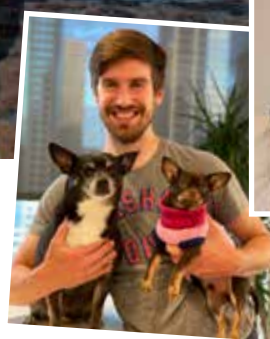




OUR JOURNEY TO
ADOPTION

Aydrien
& **Matt**





about us

We're Matt (he/him) and Aydrien (she/her), a couple deeply in love and on the path to parenthood. Our story kicked off in 2017 with a connection that was deep and immediate, setting the stage for the life we're building together. Matt, Aydrien's rock and calm anchor, works in internal auditing and data science, while Aydrien is a designer for a luxury fashion brand. Matt's steady support has been everything as Aydrien has embraced her true self. Together, we've built a home filled with love, acceptance, and resilience—values we're thrilled to pass down to our future child. Our flexible careers mean we work from home, soaking up those little moments and getting ready for this next chapter. Parenthood has been our dream since day one, and we're so ready to pour our love into guiding, nurturing, and supporting a future kid.

our home + pets

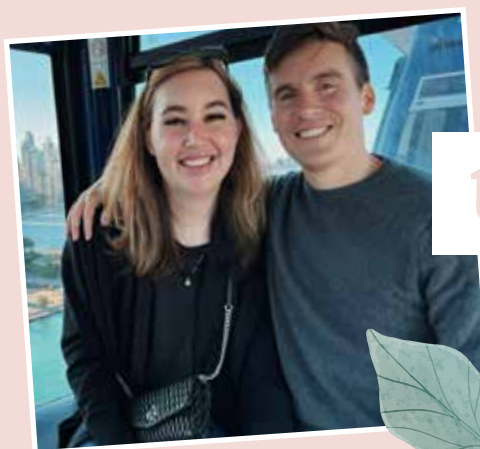
Our home in the heart of one of America's largest cities is warm, welcoming, and ready for a little one. We chose this neighborhood for its vibrant community, diversity, parks, museums, and family-friendly environment, all within reach of our doorstep. Our home offers five bedrooms, four baths, and, most importantly, three loving dogs—Martin, Manolo, and Lolli—who are gentle, playful, and excited for a new family member to love and protect. We've built a space that's safe, cozy, filled with joy, and ready to echo the sounds of laughter and the pitter-patter of little feet.

what led us to adoption

Thank you from the depths of our hearts for considering us. We knew early in our relationship that we both wanted to be parents, inspired by the love, values, and compassion our own parents instilled in us. Watching our nephew grow has only deepened our yearning to be parents ourselves. We long for the simple moments—baking banana bread, exploring new places, and walking hand in hand to school. The opportunity to love and nurture a child, to be there through every moment of their life, is the most beautiful gift we can imagine. We promise to honor this journey with love, respect, and a deep commitment to giving your child the best life we can.



**photos
of our
life
together**



Aydrien



OCCUPATION: Senior User Experience Designer

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Business Administration

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Christian Spiritual

SPORT: Running

FOOD: Smoothie bowls

HOBBY: Tarot, painting, plant care, writing

FAMILY TRADITION: Beach trips

MUSICAL GROUP: Aretha Franklin

MOVIE: *Elf*

DREAM VACATION: Hawaii

HOLIDAY: Christmas

TV SHOW: *For All Mankind*

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Art

BOOK: *Daring Greatly*

OCCUPATION: Senior Data Analytics Manager

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Arts in Economics

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Christian Spiritual

SPORT: Baseball

FOOD: Mediterranean

HOBBY: Gardening, running, reading

FAMILY TRADITION: Games on Easter

MUSICAL GROUP: Washed Out

MOVIE: *Clue*

DREAM VACATION: Mediterranean

HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving

TV SHOW: *Mad Men*

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: History

BOOK: *Pillars of the Earth*

Matt





our family & traditions

Our family is our greatest source of love and support and is thrilled to welcome a child. Matt's large family has given us countless memories and traditions to share with our future child. Though Matt lost both parents to cancer, their legacy endures through recipes, stories, and humor, which we'll keep alive for our child.

Aydrien's family, though smaller, is equally warm and welcoming. Her parents, who live in Mississippi, often stay in our home's in-law suite and are eager to be doting grandparents. Both of us have a loving brother who is excited to welcome a new nephew.

Our family traditions start at Easter with a potluck, games, and prizes. Each May, we join Aydrien's family on the Gulf Coast for a week of love, food, and relaxation. As a queer couple, Pride Month in June brings our Pride Party, parades, and festivals. In July, we head to Michigan for cookouts and watersports. We try to visit Hawaii between Thanksgiving and Christmas to escape the Midwest cold. We spend Christmas in Mississippi, where Uncle Bam fries the turkey, Papa bakes his pineapple upside-down cake, and GG serves her famous sweet tea and stuffing as we watch holiday classics like *Elf* and *Christmas Vacation*.





dear expectant mother

We want to start by expressing our deep admiration and respect for you. We know the decision you're considering is incredibly challenging and comes from a place of profound love and courage. Thank you for considering us as potential parents for your precious child. Your strength in this moment is truly inspiring, and we hold immense gratitude for the possibility of connecting with you.

Becoming parents has been our greatest dream since we first met, and we've spent years building a life full of love, compassion, and understanding in preparation for the arrival of our future child. We can't wait to embrace the journey of parenthood—the ups, the downs, and every beautiful moment in between. The thought of nurturing, guiding, and cherishing a child fills our hearts with joy and purpose.

We vow to provide a safe, supportive, and loving environment in a home filled with laughter, learning, and endless support. As parents, our commitment is to honor the love you have for your child, to respect their roots, and to celebrate their unique identity as they grow. We will tell them about the remarkable mother who brought them into this world with such courage and strength.

With all our love and respect,

Matt + Aydrien



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