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After Your Divorce: Where to Go to Meet Your New Mate...

And 10 places to steer clear of

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So, you've broken up or divorced. It's okay. Who wants to be with a significant other who isn't right for you?

Let's say you're finally done singing the blues and ready to move on. Making the right choice the next time around is important. You want to find someone with whom you are compatible and who shares your values. So where do you go to meet your potential new love?

As a divorce attorney for 25 years, I maintain that where you meet someone is a key indicator of whether the person will turn out to be a sensible choice.

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Believe it or not, there are ideal places to search for romance -- and just as many places you should avoid. In my book, "[Divorce: It's All About Control -- How to Win the Emotional, Psychological and Legal Wars](#)," I have included a chapter of Top 10 lists, two of which address where to meet someone and where not to go.

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Top 10 worst places to meet someone new after a split

10. Laundromat (if a person doesn't have his/her own washer and dryer by now or live in place that has a laundry room, that could be very telling)

9. A bar where divorced singles congregate



8. **Your attorney's office lobby** (the other divorcee you are suddenly attracted to needs time to "unpack" his/her baggage)

7. **The water cooler at work**

6. **Parking garage**

5. **Anger management class**

4. **Alcoholics Anonymous**

3. **Fast food restaurant**

2. **In the car next to you**

1. **Jail**

Top 10 best places to meet someone new after a split

10. **Your best friend's wedding** (it doesn't matter how many he/she has had)

9. **Headquarters of your favorite political candidate**

8. **Your local home improvement or hardware store** (women can never find what they need, so the men cruising the aisles are easy recruits for assistance)

7. **Your personal trainer's studio**

6. **Someone else's office, not yours**

5. **On a ski lift**

4. **Through a reputable dating service** that is known for finding perfect matches

3. **Self-help seminar** for those who have recently broken up

2. **Your place of worship**

1. **Sting concert** (people of all ages attend them)

One of the most positive ways to meet that someone new is through friends or family, the ones who know you really well. They often do the "screening" for you, are genuinely interested in seeing you happy for the long term, and who won't let you make the same mistake twice (or three or four times!). If they've made good choices when it comes to love, follow them. Go where they go!

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