

*building our
FAMILY*

Ricky + Giuseppe



our STORY

We met at a popular beach hangout after talking online for a few weeks. The spot we met at was loud and not really the best place to have a first conversation, so we walked to a hotel bar close by and continued to get to know each other. We realized we had a lot in common, and it was also the first time we discussed having a family as something very important to us. After our initial meeting, we met every day after that for several weeks, and we've now been together for over ten years! Giuseppe is an accountant, and Ricky is a hair stylist. We both own our own business, and we both enjoy working out, going on walks, hanging out by the pool, or trying new restaurants. We visit family and friends as much as possible! Family is very important to both of us.

our home

We live at the center of a major city and are therefore close to parks, shopping, restaurants, museums, and the arts. There are lots of nearby activities for kids in the neighborhood. We border the arts district in our city, and there is a very strong culture of modern art here. Additionally, we live close to beautiful beaches where many people vacation at all times of the year. There are also many good-quality daycares, preschools, and private schools within walking distance of our home. Many of them teach foreign languages, like French, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish. Both of us are within walking distance of our businesses and are fortunate enough to be able to walk to work.

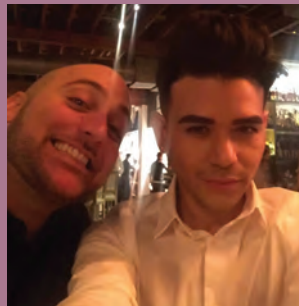


what led us to adoption

We are very excited to be on the path to adoption! There were many signs while making our decision to reassure us we were making the right one. When there are so many coincidences in a row, are they really coincidences? We always knew we wanted a family, and we know we would provide a great home for any child. We are extremely excited to start a family and know many other families who have adopted children. These friends and family members have given us a lot of support and advice about their own journeys, and knowing we have the right type of support to move forward has put our minds at ease.



our life
TOGETHER





get to
KNOW...

Giuseppe

OCCUPATION: Accountant

EDUCATION: Master's degree

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Catholic

SPORT: Tennis

FOOD: Salads, Sushi, Italian, Mexican

HOBBY: Studying foreign language

TRADITION: Making pretzels on Christmas Eve

MUSICAL GROUP: House

MOVIE: Star Trek, Star Wars

DREAM VACATION: Amsterdam, New Zealand

HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving

TV SHOW: American Dad, Family Guy

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Social studies

BOOK: Under the Tuscan Sun

Ricky

OCCUPATION: Hair stylist

EDUCATION: Occupational license

RACE: Hispanic

RELIGION: Spiritual/not practicing

FOOD: Sushi, Italian, Mexican

HOBBY: Dancing

TRADITION: Making Pasteles for Christmas

MUSICAL GROUP: All types of genres

MOVIE: The First Wives Club, The Birdcage

DREAM VACATION: France, Italy, Greece

HOLIDAY: Halloween

TV SHOW: Friends, Seinfeld, Law & Order

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Theater

BOOK: The Glass Castle



our families +

TRADITIONS

We both have very large extended families but small immediate families. Giuseppe has two younger brothers; one is five years younger and has a one-year-old daughter, and the other is 14 years younger. Giuseppe's mother is one of 11 children, and Giuseppe is the oldest of 30 grandchildren on her side of the family. Giuseppe's dad is one of five children, and Giuseppe is the second oldest of 11 grandchildren on that side of the family. We are close to all our extended family and try to get together for large family reunions every year. It is a lot of fun and controlled chaos.

Ricky is the oldest of four children; he has one younger brother and two younger sisters. Everyone is very close, and we often get together for Christmas every year. Ricky's mother is very loving and active in everyone's lives, and she is excited to come stay with us to help out when we have a baby.



Dear expectant mother,

Thank you for taking the time to look at our profile. We know you will be considering many different families, and our hope is that you will read through our profile and know who we truly are and get to know us a bit more. It has always been a very important part of who we are as individuals (and as a couple) to have a family. Something (or someone) has been telling us adoption is the right decision for us to achieve this dream, so...here we are!

Just a little about us: We both work very hard but make it a point to always spend quality time with each other and our families. We love spending time outdoors and occasionally staying in and watching TV on a lazy Sunday. Living in a place where the environment is so beautiful makes it difficult to not get outside. Walking our neighborhood is a favorite weekend activity, and we can't wait to add a stroller!

We are so grateful you have considered us as a couple. Giving us the opportunity to be a family is the greatest gift we could ever ask for, and we are so honored to have this chance. We look forward to forming a connection and sharing more about who we are and the type of home we have (and hope for) with the addition of a child.

With love,

Giuseppe + Ricky



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