

## **The Top 10 Dating Sites**

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Looking for someone? Ever considered using a dating site to meet people? Dating sites are now the second most popular way couples meet. There are a lot of people who try them out, yet some of us are still a little leery of them. To add to the uneasiness some of us have about dating sites, now there are more sites than ever. How do you choose?

Here are the top ten dating sites and a little information about each. Don't forget to check them out before you go out. A little [background check on your date](#) or additional information can help you check them out, before you go out.

### **Match.com**

Match.com has been around for quite some time and seems to be a pioneer in the dating industry. They launched on the web back in 1995. Now they are the number one dating site. They service 24 countries and host sites in 15 different languages. Users can include up to 26 photos in their profiles and select preferences for who they are looking for. Users get instant access to other users in their area or in any area of interest.

### **Zoosk**

Zoosk is one of the fastest growing dating sites. It integrates with social networks and has a smartphone application. It began as a Facebook application in 2007 and has since grown to become one of the largest online dating sites. It's popular with younger dating crowd and has over 50 million users.

### **eHarmony.com**

eHarmony is a little more on the sophisticated side. It takes the work out of finding your match. There is a comprehensive personality test each user takes to help them find singles based on compatibility. The site is so popular and successful that it accounts for two percent of United States marriages. Astonishingly, an average of over 500 couples get married every day in the United States as a result of eHarmony matches.

### **ChristianMingle.com**

Christian Mingle focuses on Christian singles. They provide singles within certain faiths the best matches. On Christian Mingle, users have the opportunity to interact with like-minded individuals. It is the largest dating site devoted to devout Christians. A user sets up a profile with all of their interests and what type of person they are looking for. They are then free to roam the site for their perfect match, as well as be sought out by other users that are interested.

## **OurTime.com**

OurTime.com is exclusively for singles that are ages 50 and older who are looking for relationships. The site has great features and an easy sign-up. The user-friendly layout is very helpful for its mature user base. A user puts in criteria that they are looking for in a mate and the search will return users that match the criteria in the specified area selected.

## **Chemistry.com**

Chemistry.com is a partner with Match.com. The site features personalized options and chemistry tests. It is similar to eHarmony, but has a smaller user base. It is a great choice for commitment-minded singles.

## **BlackPeopleMeet.com**

Black People Meet is the largest online dating site for African-American singles. The site is visited by four percent of the United States population of African-Americans monthly. The site offers free trials and easy search capabilities. It also allows singles within any race or ethnicity.

## **SpeedDate**

SpeedDate.com is a site where users can go on five minute online "dates" with local singles. They do so via instant messenger or video chat. These short dates let users determine who they would like to go on a real date with. The site has a little over 300,000 users and browsing is free for the first seven days.

## **AdultFriendFinder**

AdultFriendFinder.com isn't a site about making friends. It isn't a site focused on long term relationships either. Nevertheless, AdultFriendFinder makes the top 10 list of dating sites with over 25 million visits per month. The site is about finding short-term "hookups" rather than serious long-term relationships.

## **SeniorPeopleMeet.com**

SeniorPeopleMeet.com has just shy of 2.5 million visits a month. The site is for singles ages 55 and older who are looking for a range of relationships, from deep relationships to casual dates. The site features unique navigation tools that make it easy for users to communicate. Even a mature audience can feel safe on the site with its user friendly features. The site offers a free trial that lets new users search people in their area.

The days of wondering where you can meet your soul mate are over; with the variety of sites available for finding a match, someone is sure to find that special somebody. Of course, caution should always be used when meeting a date in person for the first time. Be sure that somebody knows where you are meeting and you should always meet in a public place until you are completely comfortable.

If you are single and looking to mingle but still want to be safe. It's always best to "check them out,

before you go out" so conducting a background check is quite common in the dating world. Wouldn't it be nice to know a little about someone, especially if they have any [criminal records](#) or [if they are a home owner](#) or not. Depending on what you're looking for most people don't include these details in a dating profile.