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## His & Her Matching Wedding Bands

By Melissa Core

It is a tradition that is perhaps thousands of years old and which has roots in many different and diverse cultures. A large number of newlyweds choose to have matching wedding bands which to present each other with at their wedding ceremony. The custom of having matching wedding bands is about as ancient as the idea of a wedding itself, and continues to this day in many parts of the world.

Many couples will purchase their matching wedding bands from a retail jewelry store. The selection will vary from retailer to retailer depending on where you shop. Generally speaking there will be a wide array of choices available limited only by the amount of money that one is willing to spend. The bands of choice can be anything from simple gold bands to elaborate designs encrusted with jewels. Most local retailers will have a good selection of matching wedding bands, shop around to get the best price. Another terrific site for jewelry related items is

<http://www.thejewelrydelivery.com>

. I find the information

here very useful.

If a couple decide to have matching wedding bands they may choose to design it themselves. This added touch will make the matching wedding bands as unique as their relationship is. The soon to be married couple may contact and consult with an expert jeweler who does jewelry design. The Designer will take their ideas and thoughts on the design of the rings and create a work of art to reflect the couples individual personality.

When a couple goes through the effort to hire an expert designer it is important to them that the finished rings reflect their desires and personality. In this situation the rings may not end up being exactly matching wedding bands. Generally even in matching wedding bands the mens ring is usually wider than the womans. Often the brides ring may become more elaborate, with the addition of stones to the design.

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It is possible that the design could include precious, or semi-precious stones, potentially anything from emeralds to zirconium, but most popular is the diamond. In the diamond selection alone there can be endless variation alone. There is also the choice of what metal to have the matching wedding bands made from. Choices include the popular gold, available in white and yellow, to platinum and silver.

Another way couples can purchase their matching wedding bands is from an on line jewelery seller. It is important to check the reputation of the store before you make any purchases from any on line retailer. Be careful to minimize the risk of identity theft. Buying from an on line jeweler can save you money. The on line jewelers don't have the overhead of a physical store and can sell for lower prices often. They may also provide a wider selection of matching wedding bands in one location.

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### **Choosing Wedding Rings**

**By George Meszaros**

Wedding rings may or may not be selected the same time the engagement ring is purchased. The bride and groom usually mutually select wedding rings. Buying the wedding rings is a serious purchase, and it should be done with careful consideration. While the engagement ring is often a surprise purchase, the bride and groom make the purchase of the wedding rings together.

Brides and grooms often choose matching wedding rings. The groom's ring is usually wider and heavier than the bride's. Wedding bands are mostly made of yellow or white gold, but platinum is also popular. Platinum is very durable, but heavier than gold. If you want to have a platinum ring, be ready that it will be heavier than a gold ring.

Rings can take many different shapes and designs. A narrow ring is better fitting for a small hand than wider ring. A wide wedding band would be great for someone with longer fingers and a larger hand. You won't know until you see it. Make sure you try several different thicknesses. The most important characteristic of a wedding ring is comfort. Since you will be wearing it most of the time, you should make sure that it is comfortable. If you buy a ring that is too wide or too narrow or too heavy, you will not enjoy wearing it.

In an attempt to personalize them, wedding rings are often engraved with dates and names. In addition, wedding rings are often engraved with inscriptions such as "Truly, Madly, Deeply" and "Love Always." Before you decide on the inscription, make sure you understand how many characters will fit on the rings.

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While wedding rings were usually simple gold bands in the past, they have become more ornate jewels in the present. Wedding rings can be any carat. In some countries wedding bands are mostly 22 carat, while other countries favor 18–carat gold.

If you are more adventurous, you and your fiancée may opt for a tattooed wedding ring. As it is true with tattoos in general, they are permanent, So, if there is any chance of you outgrowing the need to have a ring tattooed on your finger, you may want to pass on this one.

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