

Celebrity News: Robin Thicke & Paula Patton End Custody Battle Amidst News of His GF's Pregnancy



By [Marissa Donovan](#)

These [celebrity parents](#) have finally come to an agreement over the custody of their son Julian. According to [UsMagazine.com](#), Robin Thicke and Paula Patton will each have equal time with their son and share expenses such as tuition for private school. Patton filed for a [celebrity divorce](#) from Thicke back in 2014. There has been family drama that has caused custody problems in the past, including allegations of domestic and child abuse that has teared the family apart over

the years. In a twist of events, Thicke and girlfriend April Love Geary recently announced they are expecting a [celebrity baby](#) soon, which may have caused the former [celebrity couple](#) to make amends.

There's no lack of drama in this [celebrity news](#), although maybe some of it has been put on the back burner now. What are some ways to keep personal drama from affecting your children?

Cupid's Advice:

Don't let personal drama that you are experiencing affect your children. Here are some ways to keep your kids drama-free:

1. Let them know what's happening without biases: Try giving your child an over view of what's happening without using language that allows them to pick a side. Biases will only cause them to turn on other, which will only cause more drama.

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2. Let family members or friends babysit: Sometimes it's best to let family members watch your children while your flustered. Family members or friends will hopefully be understanding of your current problems and help you by watching your children while you work out your issues.

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3. Keep them open minded: Let them know that there's a bright

side to the problems that are currently happening. Keeping them open minded to the future will set a positive tone.

How can you keep your kids drama-free? Let us know in the comments!

5 Stars in Open Celebrity Relationships



By [Katie Gray](#)

They say that communication is key! Apparently open relationships are quite common right now with [celebrity](#)

[couples](#). However; just because someone starts out with an open relationship doesn't mean they can't later on be monogamous. Many [celebrity relationships](#) have started out more casual and open, but have led to monogamous marriages later on. When it comes to [relationship advice](#), it's clear that communication and trust are imperative.

Cupid has compiled five stars in open celebrity relationships:

1. Hugh Hefner & Playmates: Hugh Hefner is the iconic founder of Playboy and is probably the most open in regards to open relationships. He notoriously has several girlfriends at one time, and often they would all live together with him in his Playboy Mansion. When he attends red carpet events, he always has a string of pretty girls by his side. Typically his girlfriends are Playmates, meaning they're in his magazine. The hit reality show, *Girls Next Door*, revolved around his girlfriends: Holly Madison, Kendra Wilkinson and Bridget Marquardt. However; right now he is married to Crystal Hefner.

2. Robin Thicke & Paula Patton: Music industry veteran, singer and songwriter, Robin Thicke is married to actress, Paula Patton. He told Howard Stern in an interview that out of respect for his wife, he wouldn't talk about open relationships. However; he didn't deny having one so many people have assumed they sometimes have an open relationship. As long as they're happy in their celebrity marriage, that is all that matters.

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3. Mo'Nique & Sidney Hicks: Mo'Nique, comedian and actress, is married to fellow actor and producer Sidney Hicks. She openly told Barbara Walters that they have an open relationship. Although; many suspect that she doesn't participate in that

often. It is clear though, that communication and trust is present and that is what counts.

4. T-Pain & Amber Najm: Rapper T-Pain saw a lot of success in the mid 2000's. He is married to Amber Najm, and has said publicly that they don't have an open relationship, but they do sleep with other girls together. Basically, they create things on their own terms.

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5. Francois Hollande: Celebrities in the entertainment industry are not the only ones who practice open relationships sometimes. Apparently the French President, Francois Hollande, is very open about having a girlfriend, in addition to a mistress. He puts everything out on the table for everyone. It's good he is not keeping secrets or being shady, but some still question his decisions.

Who are your favorite stars in open celebrity relationships? Comment below!

Paula Patton Says She's a 'Real Woman Now' Post-Split from Celebrity Ex Robin Thicke





By Maggie Manfredi

There are no “blurred lines” here! Paula is very happy as a single celebrity woman. According to UsMagazine.com, former celebrity couple Robin Thicke and Paula Patton are continuing onward after their rocky celebrity divorce. Thicke’s celebrity ex said, “I’ve grown a lot. It’s been a long year and a lot of challenges, I live in a place of gratitude [and am] thankful for everything I have.” The ex celebrity couple have to continue to coexist as co-parents to their son Julian. Patton continues to work as an actress and mom and believes she is finally a “real woman” because of her journey.

Paula Patton is no longer plagued by a negative relationship and love life with celebrity ex Robin Thicke. What are some benefits of

moving on from a confining relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Robin Thicke's celebrity ex Paula Patton has seen some serious benefits post break-up! Here are some you can look forward to if your relationship is deteriorating:

1. Learn about yourself: With failure comes lessons to be learned. As you go through a break-up, you will gain knowledge about who you are and how you handle adversity. Be aware of your actions and don't be afraid of change.

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2. Become more independent: Paula Patton found strength in being alone. She is a fiercer woman and a stronger mother... and you can be, too. Don't be ashamed of your past codependency, but don't let it hold you back. Work through your new found independence and embrace it.

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3. Start of something new: Look forward to what is to come. There are prospective partners, forks in your road to chose from and adventures to be had. The only way to move forward is to resist stagnancy. Keep moving and good things will come your way.

What lessons have you learned from the end of a relationship? Share your experiences with us below!

The Ex Factor: Songs After Heartbreak





Paula Patton and Robin Thicke

Thicke attempted to win back his estranged wife with an emotional ballad off of his new album. "Get Her Back" is dripping with grovel as the crooner begs his ex to forgive him after his cheating scandal. Photo: David Gabber / PR Photos

Robin Thicke Speaks Out About Trying to Win Back Paula Patton





By [Jessica DeRubbo](#)

It's no secret that Robin Thicke has been making some grand gestures to win back his estranged wife Paula Patton. From dedicating songs to her on stage to naming his new album after her, Thicke is determined to do what he can to mend things. The kicker? "I actually have no idea what I'm doing," he said, according to [UsMagazine.com](#). "I'm just kind of flying by the seat of my pants on this one."

What are three grand gestures to win back your love?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes it takes more than an "I'm sorry" to mend bridges in your relationship. Cupid has some advice:

1. Book a trip to paradise: The prospect of a vacation is never a bad thing. Be creative, and book a surprise trip for you and your partner. Perhaps go to the first place you vacationed together as a couple, or choose somewhere he/she has always want it to go. Put the tickets in a card, and write a love note along with it.

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2. One word: Jumbotron: If you and your partner enjoy sporting events, plan in advance and get in good with the jumbotron operator. Declare your love so that everyone can see.

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3. Decorate at home: Grand gestures don't always have to be expensive. Make an effort to clean your home, and then decorate it with things that speak to your love. Sometimes flower petals or flower bouquets can work wonders in such a setting. Or, perhaps have your wedding video playing when he/she gets home. Whatever the case may be, make it special.

What are some other grand gestures that will speak volumes? Share your thoughts below.

Robin Thicke Will Name New Album After Estranged Wife Paula Patton





By Sanetra Richards

Persistence is key! And Robin Thicke seems to be a firm believer in that. The sultry star is not giving up on his marriage and will do all it takes to get back his estranged wife, Paula Patton. According to UsMagazine.com, the “*Blurred Lines*” singer has even named his new album after her, in hopes the record – along with other things, of course – will help mend their broken marriage. The upcoming album, *Paula*, is set to be released on July 1st. The track list includes the hit “Get Her Back,” which Thicke unveiled at the 2014 Billboard Music Awards back in May: “All right, y’all, help me get her back.” The pair of nine years separated in February. A source told *Us* that Thicke “wanted to save their marriage, but it was Paula’s choice and she ended it.” The source went on to say, “Robin does not want this divorce.” Despite their separation, Thicke has put in tons of effort to win his wife back over the past few months, even going publicly. At his February concert in Fairfax, Virginia, Thicke told the crowd, “For y’all that don’t know, me and my wife separated but I’m trying to get my girl back.” The *Baggage Claim* actress later released a statement that there was and would always be a “deep love”

between her and husband. “We’ve known each other since we were teenagers,” she said. “All I can tell you is there’s a deep love there—always was, and always will be. He wasn’t my first kiss, but he was my first lots of other things.”

What are some ways to try to win back your love?

Cupid’s Advice:

Mistakes were made along the way, hearts were broken, tears were shed – but now you are more than ready to give it another try and will do whatever it takes to get your love back. Only problem is, you are unsure of how to exactly go about it (or at least try to). Cupid has some tips to lead you in the right direction:

1. Sincerely apologize: A simple “I’m sorry” will not cut it, especially if things are severely damaged. An apology does not have to be scripted or rehearsed. Politely ask your partner for a few minutes of their time to genuinely say what is on your heart and ask for forgiveness. Be empathetic! It is OK to be corny and send flowers every now and then. What is most important is that your sweetheart knows you are deeply sorry for the failed relationship.

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2. Correct your mistakes: Typically, an apology has an invisible tag attached to it that says, “DO NOT DO THIS AGAIN!” Unfortunately, this sometimes goes ignored. Do not be the person to express regret, and then later repeat the same regret over and over again. Somewhere down the line, the relationship went wrong. It is up to you to fix the problem(s) that occurred along the way and make sure they never happen again.

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3. Be an open book: Remain honest with your [ex] partner at all times. If they are willing to give the relationship a second go, have enough respect for them to be nothing short of direct and truthful . . . no matter the circumstance. It may take some time to rebuild what was lost and damaged, but with mutual effort and patience, you all will stand a chance.

What are some other ways to win back your love? Share below.

Robin Thicke Pleads to Win Back Paula Patton at Billboard Music Awards





By Shannon Seibert

At the Billboard Music Awards, singer Robin Thicke made two sentimental pleas to win back his estranged wife, Paula Patton. Thicke, 37, first gave thanks for his wife's love and support when he received 'Best R&B Single'. Thicke later performed his new single "Get Her Back" written explicitly for Patton, according to UsMagazine.com.

What are some grand gestures you can make to win back your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

If you are absolutely certain that your ex is the one who you are supposed to be with, don't let anything stop you from your happiness. Whether it is circumstance, past mistakes, or a simple misunderstanding, if the two of you are truly compatible for each other, there is no reason that can't be possible:

1. A sincere apology can go a long way: When in doubt, start with baby steps. Words can tear people apart, but they can also bring people back together. Give your heart strings a

strong tug, and tell your man how you really feel. The phrase “I’m sorry” is a good place to start, and let the rest flow. Don’t feel the need to justify every action you’ve made. Be attentive and listen to what is hurting him, and see what you can do to fix it.

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2. Show that you’ve paid attention: Sometimes a big gesture is comprised of the little things. What has he been telling you all of this time that you may have overlooked? Put together a bunch of his favorite things to show that you care. Whether it’s a mash-up of his favorite music, that chocolate cake from the bakery that he can’t resist or the movie you watched together on your first date. Go out of your way to show that you’re attentive to his needs and you can give him what he is looking for.

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3. Take a trip down memory lane: Sure there may have been some reasons why your relationship looked like it wouldn’t work out, but there are so many reasons that it should. Every couple has their strengths, so use yours to win back your love. Try recreating your first date, or a few tender moments you’ve been through together. Remind him of how great your were together and the feelings that you share. If you’re both adventurous, explain how this rough patch is just part of the bigger journey. If he’s more introverted, appeal to his kind and quiet qualities with a love letter.

What have you done to get an ex back? Share with us below!

Paula Patton Says She Will Always Have 'Deep Love' for Robin Thicke



By Sanetra Richards

Can this damaged marriage be repaired? Despite the rumors, not much has changed between Paula Patton and ex-husband Robin Thicke. The couple parted ways in February and said in a statement, "We will always love each other and be best friends." According to UsMagazine.com, the 38-year-old actress told *Vanity Fair* that the two will always share a "deep love" with one another. In the recent issue, the *Baggage Claim* star went on to say, "We've known each other since we were teenagers. All I can tell you is there's a deep love there –

always was and always will be.” She continued: “He wasn’t my first kiss, but he was my first lots of other things.”

What are some ways to remain friends with your ex after a breakup?

Cupid’s Advice:

Remaining friends with your ex seems virtually impossible, especially when you are dealing with the post-breakup blues and lingering resentment. Cupid has some questions for you to consider:

1. Were you friends before the relationship? If the answer is yes, a breakup can lead to one of two things: you despise each other and completely ruin your friendship OR you go back to being strictly platonic friends. Most couples who were friends before entering a romantic relationship find it less difficult to transition back to that. If you and your ex-partner were pals before lovers, try reverting.

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2. Was the split a mutual decision? Being friends after a breakup is most likely to happen if the separation was a mutual agreement. If things ended on not-so-bad terms, you both will be more willing to just be friends instead. However, if you weren’t able to agree on anything in the relationship (which may be a reason why it ended), then you possibly won’t even agree on having a friendship afterwards.

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3. Do your loved ones like your ex? If your family and friends absolutely love and adore your ex, you will probably be more persuaded to befriend them. The constant questions on why you are talking or hanging out with your ex will be slim to none

because you already have their approval.

How do you remain friends post-breakup? Share your thoughts below.

What Now? Transitioning From Married to Single



By Patricia Bubash for [Hope After Divorce](#)

“The marriage of Harold Ray Mann and Patricia Mann is now dissolved.” Hearing these words, I didn’t understand how this new status – single – would change my life, a life where I

previously had checked “married” on all forms. So what was my future and the future of my daughters in our now one-parent household? “What now?” were the words in my mind that I never verbalized.

The process of our divorce had taken almost two years, and now, it was over. The time, emotions, and energy of finalizing the end of a fifteen-year union was also over, and all I could think was “what now?” What was the future to bring? Was I going to be able to continue living in my house? Would I be financially stable? Would my daughters emotionally survive their parents’ divorce? Who would continue to be my friends now that I wasn’t part of a twosome? Would my parents, who married for life, be able to accept the divorce of their eldest child? And the big one: Would I ever find love again?

Paula Patton may be asking herself the same questions since recently separating from her longtime love and husband, Robin Thicke. Marriage is hard. Looking at the possibility of divorce is hard as well, especially when children are involved. The divorce process can take a long time from beginning to end, but maybe Patton and Thicke can work through their issues to rebuild their marriage and give their child the chance to live with them both together.

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The possibility of divorce during the last three years of my own fifteen-year marriage had been a reality for me. I had collected several college hours, and a month before our divorce, I finished my program, receiving a diploma in education. No job, but a diploma, three wonderful daughters, and good friends. I was the only divorced person in our neighborhood, but luckily for me, my neighbors were very supportive of my single-parent status.

Social media and networking wasn’t developed at the time. I

was a desperate single mom needing work. But...there was the grapevine! Friends called friends and co-workers, and within a month, I had a job. Life flowed into a routine of working, driving kids to their events, attending church, shopping, and taking care of a house – all the normal activities, minus one adult. But it was okay. “What now?” had become a faded thought. I was living the “now,” and it was going well.

Transitioning from married to single life can be stressful, difficult, frustrating, disappointing, and even exciting. Yes, all of these emotions are felt as you reinvent yourself and your family composition, making the changes that are necessary as you leave married status behind you.

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Even exciting? How can that be? Because change of any kind, no matter how painful it might be, is also exciting – *you* are in charge of making this new life just as you want it to be. How you choose to acclimate to your new status, how you choose to view the experience of your previous married life is all your's to decide. You can look at those years as wasted, or you can look at them as time spent learning about love, how to love, what's really important in a relationship, and what you want out of the next relationship. And you are better equipped, more knowledgeable, and more mature for the next time love comes your way.

To those who are experiencing the end of a marriage and asking “What now?”...breathe, breathe, breathe. Live each day fully and notice all the positives around you. Focus on the now, enjoying the moment. Reach out and make new friends. Join Parents Without Partners, a singles group, or other positive support groups in your community. Be open to new friends or a new love. Open yourself to the possibilities of what's to come – the joy of life – as someone who has experienced love and will again, when the time is right.

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Did Robin Thicke and Paula Patton's Body Language Indicate A Split Was Coming?



By [Jared Sais](#)

By now, we've all heard the news that power couple Robin Thicke and Paula Patton split after nearly a decade of marriage. The high school sweethearts appeared happy and in love on red carpets and at award shows in the past few months, so their separation announcement came as a surprise for many. So I can't help but wonder: Did we all miss the signs that their breakup was imminent? With this thought in mind, I took a look at three recent photos of the couple and analyzed their body language:

Photo 1 (from left to right above): In this picture, we see the couple at the 56th Annual Grammy Awards on January 26, 2014. Thicke is still wearing his wedding ring, but their non-verbal cues say more than a piece of jewelry ever could. Both the stars are walking this red carpet as if they're single already. If you cover up one of the them, you'll see they're

posing separately. When two people are in love, they become a unit when taking a photo, and that's not the case here.

Additionally, if we take a look at Thicke, we can see that he's a bit stiff: His shoulders are squared off, and he's facing the opposite way of Patton, showing that the couple are not in sync.

Looking forward a bit, you'll notice that Patton has the same stance in all three photos. She's got one hand on her hip (which conveys dominance) and is facing the camera. Girls often do this pose, with either one or both hands, to make themselves stand out more in the photos. Think of it like the Superman – or Superwoman – pose of power. Some girls also do this stance because they don't know what else to do with their hands. Either way, it's so culturally expected that it's now done subconsciously.

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Photo 2: Here, the couple is at the Clive Davis and Recording Academy's Pre-Grammys Party on January 25, 2014. Both Thicke and Patton look very comfortable together, and she's genuinely smiling this time. As you may recall from my previous posts, the following signs indicate a real smile: The corner of her lips are raised; her teeth are showing; there's wrinkling at the corner of her eyes (called crow's feet); and she has puffed cheeks.

But one thing is still missing. Although the couple *look* like they're mirroring each other's body language (a sign of flirting and interest) with their faces, their bodies don't follow suit. For instance, there should be some sort of touching with their outside hands. Instead, we see Patton's typical hand on her hip and Thicke's hand in his pocket. This lack of touch tells me that, while she may be laughing and he might be leaning in, things are still not the same between

them.

On the other hand, it also tells me that there's still attraction between them. Thicke is indicating that he wants to get close to Patton both emotionally and physically, which makes sense seeing as he's publicly tried to win Patton's heart back in the past week or so.

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Photo 3: Both the singer and actress were rocking their typical poses at the *Baggage Claim* premiere on September 25, 2013. This photo is more generic than the previous two though; they're just posing for the cameras. The only thing worth noting is that Patton's head is tilted towards Thicke, which is a sign of affection.

I think it's a bit ironic that they're posing in front of a sign for the film, as both of them have some baggage that they need to claim. Based on these three photos, I can tell you that Thicke is still very much in love with Patton (a feeling that he's confirmed) and that Patton is still in love with Thicke. I believe that they'll get back together, but I am sure that Patton will create some guidelines (like no more twerking with Miley Cyrus).

If I could wrap up their relationship in two sentences, I'd say: Thicke was famous first; he found fame and then let the fame go to his head. Reality quickly set in though, and now he understands that being famous can't give you the same thing as love.

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Celebrities Who Have Gotten Back Together After a Cheating Scandal



By April Littleton

Celebrities are known for being in the spotlight – especially if they are involved in a relationship with someone. Sometimes, this can get them into a bit of trouble if they aren't being true to the one they love. Whether the rumors are true or not, many celebrity couples have had their fair share of cheating scandals:

1. Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson: In July 2012, *Us Weekly* published pictures of Stewart having an affair with “Snow White and the Huntsman” director Rupert Sanders. The day after the scandal went public, the “Breaking Dawn” co-star issued out a public apology to Pattinson through *People*. “I’m deeply sorry for the hurt and embarrassment. I’ve caused to those close to me and everyone this has affected. This momentary indiscretion has jeopardized the most important thing in my life, the person I love and respect the most, Rob. I love him, I love him, I’m so sorry,” she said. After a brief breakup, the two ended up back together. However, the reconciliation didn’t last. The couple broke up for the final time sometime last year.

2. Fergie and Josh Duhamel: In 2009, an exotic dancer named Nicole Forrester claimed she had an affair with then 39-year-old Josh Duhamel. In an interview with Oprah, Fergie addressed the claims. “It was difficult. When you go through difficult times it really makes you stronger as a unit. As a partnership. It does for us anyways. Our love is a deeper love now,” she said. The couple went on to renew their wedding vows shortly after the allegations. The duo are also parents to son, Axl Jack Duhamel, born Aug. 29, 2013.

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3. Robin Thicke and Paula Patton: Last year, British socialite Lana Scolaro accused the *Blurred Lines* singer of cheating on his wife with her at a VMAs after-party. Scolaro told *Life & Style Magazine* that Thicke said, “I want to get you into bed!” upon meeting her. Patton’s reps denied all of her claims and stated that Scolaro was “just a girl looking for attention.” Thicke and Patton were high school sweethearts and married in 2005. They have a son, Julian Fuego Thicke.

4. Keith Urban and Nicole Kidman: Part-time model, Amanda Wyatt revealed to *Daily Mail* that Urban cheated on Kidman throughout their relationship. “I feel sorry for Nicole. Keith

cheated on her repeatedly with me, right up to just before they got married,” she said. However, the accusations didn’t seem to tear the couple’s marriage apart. Urban and Kidman had their first child together in 2008, and had a second daughter in 2010.

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5. David Boreanaz and Jamie Bergman: In 2010, the “Bones” star admitted to being unfaithful to wife, Jamie Bergman. He had an affair with Rachel Uchitel. Shortly after he came clean about his infidelity, text messages surfaced that showed the nature of his relationship with Uchitel. At the time, his wife was pregnant. The couple are still together, and have a son and a daughter.

Which other celebrity couples survived an infidelity scandal? Comment below.

Robin Thicke Takes Son to Disneyland Before Split with Wife





By April Littleton

A day before Robin Thicke and wife Paula Patton called it quits on their relationship, the “Blurred Lines” singer took his son on a day trip to Disneyland. An eyewitness told UsMagazine.com that Thicke seemed to be cheerful and was responsive to all his fans. “I asked if I could get his autograph and he said, ‘ Sure baby!’” Thicke and Patton confirmed their split in a statement Mon, Feb. 24. Sources claim the split was bound to happen, “It is not a shock to Robin or Paula, and it is something they have discussed for a long time,” one source said.

How do you break the news of a separation to a child?

Cupid’s Advice:

If you and your partner have come to an agreement in regards to divorce, the next course of action would be to tell the child/children the two of you have together. This step in the process of your breakup might be the toughest to go through, especially if your child may be too young to understand. Cupid

has some tips:

1. Private setting: When you decide to break the tough news to your child/children, make sure to discuss it in a place where he/she will feel the most comfortable. The worst decision you could make is to tell your child about you and your partner's split in a public environment.

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2. Allow them to ask questions: Once you get the "hard" part out of the way, allow your loved one to ask as many questions as necessary. Your child/children will need some time to process the thought of not having both parents under the same roof. Don't get frustrated. Instead, practice your patience and try your best to explain the situation.

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3. Don't smother: Allow your child his/her own space. Everyone in this situation will need some time alone. When things seem to settle down a bit, ask your kid how they're feeling about the situation – including your former flame in the conversation might be a good idea as well.

What are some other ways to break the news of a separation to a child? Comment below.

5 Celebrity Relationships with Open Marriages



By Gabby Robles

Some say that open marriages are a recipe for disaster, but these [famous couples](#) say otherwise. These married celebrity couples admit that attraction to other people is a natural force and don't restrict each other in the slightest. If you've been curious about open marriages, why not take a page from these five celebrity relationships that have them?

Open Marriages for Famous Celebrity Couples

1. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith: This Hollywood couple has talked openly about their marriage recently, with Will Smith stating, "Our perspective is, you don't avoid what's natural and you're going to be attracted to people." The famous couple doesn't keep each other on a tight leash by any

means – even allowing one another to get intimate if the other approves.

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2. Robin Thicke and Paula Patton: After Robin Thicke's scandalous VMA performance with Miley Cyrus, the celebrity couple came forth about their open marriage. Thicke claims that the two have a very strong love and have the "most functional dysfunctional marriage in Hollywood." Whatever works, we guess!

3. Dolly Parton and Carl Dean: These two have a "don't ask, don't tell" policy. The country crooner told Oprah Winfrey in 2010, "That just means we let each other be who we are and how we are. But I'd kill him if I knew he was with somebody."

4. Kody Brown and Christine, Meri, Robyn and Janelle Brown: Also known as "The Sister Wives," this group is an extreme example of an open marriage. While all of them care about their family as a whole, some of the wives admit to having animosity towards each other. With four women sharing one man, we can't blame them!

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5. [Brad Pitt](#) and [Angelina Jolie](#): While technically these two aren't married, the famous couple share six children and behave in the public eye as such. Jolie claimed, "I doubt that fidelity is absolutely essential for a relationship... it's worse to leave your partner and talk badly about him afterwards." She also said that the couple never set any restrictions on each other or their celebrity relationship, even though they live together.

It might not be okay for you, but it sure works for these famous couples! We give these pairs credit: An open marriage cannot be the easiest thing in the world, but they've been

going strong for quite some time.

What do you think about these celebrity couples and their open marriages? Share in the comments below!

Celebrity Couple Predictions: Paula Patton, Miley Cyrus and Catherine Zeta-Jones



By [Shoshi](#)

For this week's celebrity couple predictions, I want to

consider three duos who have been plagued with breakup rumors – some of which have been confirmed.

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Paula Patton and Robin Thicke: These two have been one of the most interesting couples to watch lately – who knew they could be so entertaining? Fans have been waiting for Patton to get upset with her husband for being racy with Miley Cyrus on stage at MTV’s Video Music Awards.

From a clairvoyant point of view, they are a couple with a lot of layers. Thicke was recently quoted as saying that his marriage was “the most dysfunctional functional relationship in Hollywood.” That’s actually a fair assessment; the thing that keeps them solid is trust.

The famous pair are doing quite well in their relationship despite all of the shenanigans. The actress doesn’t freak out when he checks out another woman, and she knows, at the end of the day, Thicke is coming home to her. Don’t expect any separation or divorce headlines. In fact, in less than a year, they’ll be pregnant again.

Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth: Speaking of Cyrus, it’s no surprise that her rep confirmed her engagement was over on Monday. As recent as last weekend, she stopped following her alleged beau on Twitter, but this relationship hit “hot mess status” months ago. Hemsworth tried to hang in there, and it’s time for him to officially move on.

When looking at their energy, what kept these two together was sex; they weren’t destined for anything more than hot nooky. The pop star’s energy is all over the place, and she isn’t focused on love, which will make it difficult for anyone trying to have a serious relationship with her.

As for what's next for these two, Cyrus will have a few flings. Once she's finished trying to be the next Lady Gaga with a splash of Madonna from the 80s, she'll be ready for a relationship that has meaning. Hemsworth, on the other hand, will end up with a dark-haired actress on his arm.

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Catherine Zeta-Jones and Michael Douglas: When it was announced that this married pair separated, the only surprise was that it hadn't happened years ago. Their 13-year marriage lasted longer than most people predicted, as many critics gave it only 5 years. There are many theories on why their relationship fell apart, but it's all speculation; instead of paying attention to the tabloids, I decided to take an in-depth look at their love. I have no doubt that they'll divorce. The actress is a bit lost at the moment; it's important to note that her bipolar disorder is not that main cause for her detachment in their relationship. She is seeking something that she's not getting in her marriage.

They signed a pre-nup when they first got hitched, but the brunette beauty will want a different settlement. Let's just say she thinks that she deserves more money. After a lot of nasty back-and-forth, Douglas will give her what she wants to get rid of her.

After the smoke clears and they're divorced, Zeta-Jones will end up with someone younger who will help her learn to live again. She is known for having an appetite for older men, so this will be new ground for her. Expect her to become known as a full-fledged cougar. Douglas will be fine, as he has a new outlook on life. If he does look for love again, it'll be with someone closer to his age.

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Paula Patton Says “Passion” is Key to a Successful Relationship



By Steven Zangrillo

If you didn't have the opportunity to catch Paula Patton sizzle in Mission: Impossible 3, don't fret. Just ask her about her marriage with singer/songwriter Robin Thicke, and you'll see Paula light up the room with her million dollar smile. "Passion," she gushes, is the key to a lasting and happy relationship. She further took the time to discuss her

marriage's bumpy ride from a high school romance to a stable and successful marriage. Compromise was another major component, coupled with simply "liking each other."

The rest of us men will just have to remain flush with envy. Good job, Mr. Thicke.

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