Celebrity Style: Which Celeb Body Do You Most Resemble?





By Rayne Parvis

Do you wish you had the secret to looking your best in your clothes like your neighbor, friend or iconic movie star? Knowing what styles work for your body shape is essential to getting the best overall appearance. When you look at your favorite character from television or a movie, notice how they wear the same few silhouettes. This is because their glam celebrity style squad knows what to buy so they'll always look their best.

Find the celebrity your body most resembles and get stylin'!

Drew Barrymore, <u>Jessica Simpson</u> and Jennifer Hudson: You're wider on top than the bottom and are considered to have an apple body type. You most likely have a full bust and slender legs. Create a balance by wearing more subdued darker patterns and colors on top—and brighter hues and textures on the bottom. This balances out your shape. V-necks are your friend too!

<u>Jennifer Lopez</u>, Beyonce and Kelly Clarkson: You have wider hips, narrow shoulders, smaller bust and are bigger on the bottom. Your body type can be described as pear shape. Create a balance in your shape by wearing your brighter patterns and colors up top. Minimize your bottom half with darker colors and simple bottoms.

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Gwyneth Paltrow, Nicole Kidman and Keira Knightly: You have an overall thin frame with an undefined waist, little curves like a rectangle. You can indulge in most necklines and can create the appearance of a curvier figure with full circle, trumpet and flared skirts and feminine tops that cinch at your waistline creating a hourglass shape.

Marilyn Monroe, <u>Kim Kardashian</u> and Christina Hendricks: You have a defined waist and your hips and bust are noticeably wider imitating an hourglass shape. Emphasizing your waist is key! Make a friend with a tailor. Most of your wardrobe will need to be taken in at the waist. Wrap dress and styles that have a built in waist will pair well with your body type.

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Oprah and Melissa McCarthy ladies are considered extra curvy in addition to one of the shapes above. Always create a waist and go for v-neck necklines. You can create an illusion of a smaller waist with belts— or buying styles that already have a seam that makes one for you—like A wrap or body seamed sheath dresses.

The common goal for all body types is to create and enhance your waist like the sex symbols of the 1950's. You can implement these simple tips to feel fab at any size.

For more tips on how to style and shop for your personality, body-shape and lifestyle grab a copy of "Ultimate Guide to Style:From Drab to Fab!" on <u>Amazon</u>. If you would like more fashion wisdom subscribe to her blog at <u>www.StyleByRayne.com</u> and follow her on Instagram <u>@rayneparvis</u> for inspiration to be bold & all kinds of beautiful.

5 Celebrities That Have Been Adopted





By Courtney Omernick

It's no secret that Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie love adopting kids. But, what about the celebrities out there that have been adopted themselves? Below is a list of five celebrities that were adopted. And, the list might surprise you.

1. Marilyn Monroe: The blonde bombshell was actually abandoned by her widowed mother at a young age, and she spent most of her childhood in foster homes.

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2. Bill Clinton: Like Marilyn Monroe, the 42nd president was also born to a windowed mother and was sent to live with his grandparents as a child. He is the second president to have ever been adopted.

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3. John Lennon: The "Imagine" singer was adopted by his aunt after his father went AWOL while on a naval ship, and his

mother was unable to care for him.

- **4. Nelson Mandela:** Nelson Mandela was adopted at the age of nine by Chief Jongintaba Dalindyebo, the acting regent of the Thembu people, after his father passed away.
- **5. Priscilla Presley:** Priscilla's father was a UN Navy pilot and died in a plane crash when she was six months old. Afterwards, her mother remarried, and Priscilla was adopted by her mother's second husband.

What other celebrities have been adopted? Comment below!

Top Most Romantic Celebrities





By Nic Baird

When Hollywood sex symbol Marilyn Monroe died she had only been married to Joe Dimaggio for nine months. Despite a tragically short romance, the baseball legend put in a standing order for long-stemmed roses to be delivered to Monroe's grave three times a week for the next 20 years. The flame of romance continues to burn among the celebrity twosomes nowadays. On-screen or off, many stars continue to enthrall us with gestures of love. Over 24 million of us tuned in to watch Will and Kate's first kiss as prince and princess. There's still passion in the hearts of the rich and famous. Sometimes it makes our eyes water, and sometimes it's so cheesy we want to throw up, but we're definitely interested:

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- 1. Harry Styles: Styles sings about his "Last First Kiss" as a member of the boy-band One Direction. But is he as passionate out of the studio? "My mum tells me I'm a romantic because if she has a bad day at work, I run a bath for her when she gets home and cook dinner, "he said. Besides his mom's testimony, Styles gets credit for dating hopeless romantic and songstress Taylor Swift. This year, for Swift's 23rd birthday, Styles bought 23 custom cupcakes including ones filled with candy floss and a mint liqueur center. A source told Radar Online: "Once he likes a girl, he's all in. He's very romantic, long emails, surprise gifts, meticulously planned dates." Styles and his (now former) country music starlet will both be touring this year.
- 2. Katy Perry: The singer's romantic side came out during her past marriage to Russell Brand. The two were known for casual strolls and bike rides together. Katy Perry even bought her comedian husband a lilac-colored Bentley for Valentine's Day. Perry started introducing singer John Mayer as her "boyfriend"

recently, and the courtship has been an exciting <u>romance</u>. Cute moments like when they coordinate outfits and Halloween costumes show a playful side to Perry's affections. She puts herself into the dates, like when she took Mayer to visit her hometown of Santa Barbara last month for a romantic tour of The Old Mission. Perry's a fool for love, or maybe just a sucker for romance.

3. Nicolas Cage: Before he was known to "kick-ass" portraying various superheroes, this veteran actor was all about the romance in classics like Moonstruck, City of Angels, and It Could Happen To You. He unsuccessfully proposed to actress Patricia Arquette shortly after meeting her. He was turned down, but was given a chance to prove his love with a list of impossible tasks, like finding a non-existent black orchid. But when Cage returned with reclusive author J. D. Salinger's autograph, Arquette gave him a second look. Since 2004, Cage has been married to Alice Kim. He did the impossible again when he convinced the tribal council of the Havasupai Indian reservation in the Grand Canyon to allow the actor to shoot scenes for Next on the canyon floor, which is the same place where Cage and Kim had their first date. Nostalgia and romance are two things Cage can't resist.

What romantic gestures have blown you away? Post your favorites below.

Love Lessons Learned from Marilyn Monroe





By Amy Osmond Cook, Ph.D.

Marilyn Monroe had it all—fame, beauty, wealth, and some powerful boyfriends—but the one thing she wanted most eluded her. She had three troubled marriages and a host of unfulfilling affairs, and she removed herself from all of them for various reasons.[1] Marilyn's unhappiness amidst spectacular success is nothing short of tragic, but we can learn from the path she trod in her short 36 years of life. From her brief comments about the unraveling of her marriages, here's the advice I believe she would give about how to learn from her relationships and find lasting love.

1. Find a guy you enjoy talking with:

Marilyn married her first husband, James Doherty, when she was just 16 years old. Her legal guardian was moving away from California and convinced the two young lovers to get married.

The marriage was not a good fit from the beginning—he didn't approve of her modeling career, and he spent much of the marriage in the Pacific during World War II. But when Marilyn was later asked why they divorced, she said simply: "My marriage didn't make me sad, but it didn't make me happy either. My husband and I hardly spoke to each other. This wasn't because we were angry. We had nothing to say. I was dying of boredom."[2]

Love Lesson Learned: Be in a relationship that you enjoy.

2. Don't let jealousy get in the way:

Marilyn married baseball legend Joe DiMaggio in 1954, two years after they began dating. While they remained friends until the end of their lives, his jealousy of her fame and acting career contributed largely to the dissolution of their marriage. Tension grew, culminating in a verbal and physical altercation over the famed skirt-blowing promotional pictures for *The Seven Year Itch*. Marilyn filed for divorce shortly thereafter, citing mental cruelty. She stated before a judge that Joe was "cold and indifferent" to her and that days would go by when he wouldn't speak to her.

Love Lesson Learned: Don't waste your time with a jealous partner.

3. A "meeting of the minds" matters:

Marilyn's third husband, Arthur Miller, was a brilliant playwright who dazzled her with his sharp mind. Marilyn was an avid listener, but she was all too aware that she was not his intellectual equal. Regrettably, her fears were realized when she read in his journal that he had second thoughts about marrying her and considered her his inferior. After one particularly emotional conversation, she overdosed on sleeping pills, and the marriage ended.

Love Lesson Learned: Choose a partner that loves you for who

you are.

Marilyn's untimely death was mourned by millions of fans, associates, and former flames. Joe Dimaggio placed roses on her grave every week for 20 years to remember her. But she was tragically unable to find lasting love in her three marriages. If she were here today, I believe her advice to us would be to find a partner that you enjoy being with, that isn't jealous, and that loves you for who you are. Only then may we have a shot at having the one thing that Marilyn desired most—a soul mate.

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