

# Kate Beckinsale Talks Victorian-Era Dating Advice



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The rules of dating are those unwritten do's and don'ts that women are supposed to follow within the dating scene. It's the dating advice told to us by our mothers, our friends, and the media. "Don't wear dark lipstick on the first date," "offer to pay the check," "Don't seem intimidating" to name a few. Not that we actually follow these rules, but we still hear them nonetheless. We thought they were bad *today*, but imagine what women in the 1800s went through just to have a conversation with a guy. Kate Beckinsale, star of the new film *Love & Friendship* based on a Jane Austen novella, reads and reacts to Victorian-era dating advice with the help of a gentleman

straight out of the 1800s. You might want to steer clear of these dating tips and tricks for your next date night.

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*Love & Friendship*, written and directed by Walt Stillman, hits theatres tomorrow.

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