



Blake Lively's Absence From Swift-Kelce Wedding Sparks Debate

Description

Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce recently celebrated their wedding at Madison Square Garden, attended by numerous high-profile celebrities. However, Blake Lively, once a close friend of Swift, was notably absent from the guest list. This absence appears intentional, according to several reports.

Maria "Ria" Ciuffo remarked on the podcast *Chicks in the Office*, suggesting that Lively and Swift's friendship has ended. She expressed that Lively must be very upset with Swift, as everyone else was invited to the wedding. Ciuffo emphasized the seriousness of their falling out, claiming they are no longer friends.

Swift and Lively's friendship began in 2015, sparked by a playful comment Lively made on social media regarding Swift's "Bad Blood" video. Their bond grew quickly, and they regularly supported one another at various events, with Swift becoming a godmother to Lively's children.

However, the situation changed significantly in early 2025. Justin Baldoni, who directed Lively in the film *It Ends With Us*, filed a countersuit against Lively and her husband, Ryan Reynolds. This legal conflict also affected Swift, leading to speculation that it strained her friendship with Lively.

On July 2, the day before the wedding, Lively and Reynolds were seen in Lake Placid, while Swift married Kelce the following day in front of approximately 1,000 guests, again without Lively. Sources say that Swift now prefers to surround herself with people she trusts and feels that her friendship with Lively is beyond repair. What was once a legal issue now threatens to irreparably damage their relationship.

Vocabulary List:

1. **absent** //ˈæbsənt// (adjective): not present in a place or event
2. **intentional** //ɪnˈtɛnʃənəl// (adjective): done on purpose not by accident
3. **podcast** //ˈpɒd,kæst// (noun): a recorded talk or show for the internet
4. **countersuit** //ˈkaʊntərsu:t// (noun): a legal claim made in response to another claim
5. **speculation** //ˌspɛkjəˈleɪʃən// (noun): ideas or guesses without certain proof
6. **irreparably** //ɪˈrɛpərəbli// (adverb): in a way that cannot be fixed

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. Where did Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce celebrate their wedding?
 - Option: Madison Square Garden
 - Option: Central Park
 - Option: Los Angeles
 - Option: Chicago
2. Which high-profile celebrity was notably absent from Taylor Swift's wedding?
 - Option: Selena Gomez
 - Option: Katy Perry
 - Option: Blake Lively
 - Option: Rihanna
3. What podcast did Maria 'Ria' Ciuffo make remarks about Swift and Lively's friendship?
 - Option: The Joe Rogan Experience
 - Option: Chicks in the Office
 - Option: The Daily Show
 - Option: Armchair Expert
4. In what year did Swift and Lively's friendship begin?
 - Option: 2012
 - Option: 2015
 - Option: 2018
 - Option: 2020
5. What film did Justin Baldoni direct Lively in?
 - Option: A Simple Favor
 - Option: It Ends With Us
 - Option: The Age of Adaline
 - Option: The Shallows
6. How many guests attended Swift's wedding?
 - Option: 500
 - Option: 750
 - Option: 1,000
 - Option: 1,500



True-False

7. Blake Lively was invited to Taylor Swift's wedding.
8. Maria 'Ria' Ciuffo suggested that Swift and Lively's friendship has ended.
9. Taylor Swift became a godmother to Blake Lively's children.
10. The legal conflict involving Ryan Reynolds had no impact on Swift and Lively's friendship.
11. Taylor Swift married Travis Kelce on July 3.
12. Sources indicate that Swift and Lively's friendship is stronger than ever.

Gap-Fill

13. Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce celebrated their wedding at Madison Square Garden, and Blake Lively was notably absent from the guest list due to their _____.
14. Maria 'Ria' Ciuffo remarked that Lively must be very _____ with Swift.
15. Swift and Lively's friendship began in 2015, sparked by a playful comment Lively made on _____.
16. The situation for Swift and Lively changed significantly in early _____.
17. The legal issue currently threatens to irreparably _____ their relationship.
18. Swift now prefers to surround herself with people she _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Madison Square Garden 2. Blake Lively 3. Chicks in the Office 4. 2015 5. It Ends With Us 6. 1,000

True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. falling out 14. upset 15. social media 16. 2025 17. damage 18. trusts

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