



# Long-distance Relationships

## Top Ten Takeaways

- 1 The question is not whether it's possible to fall in love from a different time zone; it's whether it's *necessary* to solicit opportunities that have this obstacle, when there are viable alternatives closer to home.
- 2 The *ONLY* reason to go outside of your local area is because there literally is no other choice.
- 3 No man is real until he's your boyfriend; until then, he's just hope, fantasy, and potential
- 4 When he's courting you before he's your boyfriend, he should make the effort to call, plan and come to visit you. It's not your job to keep this alive yourself.
- 5 Don't expect a vacation fling to turn into a marriage when his efforts are telling you you're a long-distance booty call.
- 6 Don't commit to a guy who isn't committed to you.
- 7 You don't decide to "go for it" with a man; *he* decides that you're worth going for, and when *he* increases his efforts, when *he* spends full weekends with you, when *he* calls you every day, and when *he* tells you he doesn't want you seeing anyone else, that's when *you* decide. *HE* has to step up and claim you.
- 8 If you're in a severely limiting location, you may owe it to your future happiness to move to a larger city.
- 9 Ultimately someone eventually has to uproot his/her life, home, friends, and job.
- 10 Long-distance isn't the problem; it only amplifies any existing relationship problems.