

1. Pilates and yoga: Not only is this a perfect way to relax and chill out, but both of these activities are great ways to tone your body and get your shape back. If you're up for a challenge, instead of doing traditional yoga, try hot yoga or bikrim. You'll sweat everything out of your body and feel cleansed. Plus, you'll sweat off the pounds.

2. Diet: Whether you decide to try Weight Watchers, Jenny Craig, or any other diet, as long as you start to eat healthy and watch what your eating, you are sure to shed the pounds fast. Keep track of what your eating and make subtle changes in your diet.

3. Plain old exercise: When all else fails, hit the gym and lose the weight the old fashion way, by working out. Not only does this give you some alone time, but it also makes you feel good and will most likely cause you to make healthier decisions throughout the day.

What are some ways to lose baby weight quickly after giving birth? Share your thoughts below.

4 Celebrity Couples That Sailed Past Stormy Weather





Molly Jacob

By Tanni Deb and

Did you ever hear the phrase, "April showers bring May flowers"? Believe it or not, it means something deeper than just storms and blossoming blooms. In life, dark clouds always eventually pass, allowing the sun to shine through. Focusing on the bright side when you're down can be difficult, but these five famous couples have gone through rough times (in the public eye, no less!) and these celebs are currently doing exceptionally well.

Cupid takes a look to see what celebrity couples made it through stormy times:

1. Prince William and Kate Middleton: The royal newlyweds dated for eight years, but they had an off-and-on relationship. 'Inside Edition' reported that the pair broke up in 2007 after five years of dating, stating William's "immaturity" was a major factor for their break. However, this famous couple soon got back together and had the wedding of the decade in April 2011, which more than two billion people watched worldwide.

Related Link: <u>Prince William and Kate Middleton Celebrate 4th</u> <u>Celebrity Wedding Anniversary While Awaiting Royal Baby</u>

2. Cash Warren and Jessica Alba: The duo began dating in 2005, but called it quits two years later because Alba was ready for marriage and Warren wouldn't commit. The celebs reconciled in 2008, announcing that they were expecting their first child, and married in May 2008.

3. Carey Hart and Pink: This celebrity couple has had a tumultuous relationship. They met in 2001 and briefly split in 2003. The pair then got married in January 2006 but separated two years later. They began seeing each other again in 2009 and went through martial counseling since their divorce was never finalized. Carey even got an image of Pink's face tattooed on his leg.

Related Link: Pink Says the Key to Marriage Is Only Half Listening

4. Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake: This famous couple finally seems to have found peace with their relationship. Their relationship was on again, off again for years until

they finally got married in 2012. While they've been at the center of celebrity gossip for rumors of cheating and divorce, they seem happily married now and their first child was born this past April.

It might have taken these celebrity couples some years and plenty of time to reconcile their relationship, but if they were able to sail past their own storms, so can you. Look at the positive side of your relationship with your significant other, and soon you will also be happier than ever.

What other celebs do you know of that have gotten through tough times? Let us know in the comments section below!

Jessica Biel and Jessica Alba Among Hosts at 14th Annual EIF Revlon Run/Walk





Making

а

relationship work can be challenging for anyone, couple that with a partner who is diagnosed with cancer, and that takes an additional amount of patience, support and love. Well, there was plenty of encouragement and comfort happening in Times Square Saturday morning when more than 20,000 people came out to support loved ones who have battled with cancer at the 14th Annual Entertainment Industry Foundation (EIF) Revlon Run/Walk for Women.

Revlon ambassadors Jessica Biel and mother-to-be Jessica Alba hosted the event alongside Jimmy Fallon, Dr. Mehmet Oz and Nate Berkus. The pace car driven by *White Collar's* Matt Bomer, led participants to the Central Park end mark and fourtime Grammy nominee Keyshia Cole kicked off the morning with a grand performance.

"The energy here @revlon run/walk is amazing 20,000 ppl r here 2 participate. This is the 14th yr & we've raised over 60milli for wmns cancer!" Alba tweeted at the event.

Before the Run/Walk kick-off, the ceremony hosts walked down the red carpet and gave personal speeches that expressed the pride and honor they felt from being part of such an event.

The EIF Revlon Run/Walk event, which launched in 1994 through

the combined efforts of Lilly Tartikoff, Ronald O. Perelman, chairman of Revlon, Inc., and EIF, is one of the nation's largest single-day fundraisers to support women's cancer research, counseling and outreach programs in New York City and Los Angeles. Since its inception, more than \$60 million in grants have been raised from the combined events in New York and Los Angeles.

Celebrity Couples Saving the Earth





By Tanni Deb

With Earth Day this Friday, people everywhere are making pledges to support the planet and show appreciation for the environment. Whether it's planting trees, recycling, or just walking instead of driving, plan to do a something ecofriendly on April 22 – you'll join the countless celebrities who continue to raise awareness about persevering our planet. Here are some celebrity couples who are not only committed to each other, but to Mother Nature as well:

1. Bar Rafaeli and Leonardo DiCaprio: DiCaprio is one of the most outspoken celebrities to discuss environmental issues, and girlfriend Rafaeli is no different. In 2008, the *Titanic* star purchased a condominium in Riverhouse, an eco-friendly building in New York City. He also drives a hybrid, flies commercially to reduce his carbon footprint, inspires other celebrities to go green, founded the Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation to support many eco-friendly causes, and created a documentary about the global environmental crisis called The 11th Hour. Meanwhile, Rafaeli is an activist in promoting alternative energy sources.

2. Miranda Kerr and Orlando Bloom: The Victoria's Secret model has an organic skin care line called Kora, was named Earth Hour's global ambassador for 2011 and modeled nude for *Rolling Stone's* Green Issue to raise environmental awareness. Bloom, Kerr's husband, built an eco-friendly house in London and was named a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador in 2009.

3. Jessica Alba and Cash Warren: In 2008, this couple bought an eco-friendly house in Los Angeles to raise their daughter, Honor Marie in. The couple also lives green. In an interview with *InStyle*, Alba said, "I would like to see a cleaner earth for my child."

4. Rachel Bilson and Hayden Christensen: They might keep their relationship private, but when it comes to causes like Aeropostale's Teens for Jeans, Bilson and Christensen enjoy discussing its recycling campaign. In addition to encouraging people to donate their jeans, Bilson uses reusable shopping bags, drives a hybrid Toyota Prius and wears cloths made from organic cotton. Christensen owns an organic farm in Canada.

5. Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt: These two have been praised for all the charity work they participate in and the organization they founded in 2006, the Jolie-Pitt Foundation, which assists with worldwide humanitarian crises. The couple is also dedicated to creating eco-friendly communities. Shortly after Pitt received permission to run his project, Make It Right NOLA, which focuses on building affordable green houses in New Orleans, he volunteered to be a designer of an environmental luxury hotel in Dubai.

These are just a few of the dozen celebrities who are committed to creating a healthier planet. Follow in their footsteps and make a difference this Earth Day.

Jessica Alba is Expecting





husband Cash Warren are adding one more to their brood,

according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, and Alba took to Facebook to let her fans in on the good news. "Honor is going to be a Big Sister!" the actress wrote. "Cash and I are thrilled and wanted to share the news directly with you so you didn't hear about it somewhere else." Alba, 29, and Warren, 32, already have a two year-old daughter, Honor. The soon-to-be mother of two added, "I appreciated all of the love and support you all gave me during my first pregnancy and will definitely appreciate it again this time around."

What are some ways to announce your pregnancy?

Cupid's Advice:

When you find out you're expecting, telling people can sometimes be the most exciting (and difficult) part. Cupid has some tips on how to break the news:

1. Be creative: If you're looking for ways to tell your partner, try something different. Put a baby rattle or little socks in his pocket to find later and sit back and wait for him to figure it out!

2. Go public: If you're really excited about the pregnancy, why not shout it from the rooftops? Use social media like Jessica Alba did, or make a huge sign saying "I'm pregnant!" for your friends or relatives to see when you invite them over.

3. Tell your folks: If your parents live far away, try sending them a blank card and in child's script write, "To my future Grandma and Grandpa. I can't wait to meet you in 9 months! Love, Baby."