

OUR JOURNEY TO ADOPTION

mark + max



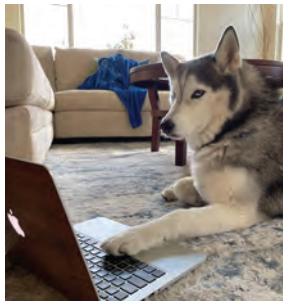
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about us

Our journey together began ten years ago. Max was a senior in college studying film production, and Mark was well into his career in public relations. Since the day we met, we've been inseparable. We have been blessed with loving families that have supported our love since the very beginning. We got married in 2018 at a beautiful historic theater and purchased our first home together in 2021 in Southern California. Max runs his own film production company and works as a health and safety supervisor in the entertainment industry. Mark is the director of marketing at one the largest community college districts in California. We love traveling, going to the movies, doing home improvements, cooking healthy meals, working out, and spoiling our Siberian husky, Luna. In 2023 we will celebrate our five-year wedding anniversary and look forward to growing our family.



our home + pets

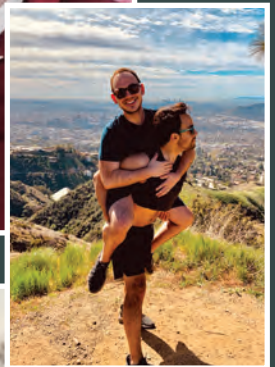
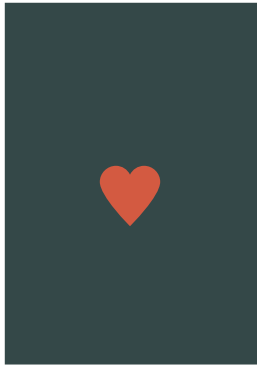
We had the opportunity to move out of the big city and into a brand-new suburban community. We love our new two-story home, which sits in a quiet cul-de-sac with gorgeous mountain views. Mark's cousin lives a mile up the road, and his best friend lives a mile in the opposite direction. We love that our neighborhood is new, quiet, and in close proximity to our family and friends. Luna, our Siberian husky, also loves her new home. We walk her twice a day to the nearby dog park. We are surrounded by excellent school districts and are lucky to be centrally located and only an hour's drive to the beach, desert and mountain resorts.

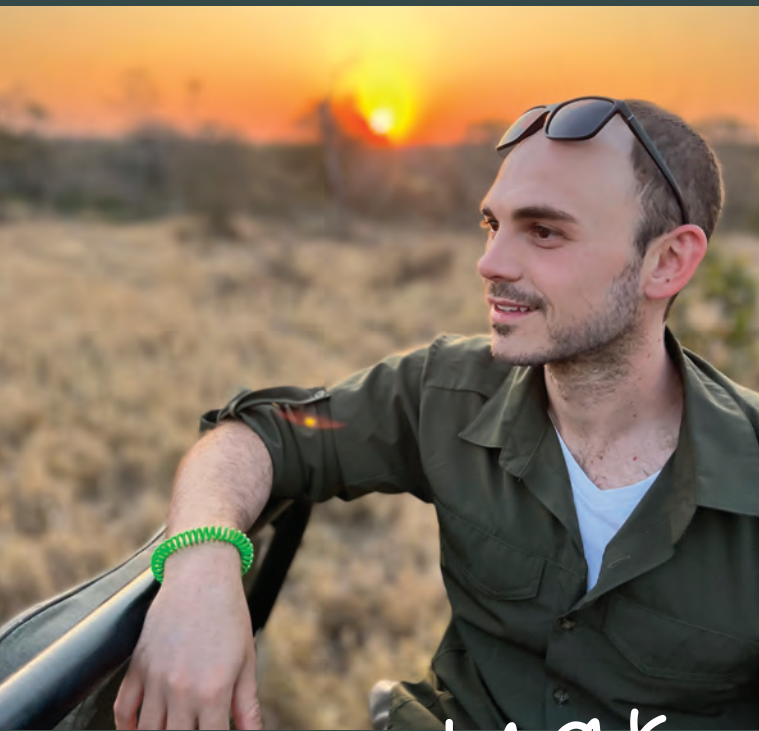


what led us to adoption

The desire to become parents is something we have both shared and openly discussed throughout our relationship. Now that we have arrived at a point in our lives where we feel emotionally and financially ready, we are eager to welcome a child into our lives through adoption. Mark grew up with a younger cousin who was adopted and, from a young age, witnessed firsthand how a family could grow and be enriched in such a beautiful way. We both spent a couple years educating ourselves on the different pathways to parenthood. It quickly became clear that our hearts were set on adoption. We believe every child is a gift and a miracle, and we want nothing more than to be a part of that miracle.

OUR PHOTO ALBUM





max

Occupation: Film producer
Education: Bachelor of Fine Arts
Race: Caucasian
Religion: Interfaith
Sport: Tennis
Food: French fries
Hobby: Traveling
Family Tradition: Thanksgiving week
Musical Group: Jonas Brothers
Movie: *The Lion King*
Dream Vacation: Japan
Holiday: Halloween
TV Show: *Breaking Bad*
Subject in School: Math
Book: *Hardwiring Happiness*



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MORE ABOUT US

Occupation: Director of marketing
Education: Master of Science
Race: Hispanic
Religion: Interfaith
Sport: Cycling
Food: Nachos
Hobby: Working out
Family Tradition: Annual summer picnic
Musical Group: The 1975
Movie: *Jurassic Park*
Dream Vacation: Italy
Holiday: Christmas
TV Show: *I Love Lucy*
Subject in School: English
Book: *The Great Gatsby*



One of the things we realized we had in common early on was our family dynamics. We both come from medium-sized extended families (about 20 members in total) that are very tradition oriented.

Max's immediate and extended family is primarily on the East Coast. We enjoy traveling to Atlanta every Thanksgiving to spend a week with Max's mom, sister, aunts, uncles, and cousins. We also look forward to visiting Max's dad's side of the family each year, whether in Florida where they live, or at a fun vacation destination.

Since we live in Mark's home state, we see Mark's family more regularly. Mark is an only child and considers his cousins the closest thing he has to siblings. In fact, their children refer to us as Uncle Mark and Uncle Max. We have an annual summer picnic with Mark's side of the family and celebrate Christmas, birthdays, and every holiday in between together.



We can't even begin to imagine how difficult this decision must be for you and everyone involved. We hope our profile was able to bring you a sense of comfort as you explore the best possible options for you and your baby.

We have both dreamed of becoming parents since we were young, and thanks to incredibly selfless and courageous women such as yourself, we have the opportunity to live one of our dreams. But we understand there are multiple lives and considerations at play during this process, and we do not take any of it lightly. We sincerely respect you for this life decision you are making and want to ensure that you feel 100 percent comfortable every step of the way.

We both know what it is like to grow up feeling a little different. When we discussed the adoption process and becoming parents ourselves, we vowed to each other that we would always go the extra mile to ensure our child knows they were made perfectly to be loved and that they have every opportunity to pursue whatever life path they are called to follow. Know that if you choose us to raise your child, we will be there to support them, encourage them, teach them, guide them, and, most of all, love them unconditionally.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your consideration.

Be well,

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