

MEN ARE LIKE FISH

SPECIAL REPORT

FAVORITE FISHING HOLES

WHERE THE BIG ONES ARE BITING!

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What Every Woman Needs To Know About Catching A Man

Steve Nakamoto: Author's Biography

Steve Nakamoto is a former human relationships/communications instructor for Dale Carnegie & Associates and a Mastery University personal development trainer (7 years) for world-renowned motivational and peak performance expert Anthony Robbins.

His ten years in the travel industry as a professional international tour director has also provided countless opportunities (34 cruises, 30 Club Med Villages, and over 200 motorcoach sightseeing tours) to closely observe social interactions between married and single women and men of various ages, backgrounds, and cultures.

Mr. Nakamoto's thirteen-year experience in the retail florist business (FTD Top 500 Ranked Retail Store) also gives him a unique perspective on how people express their love with flowers, cards, and gifts.

His first book, *Men Are Like Fish: What Every Woman Needs to Know About Catching a Man* received Honorable Mention recognition in the *Writer's Digest 2000 National Self-Published Non-Fiction Book Awards*. That book went on to sell foreign translation rights to Taiwan, Spain, Korea, Japan, Israel, Romania, Russia, Thailand, Estonia, and the Czech Republic.

On September 23, 2004, *Men Are Like Fish* reached bestseller status by climbing to the #43 position on Amazon.com's National Sales Ranks. For the last 3 years, it has been a perennial Top 5 Dating book on Amazon.com's daily ranking system.

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Currently, Steve serves as the dating/relationship expert on *iVillage.com's* popular "Ask Mr. Answer Man" message boards where he advises women of all ages from around the world on everyday love challenges. 2008 marks the 5th consecutive year that *iVillage.com* has had Steve on their advisor staff.

Steve's book titled, *Dating Rocks! The 21 Smartest Moves Women Make For Love*, is the result of new distinctions learned from the many years of service as *iVillage.com's* Mr. Answer Man. This book won a *Writer's Digest* International Book award in 2006 as well as being a *USABookNews.com* Book Award finalist in 2007.

The newest book from Steve is titled, *Talk Like A Winner! 21 Simple Rules For Achieving Everyday Communication Success*. It was released in May of 2008.

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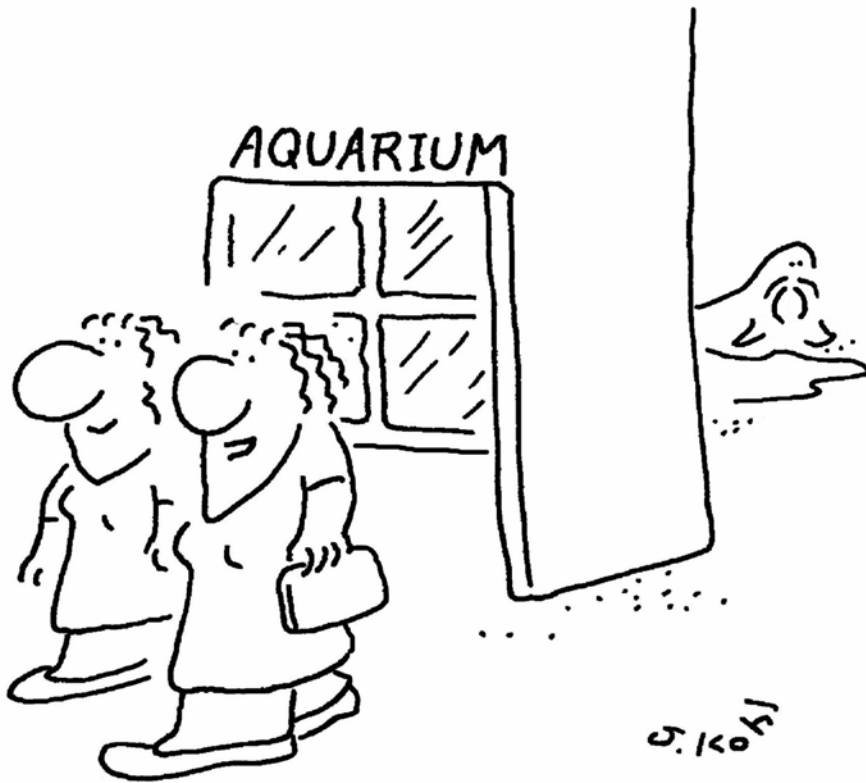
Love relationships are not always easy. Anyone who wishes to succeed must expect to invest a lot of time and effort without any guarantee of success.

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**“Some men are not
that hard to catch.
It’s really more a
matter of them being
hard to find.”**



"Crabs, sharks, octopi, jellyfish, shrimp...
Reminds me of some of my dates."

FAVORITE FISHING HOLES

“Where the Big Ones Are Biting!”

“Most of the world is covered by water. A fisherman’s job is simple:
Pick out the best spots.”

Charles F. Waterman
Author of *Modern Fresh and Salt Water Fly Fishing* (1975)

Have you ever found yourself, like the country song says, “looking for love in all the wrong places?”

Dr. Joy Browne, a popular talk-show host and author of *Dating For Dummies*, wrote, “If you’re hanging out at Joe’s Pub or sitting on your fanny in front of the tube, the perfect date---someone who lights your fire, rings your chimes, or at least doesn’t make you nauseous---is gonna remain the stuff of fantasy instead of reality.”

Going to all the wrong places or not going out at all makes it very difficult to find true love. This is true for both men and women.

In my case, I used to go out to a bar called *Panama Joe’s Cantina* near my home in Long Beach, California. One day it occurred to me that in 7 or 8 years of going to that bar regularly on weekends, I’d only met one woman who I had any kind of dating relationship with. And while *Panama Joe’s Cantina* was a place that I could hangout at and relax, it wasn’t a place to spend serious social energies in.

In this Special Report, I’ve put together a collection of ideas for finding your “Favorite Fishing Holes” so you won’t be wasting your time fishing for love in all the wrong places. These ideas are based on the following fishing-relationship concepts:

- 1) Find a big school of hungry fish
- 2) Make sure your bait is simply irresistible
- 3) Get the fish comfortable so they’ll bite
- 4) Go fishing with great fishing buddies so it’s fun!

Dr. Natasha Josefowitz, author of *Paths of Power: A Woman’s Guide From First Job to Top Executive*, wrote, “What is luck? It is not only chance, it is also creating the opportunity, recognizing it when it is there, and taking it when it comes.”

To help you meet your “big fish” here is a collection of one-of-a-kind ideas to factor into your overall love strategy. Some ideas may not apply so be sure to reject those. But make a special note on those gems that might be useful for you.

Just remember that all you really need is a fresh start, more compassion for yourself, an unstoppable willingness to succeed, a dose of your own feminine creativity, a system that’s fun, and the wisdom to seek a little assistance from the other side (fish’s point-of-view).

The big fish are out there waiting to bite hard on the promise of true love---hook, line, and sinker. Sometimes the fish aren’t so difficult to catch, they’re just hard to find.

Good luck and Happy Fishing!

Steve

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FISHING HOLES: QUICK NOTES

WORK-RELATED: According to a U.S. News and World Report article dated December 14, 1998, “A third of all romances start on the job....Office romance is alive and well, despite a barrage of corporate counter-measures....Between 6 million and 8 million Americans enter into a romance with a fellow employee each year....About half of all office romances evolve into lasting relationships or marriage.”

SPORTS & OUTDOORS: Whether it’s playing the role of the fan or the participant, men of all ages take a special interest in sports and outdoor activities. You’ll find an abundance of men “nibbling” in this area.

EAT & DRINK: Another way that men pass the time together is in a restaurant, bar, pub, or club. While many of these activities may involve the consumption of alcohol, it’s not so much a matter of lifestyle as it is that men commonly like to “tip a cold one” together.

TRAVEL-RELATED: My favorite fishing holes in this area are weekend getaways and commuter business travel. That way you can catch men with their guard down and at their best, but without the risk of starting a heartbreaking long-distance romance.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES: Aside from sports, there are a lot of other activities that men like to do from time to time depending on the individual. Maybe you can find something interesting in this area to try out.

HOME & FRIENDS: Another likely place to make social connections is in your neighborhood or through your friends.

SHOPPING PLACES: While men and women tend to shop for a lot of different things, you can meet people easily by asking for their recommendations about products or services that you are unfamiliar with.

SINGLE PARENTS: If you’re a single parent, you can meet people through your kids and their activities. If you have more than one child, then you’ll have to be extra careful to avoid serious relationships with commitment-phobic single men.

RICH FISH: Wealthy men have most of their basic human needs taken care of. Smart women have to match their values and lifestyle while offering the intangible inner joy that only a woman can bring to a man.

QUOTATIONS ON OPPORTUNITY

“Opportunity rarely knocks on your door. Knock rather on opportunity’s door if you ardently wish to enter.”

B.C. Forbes

“Success doesn’t come to you... you go to it.”

Marva Collins

“Opportunities? They are all around us....There is power lying latent everywhere waiting for the observant eye to discover it.”

Orison Sweet Marden

“There are opportunities everywhere, just as there have always been.”

Charles Fillmore

“We don’t need more strength or more ability or greater opportunity. What we need is to use what we have.”

Basil S. Walsh

“Ask, and it shall be given you, and you shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.”

Bible, MATTHEW 7:7-8

“The lure of the distant and the difficult is deceptive. The great opportunity is where you are.”

John Burroughs

“The golden opportunity you are seeking is in yourself. It is not in your environment; it is not in luck or chance, or the help of others; it is in yourself alone.”

Orison Swett Marden

“Each problem has hidden in it an opportunity so powerful that it literally dwarfs the problem. The greatest success stories were created by people who recognized a problem and turned it into an opportunity.”

Joseph Sugarman

FISHING HOLES: WORK-RELATED

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Stop at the popular coffee stand near work
2. Take the elevator at work when it's busy
3. Time your walk from the parking lot to meet men
4. Take walking breaks around your workplace
5. Eat lunch at a restaurant where others like to go
6. Find the best deli in the area
7. Find the best Chinese lunch buffet in the area
8. Check out the local office buildings for a coffee break
9. Sit in the sun near work during the lunch hour
10. Work out at the local gym during your work break
11. Do your banking at a high-rise office building
12. Attend luncheon meetings and hear good speakers
13. Go to a breakfast meeting to hear good speakers
14. Take the public transportation that commuters use to work
15. Consider switching jobs to where men work
16. Take a part-time job where men go
17. Get involved in a football office pool
18. Play on the company's softball team
19. Go to lunch with other workers to try new places
20. Go to Happy Hour with co-workers
21. Go to the company picnics and Christmas parties
22. Go to continuing education classes and seminars
23. Get involved with a service club like the Kiwanis or Rotary Clubs
24. Join a networking club like LeTip
25. Join a network marketing organization and go to the meetings
26. Join Toastmasters and learn how to speak
27. Take the Dale Carnegie Course or a sales class
28. Go to trade shows
29. Work as a temporary or volunteer at a trade show
30. Start your own part-time business
31. If you have a business, advertise your services to men
32. Take a time-management, stress, or career class
33. Provide personal services for busy men
34. Learn how to be a bartender
35. Get into catering business lunches or corporate parties
36. Provide interior decorating services for men
37. Meet people from other companies in your office building
38. Join an investment club or take an investment class
39. Check on your stocks at lunch time at a brokerage house
40. Meet your company's suppliers and vendors

FISHING HOLES: SPORTS & OUTDOORS

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Attend or volunteer to work at a golf or tennis tournament
2. Play in a coed softball, bowling, or volleyball league
3. Enter a 10K race/walk and all the festivities afterwards
4. Attend a local high school or college football, hockey, basketball game
5. Take an aerobics, yoga, or exercise class that men are in
6. Hit a bucket of balls at the driving range
7. Find a popular jogging or cycling path
8. Learn to scuba dive, kayak, windsurf, water-ski, or jet ski
9. Join an active ski club & go on some trips
10. Go to the putting green at your local golf course
11. Take golfing or tennis lessons
12. Join a golf, racquetball, or tennis league/tournament
13. Go horseback riding
14. Learn to play a good game of billiards or throw darts
15. Ski on a busy weekend & take the singles lift line
16. Go bowling in the evening or on weekends
17. Join a cycling club or enter a race
18. Go to an auto race and all the festivities
19. Take a martial arts class
20. Join a health club that appeals to men
21. Shoot some hoops and play a game of "horse"
22. Go fishing at a popular fishing spot
23. Take fly-fishing lessons
24. Join the Sierra Club and go on hikes
25. Try white-water rafting
26. Go camping to a popular spot
27. Watch or take-up rock climbing
28. Take a sailing class
29. Go to a sailing regatta and all the festivities
30. Watch a triathlon or marathon race
31. Go to a boating or fishing show
32. Swim at a popular pool
33. Watch men playing pick-up basketball games
34. Watch men at the park throwing a Frisbee
35. Watch men playing touch football in the park
36. Watch an evening men's softball game
37. Attend an out-the-line baseball game
38. Go to a polo or rugby match
39. Go to a shooting range
40. Learn in-line skating

FISHING HOLES: EAT AND DRINK

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Go to a popular coffeehouse like Starbuck's and read a newspaper
2. Try lunch at a health foods store or go to a juice bar for a snack
3. Go to the best deli (according to men) in town
4. Eat at the place with the best Buffalo Wings in town
5. Go to a sushi bar or teppan restaurant
6. Go to a piano bar and sing-along
7. Go to an Internet cafe and check your email messages
8. Eat at sports venue restaurant before a game
9. Go to an Irish pub on St. Patrick's Day
10. Go to a neighborhood bar with an outgoing bartender
11. Find a good place for disco
12. Find a good place for country swing dancing
13. Have lunch at a sidewalk cafe on a sunny day
14. Have lunch at a golf or tennis country club
15. Eat at a popular oyster bar
16. Eat lunch at a place that is popular with businessmen
17. Go to the best Sunday brunch in town
18. Go out to where Monday Night Football has food and drink specials
19. Go out to a local hotspot on a Thursday night occasionally
20. Eat at museum's cafe for lunch or snack
21. Go to a place with karaoke singing nights
22. Go to a place with free appetizers for Happy Hour
23. Go to a popular sports bar to watch a game or boxing match
24. Have cappuccino at the best bakery in town for weekend breakfast
25. Go to the best microbrewery in town
26. Take a wine tasting tour
27. Find out who makes the best burger in town
28. Go to the best pizza place in town
29. Go to the best known cheap eateries in town
30. Eat at a restaurant in an area with lots of singles
31. Go to a chili cook-off contest
32. Visit all the trendy restaurants in the area
33. Go to the place that has the best margaritas
34. Find out who has the best martinis
35. Go to a bar or coffeehouse that makes great alcoholic coffee drinks
36. Eat at a place that is known for great late hour dining
37. Have breakfast or lunch in the business district on a weekday
38. Have breakfast where boaters, yachters, or fishermen go
39. Find the best ice cream place to go to on a hot summer evening
40. Eat lunch at the place in town with the best ribs or steaks

FISHING HOLES: TRAVEL-RELATED

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Ride the subway or bus to work
2. Go on a MatchTravel.com singles trip
3. Take a 3-day Caribbean or Mexican cruise
4. Go to Cabo San Lucas or Cancun in Mexico
5. Go to Maui in Hawaii
6. Take the shuttle to the airport
7. Get a seat in the business class section of the airplane
8. Get to the airport early to shop, drink or eat
9. Go to the private lounge at the airport
10. Take an overnight train ride
11. Sit in the dining car of a train
12. Fly during the weekdays when businessmen do
13. Take a ferry, subway, or train ride
14. Ride in a double-decker bus
15. Share a cab in a busy hotel area
16. See what conventions are in town
17. Stay in a hotel that caters to businessmen
18. Stay near the airport on weekdays, avoid on weekends
19. Stay at a hotel and not a motel
20. Eat breakfast in the restaurant at a business hotel
21. Go to a neighboring city for its annual festivals
22. See the circus, zoo, or aquarium
23. Go see a sporting event that's a 1/2 day's drive away
24. Go where singles like to go on weekends
25. Go stay with a fun friend in a city nearby
26. Take a guided city tour on a trolley car
27. Visit museums like science, history, or natural history
28. Join a travel group with lots of singles your age
29. Check out single travel websites for special events
30. Take an overnight bicycling trip
31. Go to a sports or fantasy sports camp
32. Go to a dude ranch
33. Take an adventure trek or safari
34. Go to a singles Club Med village
35. Go to a classic baseball field and see a game
36. Try a hostel for the night if you're under 35
37. Visit the wine country and do a tasting and tour
38. Stay at a popular lakeside or beachside resort
39. Stay at a popular wilderness or desert resort
40. Take a weekend bus ski trip

FISHING HOLES: LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Go to an antique car show, sports car show, or auto racing event
2. Go to a horse or car auction
3. Attend an auto racing event
4. Go to a performance driving school
5. Learn to fly an airplane
6. Take a skydiving class
7. Go to a military air show
8. Go to a model train show
9. Go to a war museum or memorabilia exhibit
10. Go to a sports collectibles or rare coin show
11. Visit a jazz or blues club or see an afternoon outdoor concert
12. Go to a concert early and meet other fans of the band
13. Take a dance class or teach one (swing or salsa)
14. Go to a place with a disco or country-swing night
15. Attend or compete in a dance contest
16. Attend a singles-only dance for people your age
17. Go to the county fair and see the exhibits that men like
18. See a historical reenactment on a holiday
19. See a popular play when it comes to town
20. Go early and get a seat for the annual parade in your town
21. Go to a casino and mix it up with other gamblers
22. Go to the racetrack and bet the ponies
23. Join a singles group & go to singles events
24. Join a booster club at your local university
25. Join a non-profit organization or start your own
26. Join a reading group and visit the bookstore often
27. Go to different church single groups in your area
28. Take a computer, e-commerce, or Internet class
29. Volunteer for humanitarian, youth, or environmental projects
30. Take part in health awareness seminars
31. Go to a pancake breakfast or casino night charity event
32. Be active in local politics or gather signatures for a petition
33. Checkout your local university's event schedule
34. Go to a political fund-raiser or attend a civic meeting
35. Take a night class on a subject area of interest to both men and women
36. Learn CPR or hear a lecture on health awareness
37. Take a home improvement or trade class
38. Take or teach a photography, acting, cooking, or any class that has men
39. Rent a moped, bicycle, or electric scooter
40. Check out the personal ads and dating services

FISHING HOLES: HOME & FRIENDS

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Move to an area where lots of singles live and work
2. Get a lively roommate to go out with
3. Get some friends together for a bike ride to a Sunday brunch spot
4. Grocery shop on weekends or in the evenings
5. Go to the post office, bank or Kinko's where singles live
6. Meet your neighbors and plan things with them
7. Use the community swimming pool and Jacuzzi
8. Find the popular dry cleaners and laundry mat in the singles area
9. Go to a neighborhood watch meeting
10. Organize a pot luck with the neighbors
11. Attend a community meeting for your residential area
12. Organize a block party or barbecue for the 4th of July
13. Go to a busy car wash on a weekend morning
14. Go to yours or a friend's high school or college reunion
15. Go to a friend's wedding and reception
16. Go to a fun adult Halloween party
17. Go to a good Super Bowl party
18. Go to a hair salon that caters to both men and women
19. Shop for vitamins at a popular or upscale health foods store
20. Take your dog for a walk in the park
21. Take pictures of men with their dogs at the park
22. Go to a dog show or visit a pets store with dogs
23. Take a dog obedience class
24. Shop for a gourmet wine or health foods store
25. Have friends over to watch a rented movie
26. Get a big fight on cable and invite people over for pizza
27. Plan a beach party or picnic
28. Plan a scavenger hunt
29. Start having regular card games
30. Do a wine and cheese party
31. Invite people over for a singles & couples Thanksgiving dinner
32. Plan something fun for New Years Eve or New Years Day
33. Fly a kite at the park
34. Go to a kid's sports game and meet parents and referees
35. Go to your kid's PTA meetings
36. Go to the batting cages with your kid
37. Take part in a cookie drive with the school or scouts
38. Look up old acquaintances
39. Find out where and when firemen go shopping for food
40. Go to a few Christmas parties

FISHING HOLES: SHOPPING PLACES

Hot Spots Where the Big Ones are Biting!

(Can you find 4 or 5 that might be worth giving a try?)

1. Sporting goods stores
2. Home improvement stores like Home Depot and Lowe's
3. Lumber yards
4. Woodworking stores
5. Ski outlets
6. Golf stores
7. Computer stores
8. Cycling or bike stores
9. Running shoes or athletic footwear
10. Sports cars showrooms
11. Auto parts stores
12. Motorcycles stores
13. Gourmet wine stores
14. Classic records or used CD's
15. Electronic or camera stores
16. Nordstrom's semi-annual men's sale
17. Cowboy hats and leather store
18. Car auctions
19. Police auctions
20. Horse auctions
21. Halloween costume stores
22. Gadget store like Sharper Image
23. Specialty clothing stores like Eddie Bauer
24. Business bookstores
25. Magazine section of bookstores
26. Used bookstores
27. Swap meets
28. Marine hardware stores
29. Fishing or gun stores
30. Health foods stores like Wild Oats, Trader Joe's or Whole Foods Market
31. Visit a pets store that has cute puppies on display
32. Office supply stores
33. Business luggage stores
34. Copy stores like Kinko's
35. Salons for men and women alike
36. Sports nutrition stores
37. Browse for videos to rent
38. Sports memorabilia stores
39. Guitar store
40. Wireless telephone store

BONUS: FISHING HOLES FOR RICH FISH

Hot Spots Where Wealthy Fish are Biting!

“Money may not be able to buy you happiness....but you can sure arrive at your problems in style.”

1. Live or work in a wealthy neighborhood
2. Take golf lessons at an upscale country club
3. Go to where men have their “power lunches”
4. Buy stocks in a local company and attend a shareholder’s meeting
5. Get around the yachting crowd for a regatta race
6. Get seats in the exclusive boxes for pro football or basketball games
7. Stay and play at the high-class casinos in Las Vegas or Atlantic City
8. Attend high ticket political fund-raisers
9. Buy clubhouse seats for a big thoroughbred horserace
10. Have lunch at the most elegant hotel in your area
11. Attend estate auctions
12. Go to big-name golf and tennis tournaments
13. Fly in the first-class section of the airplane
14. Take group skiing lessons at the best resorts (Aspen, Vail, Sun Valley)
15. Take a flight out of the commuter terminal
16. Set up a stock brokerage account at a rich neighborhood office
17. Do all your chores (dry cleaning, car wash, banking) in a rich area
18. Go to a happy hour in a nice place around the business area
19. Get a part-time job in public relations or journalism
20. Get a job in the high-end financial services industry
21. Attend a resort investment workshop that appeals to the rich
22. Go to hospital charity events
23. Work part-time in the high-end catering or meeting planning business
24. By a local newspaper in an exclusive area for current events
25. Take a self-defense, yoga or pilates class in an exclusive area
26. Work with a well-connected personal trainer for the wealthy
27. Go to a hair salon that caters to both rich men and women
28. Attend a polo match and stay late to meet the players
29. Join a running or cycling club in an exclusive area
30. Find a nice bar that’s known for its excellent martinis
31. Sit and enjoy a cup of coffee at Starbuck’s in an exclusive area
32. Find the best business bookstore during lunch hour or after work
33. Go to pet store with dogs in an exclusive area
34. Walk your dog in a park near an exclusive area
35. Visit a car showroom for Mercedes, Lexus and BMW’s
36. Make friends with people who know or work with the rich
37. Work in the legal or medical profession
38. Enroll in an executive dating service designed for wealthy men
39. Go to a wine-tasting contest or an exclusive gourmet dinner event
40. Attend regular church services in a wealthy neighborhood

MORE QUOTATIONS ON OPPORTUNITY

“One can present people with opportunities. One cannot make them equal to them.”

Rosamond Lehmann

“Nothing is so often irretrievably missed as an opportunity we encounter every day.”

Marie von Ebner-Eschenbach

“When we miss an opportunity one is apt to fancy that another will never present itself.”

Marie Bashkirtseff

“The doors of Opportunity are marked ‘Push’ and ‘Pull.’”

Ethel Watts Mumford

“Opportunity...Often it comes disguised in the form of misfortune, or temporary defeat.”

Napoleon Hill

“What is luck? It is not only chance, it is also creating the opportunity, recognizing it when it is there, and taking it when it comes.”

Natasha Josefowitz

“The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want, and, if they can't find them, make them.”

George Bernard Shaw

“Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great...weak men wait for opportunities; strong men make them.”

Orison Swett Marden

“Destiny is not a matter of chance; it is a matter of choice. It is not something to be waited for; but, rather something be achieved.”

William Jennings Bryan

“Things don't turn up in this world until somebody turns them up.”

James A. Garfield

MY FAVORITE FISHING HOLES

20 New Hot Spots Where I'll Try Out My Luck & Skill!

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**“For many women,
the best way to meet a
man is to meet the
right woman....
an enlightened friend
who can make a
smooth love connection
for her.”**

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES

“Friends are the family we choose for ourselves.”

Comtesse Diane
Author of *Les Glanes de la Vie* (1898)

Jim Rohn, author of *Seven Habits for Wealth and Happiness*, wrote, “Keep the weeds of negative influence from your life. Instead farm the seeds of constructive influence. You will not believe the harvest of good fortune you will reap.” To help you select good quality friends to go fishing for love with, here are some important factors to consider:

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES WILL KEEP YOUR SPIRITS UP:

Get around the type of people whose energy, enthusiasm, and optimism rubs off on you. Avoid negative people who drain your emotions. The best fishing buddies are those who love the sport and can't wait to try out new things and accept the challenges. Let their confidences become yours. And let their playful spirit keep you loose.

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES WILL SHARE THE SUGAR:

Good friends don't hog all the glory or try to get the attention of all the guys. You want friends who understand that the success of the group depends on getting everyone involved in the social interaction. A good friend is on the lookout for ideal match-ups. And for the match-ups to work, each person in the group must be allowed to shine. Associate with those who make room for you to share your gifts with others.

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES WILL SELL YOU HARD:

One of the best ways to convey the essence of your individual strengths is to have your friends tell others when you're not around. Great buddies love to share their endorsements of you while claiming ignorance about any of your weaknesses. They can share their positive convictions about you where your natural inclinations toward modesty will not.

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES WILL TAKE YOU PLACES:

You can rapidly expand your number of social fishing holes by having your buddies take you places that you would ordinarily find uncomfortable. Going to new places is akin to taking a fishing trip. A good group of friends can make this a fun adventure and take you to out-of-the-way, under-fished places where the big ones may be biting.

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES WILL PROTECT YOU:

Competition among women for the favorable attention of men is commonplace. While it's helpful to be able to stand your own ground against unfriendly attacks from rivals, a good friend can save you the hassle and defend your blind spots. Sometimes the most damaging attacks come from the most unexpected sources.

YOUR BEST FISHING BUDDIES WILL RAISE YOUR STANDARDS:

Great fishing buddies maintain your ideals of the person you truly are or want to be. They won't allow you to tear yourself down. True friends keep your head up and your eyes pointed forward. They know that your purpose in life is to be all you can be so that you can get the good things that you deserve. Friends hold you to a higher standard for life.

THE BOTTOM LINE

Don't underestimate the power of positive influence. If you associate with a great crowd, you'll have more fun and enjoy greater success (natural persistence & patience) at the sport of fishing for love.

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THE FISHING BUDDY TEST

How Good Are the Friends You're Fishing With?

Now is the time to evaluate your fellow anglers (Circle your choices)

LOVE FOR THE SPORT

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|-------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| • Physical Energy | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Enthusiasm & Optimism | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Fun & Sense of Humor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Attitude Toward Men | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |

SHARING OF THE SUGAR

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|--------------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| • Shares the attentions | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Shares the good prospects | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Shares the conversation | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Sells you when you're absent | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |

BUDDY BONUS FACTORS

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|---------------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| • Willingness to try new places | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Will defend your backside | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Keeps your standards high | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| • Good Listening Skills | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |

Points:	Excellent	4	Total Score:	40-48	A Great Sport
	Good	3		31-39	Good Tag-Along
	Fair	2		22-30	Not much help
	Poor	0		0-21	Leave 'em home

The Bottom Line

Enjoy the sport of fishing for love by selecting a variety of great angling buddies.

MY BEST FISHING BUDDIES

20 Friends Who I Can Go Trolling For Love With

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QUOTATIONS ON FRIENDSHIPS

“True friends are those who really know you but love you anyway.”

Edna Buchanan

“She is a friend of my mind. She gathers me, man. The pieces I am, she gathers them and gives them back to me in all the right order.”

Toni Morrison

“In meeting again after a separation, acquaintances ask after our outward life, friends after our inner life.”

Marie von Ebner-Eschenbach

“A friend can tell you things you don’t want to tell yourself.”

Frances Ward Weller

“No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main.”

John Donne

“He that does good to another does good also to himself.”

Seneca

“It is literally true that you can succeed best and quickest by helping other to succeed.”

Napoleon Hill

“I believe that you can get everything in life you want if you will just help enough other people get what they want.”

Zig Ziglar

“Here is a basic rule for winning success. The rule is: Success depends on the support of other people. The only hurdle between you and what you want to be is the support of others.”

David Joseph Schwartz

“Personal relationships are the fertile soil from which all advancement, all success, all achievement in real life grows.”

Ben Stein

“Love starts fast: You hook ‘em good when their guard is down and you’re at your best. You spook ‘em away when their guard is up and you’re at your worst.”

THE KEEPER TEST

**When you can say a definite
“yes” to all five of these:**

- 1) It feels good.**
- 2) He’s right for you.**
- 3) You’re right for him.**
- 4) It’s for the greater good.**
- 5) The heavens approve.**

ONE FINAL NOTE

In this Special Report on Favorite Fishing Holes, you've learned about:

- * Over 280 places to meet the man of your dreams
- * 6 major keys to determining your best fishing buddies
- * A simple test to evaluate the friends you already have
- * 20 good buddies to go fishing with in the future
- * The 5 requirements of a "Keeper"

The only thing that remains in this "meeting stage" of a love relationship is what I call "a sense of urgency." All the plans that you make are of little value if you don't actually follow-through with immediate action.

The problem is that we may be in a "comfort zone" where things aren't bad enough to be an urgent necessity or great enough to be highly inspired. It's living in this middle "comfort zone" that makes all of us put off things until tomorrow. And before we know it, the tomorrows start stacking up until we forget what it was we were planning to do in the first place.

Don't let that be you!

Love won't work for you unless you actually do something to deserve it. And the best time to do something about your love life is to strike while the proverbial "iron" is hot.

That time is now.

The big fish are out there biting!

Go out and get yours. And remember that it only takes one.

Good luck, share this with a friend, and happy fishing always!

Your friend and helper from "The Other Half",

Steve Nakamoto