**The Single Sailor’s Handbook to Marital Pursuit**

**Introduction**

In many cultures, the ultimate culmination of these relationships is matrimony. However, arriving at that point does take some preparation and careful consideration. It is a widely-held belief that the human quest for fulfillment in life is realized within marriage, but only after appropriate research and meticulous courting can this come to fruition. All you need is the will to establish proper courting behaviors that will not only help you secure a suitable partner, but enable your relationship to endure from the early years into the marriage itself. There are many fish in the sea, and not all are of the same quality. You can only know which will be right for you if you are willing to cast the hook.

**Required Steps**

**Establishing Appropriate Criteria**

* Determine what matters most in your prospective spouse—Wealth and high societal status are the foundation of all successful relationships, but only you can decide what type of attributes you hope to discover in your partner
* List these attributes on paper, then print off an obscene amount of flyers and distribute them to every person you have even the most vague inclination toward
* Interview each one by asking probing questions about their career, income, and other forms of external validation that may be present in their life

\*If they refuse to answer your inquiries, you may safely assume they do not meet your designated criteria and move on

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**Appearance**

* Invest in bodily maintenance and physical attractiveness by working out excessively and trying faddish diets
* Spend excessive amounts of time and money on cosmetic products and procedures in order to demonstrate your sense of self-worth
* Purchase brand-name clothing to convey the import of social status and popular approval in your relationship

\*Remember, there is nothing vain about being enamored with yourself, because the ideal partner will be equally invested in maintaining their own appearance

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**Full Disclosure**

* Bemoan past relationships and express sadness for their loss
* Complain about your boss and fellow co-workers
* Confide embarrassing family secrets
* Discuss the number of children you would like to have
* Confess to the amount of credit card debt accumulated on your last shopping trip

\*First dates and dinnertimes are ideal occasions for full disclosure; in sharing the private details of your own life, your partner will inevitably be compelled to share their own equally awkward particulars

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**Expectations**

* Establish expectations early on
* Critique your partner’s people skills in front of people
* Reject their moral values and replace them with your own
* Dismiss their choice of attire and suggest appropriate alternatives
* Insult their favorite political candidates

\*Communicate your displeasure with unmet expectations with clarity and abrasiveness. Use of manipulation, shaming, and other inherently disrespectful behaviors will be sure to not only get your point across, but also guilt them into making the necessary adjustments

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**Conflict Resolution**

* Address conflicts frequently and with brutal honesty
* Shout and use a derisive tone in conversation
* Slam doors as loudly as possible
* Display hostile body language
* Insist you are right in every situation

\*Such behaviors will not only ensure conflicts and drama continue to occur at increasing levels of intensity and frequency, but will also help weed out anyone from the fish bowl who is not reasonable enough to understand the proper way of asserting yourself

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**Conclusion**

**Key points to remember:**

* Be true to yourself by prioritizing the attributes detailed in this handbook—Wealth and status are paramount in securing a suitable companion
* Keep yourself well-groomed and maintain a despicable level of vanity that is matched by your partner
* Share every detail of your life early on so as to build confidence in each other
* Make your expectations known and use proper methods to enforce adherence to said expectations
* Resolve conflicts peacefully by acting on feelings of anger and making your displeasure obvious in order to accustom your future spouse to your fits of petulance

Allow your goal to consume every aspect of your life and replace other important pursuits, relationships, and career opportunities. Others may question your intentions or sanity, but don’t allow their reluctance to dissuade you from continuing the search for the perfect partner. With these methods, you are sure to get on swimmingly with the finest types and ride the tide to a healthy marriage in no time.