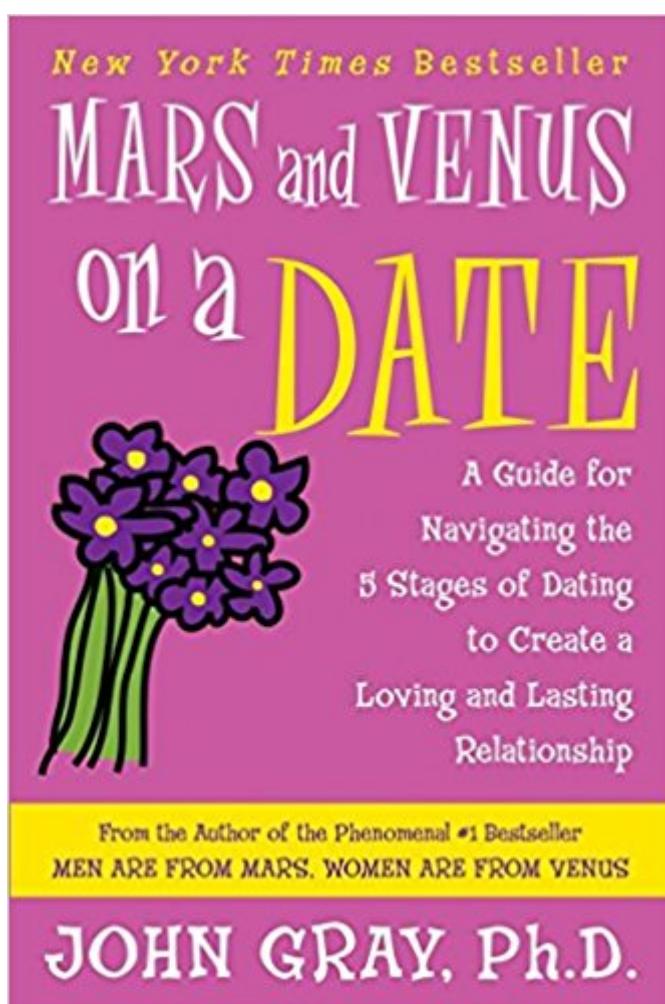


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# Mars And Venus On A Date: A Guide For Navigating The 5 Stages Of Dating To Create A Loving And Lasting Relationship



## Synopsis

Will I Ever Find My Soul Mate? Whether you are recently separated, divorced, or you have been in the singles scene for longer than you want, this insightful guide will help you navigate the dating maze and find that special person you've been waiting for. By discussing the differences between men and women, *Mars and Venus on a Date* provides singles with: A thorough understanding of the five stages of dating -- attraction, uncertainty, exclusivity, intimacy, and engagement; How to know what kind of person is right for you; Answers to burning questions such as why don't men call, or why do some women stay single? The best places to meet your soul mate; And advice on creating a loving and mutually fulfilling relationship. Filled with practical guidelines, inventive techniques, and witty insight, *Mars and Venus on a Date* will help single men and women explore the world of dating, understand how to make good choices, and discover the secret to finding a soul mate.

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## Customer Reviews

The latest tentacle of John Gray's formidable Mars and Venus octopus deals with a topic near to the heart of almost everybody--dating. With a lot of insight and common sense, Gray tackles the hard and often messy business of finding "a soul mate." Without fear or favor, *Mars and Venus on a Date* dissects the dynamics between men and women and the five stages each relationship must pass through: attraction, uncertainty, exclusivity, intimacy, and, finally, engagement (for marriage, of course). Even though *Mars and Venus on a Date* isn't *The Rules* by a long shot, the courtship it describes is surprisingly old-fashioned. It's chock-full of things your mother might say: "Most people find or are found by their soul mates when they are not really looking." "The man should never talk

more than the woman." But how to know if the person you're with is your "soul mate?" Gray writes, "When our soul wants to marry our partner, it feels like a promise that we came into this world to keep." Which translates into, "When you know, you know." --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Excellent information. I found some of it a little repetitive, but Dr. Gray really does do an amazing job of explaining how men and women are so different. I think this is really good information for anyone who has ever just been totally perplexed by why a date they thought went great never amounted to anything :) The different stages really made sense to me. And I understood why skipping through some is not productive to a longterm relationship in the end. Great information for single AND married people.

This is perhaps the most important book ever written. Why such a strong statement you ask? With out a good foundation in your relationship your happiness meter with be on low. Boost your happiness with great relation-ship skills that this book teaches. A must read for all young adults. Please save yourself all the mistakes and suffering they cause. READ this book with a highlighter!! Study it as if your happiness depends on it....it does! Good for men and women over 16 years old. When I read this book for the first time I was amazed at the authors knowledge. John Gray understands men and women and he needs to be sainted for this work.

It was a helpful book to read about how to weather the ups and downs of playing the "dating game." Which is something I needed after trying to start dating again after a ten year relationship ended. One thing to note, this book is all about building **HEALTHY** lasting relationships through the five stages of dating. If you're reading this book hoping for answers, and you're in a casual relationship (i.e., Friends with Benefits, Booty Calls, Unavailable, etc...) stop now... This book will not help you. Read *Mr. Unavailable* and *the Fallback Girl* instead.

I am a 43 year old widow I returned to the dating world 8 months ago, after 18 wonderful years of marriage and two years of grieving. I found myself feeling like I was 16 again trying to figure out what men were thinking. I have probably been on 50 first dates, 2 dozen third dates, with only 5

men making the cut past a third date. I thought I may be interested in perspective relationships with 2 of the 5. Things didn't work out with the first and I see things headed that way with the second guy. I was beginning to think I was just wanting what I could not have. This book taught me what I am doing wrong with men I am really interested in... I have a tendency to give too much and try to please them. It explained to me why I had 48 men, I had only received from, relentlessly pursuing me. The 2 men I was giving and catering to didn't seem to be as interested in me..Mars and Venus on a Date: A Guide for Navigating the 5 Stages of Dating to Create a Loving and Lasting RelationshipÂ is dated and very repetitive, but gives you the big picture on how men think and what fulfills them in a relationship. So many women these days don't know how to be feminine on the inside. We have learned to go after what we want in life and this carries over into dating and relationships. This book is a good reminder it is feminine energy and behavior that attracts and keeps a man interested. Human instinct makes men want to be hunters, providers and protectors. Allowing them to do what they are genetically programed for makes them feel successful and happy. Yes, the book is old fashioned and out dated but a good reminder that what works in our careers doesn't apply to relationships with men. Overall I found myself bored with the book, however I acquired some very useful information from reading it.

Mars and Venus on a Date is more insight into how men and women look at the world differently. I haven't put these nuggets of insight into use long enough to verify that they will greatly improve one's dating life. Here are some pros & cons (from the guy perspective):  
Cons:- The book was published in '97 so it is a bit dated. E.g.: There is a strong theme of "Men are the active pursuers, and women are the reactive receptors." This also disagrees with the cliche', "A man chases a woman until she catches him."- The over-emphasis on looking for a "soul mate".- The description of the progressive stages of physical intimacy using the "First base through home run" analogy reminds me of my high school days, and therefore seems a bit juvenile.  
Pros:- The basic theme that men and women look at dating differently. We need to see the world from the other person's perspective.- The more successful women get in business, the more they need a safe haven emotionally.- The "Soul mate" concept helps explain the intangible, undefinable, facet of attraction.- Men approach dating similar to a job interview and are therefore "selling". They will be more successful if they approach it as an interactive "sharing" experience.

I bought this book over 4 years ago after many failed relationships. I read it several times and decided to apply the philosophy to my next date. Well it worked because we've now been married

almost 2 years. It seemed like everything unfolded just as the book said it would. I highly recommend it to all!

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