Christina Aguilera's Ex Jordan Bratman Finally Moves Out





Fame and fortune

will not keep you from the hardships of living in the same place as your ex after a breakup. After all, relationships end easier than leases or mortgages. Christina Aguilera's living situation has been uncomfortable, due to her ex-husband Jordan Bratman living under the same roof as her and her new man, Matt Rutler. According to E! Online, Jordan Bratman has finally moved out. As Xtina's ex now sits in a snazzy bachelor pad, Matt Rutler's 2011 Ford Mustang GT still sits in the singer's driveway.

How do you decide who gets the pad after a split?

Cupid's Advice:

The best way to make an emotional split easier is to put some physical distance between you and your ex-partner. This is very difficult to do when both of your names are on the mortgage. Here are some tips on how to decide who should stay and who should leave a bit easier:

- 1. Don't uproot the children: If children are involved, make an effort to keep them in the same place. This should be a major factor in the decision as to who stays and who must find a new place to live.
- 2. Compromise: The person who doesn't get the house needs to get something of equal value to their half of the property.
- 3. Think logically: Emotions often get in the way of these types of decisions. Always approach them fairly and logically. Keep a cool head as much as possible.

Christina Aguilera Shows Off New Boyfriend in London





Since splitting from

her husband of five years Jordan Bratman, Christina Aguilera has been spending a lot of time with new boyfriend Matt Rutler. The singer took along her new flame to keep her company while she promotes her new movie *Burlesque* in the U.K.

Aguilera and Rutler, who met on the set of *Burlesque*, were most recently spotted blowing off steam at London's trendy Mahiki nightclub, reports *RadarOnline*.

When you go public with a new partner, what can it mean?

Cupid's Advice:

A relationship isn't considered "official" until you come out into the open with it. Cupid has some reasons going public may be a good idea:

- 1. Nip it in the bud: To prevent the awkward "getting caught" scenario, tell people right away. Then they won't be surprised when they see the two of you getting cozy! More importantly, they won't start up the gossip train.
- 2. Stop rumors: Set your friends and family straight by letting them know exactly what is going on. Sometimes leaving people to speculate is the worst thing you can do, because it makes for unnecessary drama.
- **3. Get serious:** Going public with your relationship is a way to take it to the next level. Letting people in on your status shows them that you're proud to be with your partner!

Christina Aguilera Explains

Why She Filed for Divorce and Talks About Her New Man





Burlesque star

Christina Aguilera recently spoke out about the real reasons she filed for divorce from Jordan Bartman, according to <u>People</u>. The main reason turns out to be her 2-year-old son, Max. "When you're unhappy in your marriage, your children are the ones who suffer. That's the last thing I wanted for my son," said Aguilera. The Grammy winner is now back on the dating scene with a new man, Matthew Rutler, a set assistant she met while filming <u>Burlesque</u>. She describes him as a kind person who she could spend hours talking to without realizing any time has gone by.

How do you know if your relationship unhealthy?

Cupid's Pulse:

If you think your relationship is unhealthy, it's probably true. Though all couples fight sometimes, if your relationship has become toxic, it's time to move on:

- 1. Unhappiness: If you're unhappy with your partner, chances are the feeling is mutual. Don't try to tough it out.
- 2. Fighting words: An unhealthy couple doesn't always mean fighting all the time. Snide passive aggressive comments can be even more hurtful than a full-out fight.
- **3. Abuse:** At the first signs of physical or emotional abuse, get out of the relationship immediately.

Thoughts from a Single 30-Year-Old





By Jessica Downey of Chicago Now's All the Single Ladies Christina Aguilera recently divorced Jordan Bratman, and she is about to turn 30 in December. I am at the opposite end of things — I just turned 30, and I have never been married (read that as I am totally and completely single).

When I was 20, I thought that I would be married or at least in a really serious relationship by the age of 30. And it's not that I think 30 is old by any means or that I had some sort of timeline but at that time, 30 just seemed so far away. I mean, 10 years is a pretty long time; plenty of time to meet a guy, fall in love and get married.

Obviously as I went into this year, I figured out that marriage probably wasn't going to happen. Technically, it didn't take me that long to figure it out, but I mean, you really never know what can happen. But as my birthday got closer and closer, I kind of liked the idea of having a boyfriend or at least a date by my side on that day.

When the day actually came, I honestly have to say that I wasn't all that sad that I didn't have a man by my side. Actually, I wasn't sad at all. I looked around me and saw all of the amazing friends and family that went out of their way to make the day special for me. I also realized that I have accomplished a lot in life since I was 20.

Now that I am actually 30, I can honestly say that not having a significant other really doesn't feel any different than when I was 20. I mean, things around me have changed. I now live in a completely different place. Certain characteristics about me have also grown and changed, but honestly being single doesn't feel any different for me.

I am not trying to take anything away from the whole concept of finding someone that you truly love. But I do believe that there are many other things in life that you can also be happy about. Things that are important as well. And while the once 20-year-old girl thought she would be married by this time, the 30-year-old woman knows that she just hasn't met the right guy yet.

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Christina Aguilera Talks Marriage





Christina Aguilera

is singing love songs when it comes to her relationship with husband Jordan Bratman. According to <u>Us Magazine</u>, Aguilera is cited in the October issue of <u>Cosmopolitan UK</u> as saying, "We've been married for five years now, and I think the secret is in always keeping it interesting. You have to make time for yourselves." Aguilera also says that even the most loving marriages require effort and a lot of patience.

How can you keep your relationship alive?

Cupid's Advice:

After being married for several years, you may find yourselves getting into a rut. Cupid has some advice to help make sure the honeymoon doesn't end:

- 1. It's date night: Sometimes a marriage can feel as if it's becoming all work and no play. Give yourselves a night out, without the kids, to have fun. Take the time to catch up on the things which get lost in everyday craziness.
- 2. Take on a new interest together: Talk about doing something the two of you have always wanted to try, but never had the time to do. Sign up for cooking lessons or take up a new sport. It's never too late to explore something new together.
- **3. OMG... I luv u:** Technology now and days makes it easier than ever to stay in touch. A quick "hello" or "I love you" via text will let your spouse know you're thinking of him or her throughout the day.