Movie Review: Dance along to 'Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again'



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In this entertaining comedy, which releases in theaters on July 20, 2018, 10 years after the events of *Mamma Mia!*, Sophie (played by Amanda Seyfried) is pregnant with her fiancé Sky's child on the Greek island of Kalokairi while running her mother's villa. But, Sophie is unsure she can do it all by herself, so she enlists the guidance of her mother Donna's friends and former bandmates, Tanya and Rosie (played by Christine Baranski and Julie Walters, respectively). Throughout the movie, Sophie learns more about Donna (played by Meryl Streep, with Lily James as Young Donna) and how she met each one of Sophie's dads (Pierce Brosnan, Stellan Skarsgård and Colin Firth) and raised her daughter bravely on her own, without a mother's guidance. Of course, things are turned upside down by a surprise visit by Sophie's grandmother, Ruby Sheridan (played by Cher).

Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again is all about the love between family and the true connection of a mother's bond with her daughter. Keep reading for our <u>movie review</u> and some tips on how to manage the stress of a first pregnancy:

Should you see it:

Yes! This fun musical romantic comedy is filled with fun ABBA songs that will make you want to dance out of your seat. The romantic storylines and bond between a mother and daughter will truly make you fall in love with the movie.

Who to take:

Seeing this movie is the perfect <u>date idea</u> for you and your special someone. The movie is romantic, but also tons of fun! Grab some popcorn and a soda and cuddle up with your beau in the theater for this exciting rom com.

Cupid's Advice:

Being pregnant with your first child is incredibly stressful. Cupid has some tips to help make it easier for you:

1. Reach out for help: You don't need to struggle alone in your pregnancy! Reach out to your close family and friends, just like Sophie did. They can help you get through all the rough patches and lend you the advice you need for raising your child.

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2. Prepare in advance: Before actually giving birth to your baby, make sure everything at your home is ready for your bundle of joy's arrival. Make sure your baby's room is all setup, you've got plenty of diapers and you know the route to the hospital. It's never too early to start nesting!

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3. Take a breath: We know, having your first child is definitely scary. But take a deep breath and realize that you don't have to be a perfect parent right away. It's okay if you make mistakes, you're only human. You worrying so much is a clear sign your child is going to be raised in extremely caring hands!

Have any more tips on having your first child? Comment below!

Top 5 Celebrity-Approved Couple Vacation Spots



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If you and your significant other are in the market for a romantic getaway, finding a unique spot to spend your time together may get a little difficult, especially if you're looking for something fun and luxurious. If this scenario sounds familiar, it may not hurt to do some research on celebapproved couple vacation destinations. Lucky for you, Cupid's already got you covered with a guide to the best celebrity couple spots!

Look no further if you're on the hunt for celebrity-approved romantic getaways!

1. Saint Tropez, France: France is already known for being one of the most romantic destinations thanks to its love-filled environment. Vacationing in Saint Tropez includes gorgeous beaches and amazing landscapes, along with an incredibly fun nightlife. Plus, Saint Tropez has hosted celeb couples like Beyonce and <u>Jay-Z</u> and David and Victoria Beckham!

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2. Spain: This European hotspot is sure to be a perfect combination of fun and romance for you and your sweetheart. In fact, on-off couple Michael Fassbender and Alicia Vikander were recently spotted rekindling their flame in Formentera, Spain. With a popular nightlife, hundreds of shopping spots, delicious food and wine, and beautiful sights, Spain is one of the most romantic getaways on the list!

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3. Mexico: If you're looking to vacation in a lively city with amazing food and beautiful beaches, Mexico might be the place for you and your significant other. <u>Carrie Underwood</u> and husband Mike Fisher proved this to be true when they spent their six-year anniversary soaking up rays and strolling on the beach, looking more in love than ever.

4. The Alps: Royal couple Prince William and Kate Middleton have shown their appreciation for The Alps numerous times throughout their 14-year relationship. The couple have visited on their own for a fun, ski-filled getaway, and was even the place they shared their first kiss together! If you and your sweetheart are interested in cuddling up by the fire after a long day of skiing on the mountains, take a page out of the Royal couple's book and visit The Alps.

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5. Italy: This classic celeb spot is perfect for a romantic getaway, and has hosted nearly hundreds of famous couples in the past. With its broad locations, there are several different spots you and your lover can head to. Long time married couple Pierce Brosnan and Keely Smith were recently photographed in Italy taking a stroll on the beach before heading back to their yacht – can you say adorable?

What are some of your favorite romantic getaway spots? Share your thoughts below.

Celebrity Couples Saving The Earth



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Many thanks to our favorite <u>celebrity couples</u> who are saving the planet! It's amazing what lengths our favorite <u>celebrity</u> <u>relationships</u> go through to make sure their homes are ecofriendly. Plus, that's in addition to driving environment friendly cars and helping others to adapt to a green lifestyle. They even make very generous contributions to their favorite environmentalist charities and organizations. Talk about relationship goals! The <u>relationship advice</u> we can all take away from this is that we must always give back.

Cupid has the top five celebrity couples who are saving the environment:

1.Gisele Bundchen & Tom Brady: Supermodel Gisele Bundchen and NFL star Tom Brady live a very green lifestyle. The celebrity couple married in 2009 and they have two children together. In May 2009, she co-hosted the Rainforest Alliance annual gala to honor leaders in sustainability, supports clean water initiatives, environmental sustainability, and preservation of South American rainforests. The Brazilian beauty has planted over 1 million new trees in her name to start reforestation of the Brazilian rainforests. In 2011, she was awarded Greenest Celebrity at the International Green awards at the National History Museum of London. She's also the Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations Environment Program. This year, she joined the climate change documentary Years of Living Dangerously as a celebrity correspondent. Gisele and Tom's Los Angeles home uses solar energy, a gray water system, lighting systems that reduce energy consumption, a rainwater recovery system, and waste reduction and recycling programs. They have their own vegetable garden, where 90% of the food they eat comes from. The house uses recovered stone, wood, insulation, household appliances with a green seal and other sustainable products. In fact, 80% of the construction waste was reused or recycled.

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2. <u>Angelina Jolie & Brad Pitt</u>: Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt are iconic actors, and also are in one of the most notable celebrity relationships in the world. They married in 2014 after being together for close to a decade and having previously co-starred together in *Mr. & Mrs. Smith*. In 2006, the pretty pair established a charitable organization, the Jolie-Pitt Foundation, to aid humanitarian causes around the world. Pitt is also the co-creator of a design competition to build 20 affordable, reduced energy, environmentally friendly homes in New Orleans. They are huge humanitarians, activists and environmentalists.

3. Cate Blanchett & Andrew Upton: Oscar winner and Hollywood legend Cate Blanchett makes saving the environment a priority, along with her playwright/screenwriter husband Andrew Upton. The Aussie natives had their Hunters Hill residence undergo extensive renovations in 2007 to be made more eco-friendly. She has even been working to equip the Sydney Theatre Company building with solar panels and rainwater collection systems to make it completely eco-friendly. Their Sydney home is fully powered by solar energy, and they donate to Forest Guardians.

4. Pierce Brosnan & Keely Shaye Smith: Actor Pierce Brosnan is a famous environmentalist. He's married to Keely Shaye Smith, the journalist, glamour model and author. He focuses on marine, mammal, and wetland protection. He also headlined the Natural Resources Defense Council campaign against effects of Navy sonar on whales. He was also awarded the Green Cross International Environmental Leadership Award in the late 90's.

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5. Cameron Diaz & Benji Madden: Cameron Diaz has been a Hollywood star for decades now. She's best known for her roles in *My Best Friend's Wedding, Charlie's Angels, Gangs of New* York, In Her Shoes, The Holiday and My Sister's Keeper. In 2015, she married rocker Benji Madden of the band *Good Charlotte*. She was also on the MTV Series *Trippin* that revolved around Diaz and a group of her close friends acting globally as they traveled to getaways around the world such as Chile to Yellowstone, on a mission to safeguard the environment. She was even one of the first people to drive the eco-friendly Prius electric car. Diaz also endorses Al Gore, former Vice President and environmentalist, for his 'Live Earth' campaign that brings awareness to climate change.

Who are your favorite celebrity environmentalists? Comment below!

St. Patrick's Day: 10 of the Most Desirable Irish Celebrities



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St. Patrick's Day is right around the corner! With so many celebrities from Ireland or with Irish descent, now is the

perfect time to decide who would be the best match for you. With a little Irish luck, anything can happen. Here are our picks for the best Irish actors and actresses to hit the bars with on Saturday – after a romantic dinner, of course:

Top 5 Irish Actors To Romance

5. Cillian Murphy: Cillian Murphy was born in Douglas, a suburb of Cork, Ireland. The actor has appeared in many films, but perhaps he was most desirable in the opening moments of *Red Eye*, where he played the perfect potential boyfriend to Rachel McAdams' character. That is, until he turned out to be a homicidal lunatic. Murphy has a laid-back, cool persona and would likely make a charming date.

4. Jonathan Rhys Meyers: This television actor, who was born in Dublin, Ireland, has a reputation for partying and would be a great person to hit the clubs with on St. Patty's Day. His piercing blue eyes also make him almost impossible to resist.

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3. Pierce Brosnan: Okay, so he's married, but our list wouldn't be complete without James Bond. Plus, there's hope for a movie romance: with every new film comes another Bond girl. Brosnan was born and grew up in Ireland and is practically ageless, both qualities that help him play the super suave and sexy spy.

2. Mark Wahlberg: Marky Mark was born in the most Irish town in America: Boston, Massachusetts. Boston is the best place in the U.S. to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. If you are lucky, maybe Wahlberg will take you to some of his favorite pubs in the city.

1. Colin Farrell: No actor flaunts his Irish heritage as much as Colin Farrell. Born in Dublin, Ireland, Farrell is known for being one of Hollywood's bad boys. But that does

not take away from the fact that he would be a great date. Plus, he does has a <u>soft side</u>. Farrell has said that what inspired him to become an actor was watching E.T., which brought him to tears. Need we say more?

Top 5 Irish Actresses To Romance

5. Jennifer Connelly: Jennifer Connelly is of Irish descent, thanks to her father. You can very easily see it in her face. Do you know what you cannot see in her face? Her age. Jennifer Connelly is 41 years old and does not look a day over 30. She is a beauty queen and easily one of the sexiest women on the planet.

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4. Olivia Wilde: This rising star has citizenship in Ireland. Coming off of some major television and movie roles, Wilde is becoming one of the hottest names in Hollywood. If she is anything like some of the characters she plays, she is kind-hearted and absolutely loveable but with a bit of an attitude as well.

3. Rooney Mara: She may have played a Swedish hacker in last winter's *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo*, but Mara comes from an extremely Irish family. Her great uncle was, at one time, the United States Ambassador to Ireland. Mara is very shy and modest in interviews. This makes her one of the cutest and most humble people in the business. Oh, and she is absolutely gorgeous.

2. Zooey Deschanel: Who can resist Zooey Deschanel? The New Girl and (500) Days of Summer star has a glowing personality but manages to be more down to Earth than a lot of other actresses. She would be an entertaining date because she knows how to laugh at herself – and how to make you laugh, too. A combination of her bubbly personality and beautiful, big blue eyes will make her very difficult to ignore.

1. Anne Hathaway: Hathaway is of mostly Irish ancestry, which is pretty obvious when you look at her. Based on interviews and what many in the inner circle of Hollywood have said, Anne is one of the sweetest, nicest people in the business. Last summer, she starred in the romantic film *One Day*, leaving many of her fans wanting to spend more than just one day with her. This summer, however, she will take on a much darker role as the new Catwoman in the next Batman movie, *The Dark Knight Rises*. Hathaway is great as any character, but who can pass up dating Catwoman?

Do you like our picks? Any other Irish celebrities you would rather date? Sound off below!

'I Don't Know How She Does It' featuring Sarah Jessica Parker, Pierce Brosnan and Greg Kinnear





The job, the husband, the family and the body: Kate Reddy (Sarah Jessica Parker) has it all – at least on the surface. Reddy, a financial executive for a big New York company in Boston, is also the main breadwinner and mother of two in <u>I</u> <u>Don't Know How She Does It</u>. Problems she has juggling this already busy lifestyle become worse as Reddy makes an ambitious pitch to her boss (Pierce Brosnan) while her husband (Greg Kinnear) lands a new job. Based on a book of the same title, Parker's character has to learn that everything she aims for has a price.

How do you know when you've put your career ahead of family?

Cupid's Advice:

Although this is difficult to determine because each person's situation is different, here are some ways to determine whether work is taking over your life:

1. Necessity: It's one thing if you're bringing in all of the income for your family and it's another thing if you don't

necessarily need to be away from them. Try to keep a balance if at all possible.

2. Kids are suffering: Should you choose to focus on your career and less on your partner or family, you need to make sure your kids will be well taken care of; if not, you need to tone the work down a notch.

3. Future repercussions: It's not always a question of what you love more (family or career), but often a question of your emotional attachment. Decide which you would miss more if you were to give it up.

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