Our Adoption Profile

David and Nicky
Dear Birth Parents

Thank you for reading our profile. We cannot imagine how difficult this decision is for you. We hope our profile will show you a bit more about us and help you decide whether we are the right match for your child. We live in London England, not far from Kensington Palace and have a family home in the countryside where we spend our weekends with Nicky’s mum and our wonderful dog Poppy.

We have always loved children and wanted a family. After losing a number of babies we decided to grow our family through adoption. Our friends have adopted two lovely children from the USA and similarly we decided to go through the home study process to adopt from the USA. We have both spent time in the States and love the culture and values. We have both been very fortunate in growing up in loving families where we have been encouraged to grow our talents and learn and experience different cultures.

We have so much love to give to a child. We would want to bring him/her up in a household full of love and laughter. We are both passionate about travel, meeting local people and experiencing their lifestyle and food. We love nature and enjoying the countryside, hiking, skiing or horseback riding. We are very close to friends and family. We would not want to impose our interests and likes but would rather work with a child to discover what their passions and aspirations might be and encourage them to fly.

We are happy to keep in touch with you so you know how your child is growing up and enjoying life, but only if you feel it’s appropriate.

We hope this profile gives you some insight into us as prospective adopters and want to thank you for taking the time to get to know us.

All our Love
David and Nicky
Hi I am David. I am a High School Teacher of Computing & Information Technology. I have recently completed a Bachelor's Degree as a mature student. Previously I worked as a Graphic Designer in the Financial Print Industry. I come from the East End of London & have lived near London most of my life.

Hi I am Nicky. I work in Marketing for an International firm. I grew up initially in Africa & then in the English countryside. I moved to London after my Undergrad Degree. I fell in love with the US when I worked in South Carolina on a student program. I then drove 9,000 miles around the States with friends.

We are both British. Our ethnicity is English with a touch of Scottish & Irish. We live in Central London in the UK in an apartment in a Victorian house. We spend most weekends at Nicky’s family house in the Essex countryside in a small market town. We are looking to buy a country house near Nicky’s mum but also plan to keep the apartment in London.
David's mum lives just outside London near David's sister, brother-in-law, niece & nephew. Nicky's mum lives in the countryside with our dog Poppy the Poodle. The two families met in Cyprus, where Nicky's dad loved to go on vacation.
We are both Christians & attend this Anglican (Episcopalian) Church in London. It’s very vibrant with a great worship band & teaching. Nicky worked in the Sunday nursery for 2 years, looking after the smaller children. David went to Uganda on a mission trip where he worked with children in an Orphanage.

Our Life in the UK

David graduated in 2013 in Information Technology and Business Studies.

Nicky studied Geography at Undergrad level in the beautiful Cathedral city of Durham & completed an MBA afterwards.

We love seeing friends & family & exploring the British Isles for weekend breaks. This photo is in beautiful West Wales.
Things we love doing

David loves soccer & cricket. We took David's nephew to see his favourite soccer team & went to see England play Australia in cricket. Nicky loves horse riding & dancing & we both enjoyed seeing lots of sport at the Olympics in London. We also like organising events for our family & cooking for friends. The photo below was taken at Nicky's Uncle's birthday party.
We like being outdoors, camping, enjoying nature & taking Poppy to the beach. We also like cooking & recently learned how to cook Spanish food in Spain. We like seeing friends & going to concerts. We love travel & have taken our mums to Italy for the last 2 years.

We enjoy life but we are longing to have a family. We would take a baby out for walks by the sea & in the countryside. Initially, we would take the baby on holidays abroad close to the UK in France, Spain & Italy - then further afield. Three of our friends have had babies in the last few months & so we would take the baby to visit them to play. In Essex, Nicky has a group of close Uncles & Auntyes who are looking forward to a new member of the family. Nicky has cousins with children close by, while David’s sister’s family would love to meet him/her.

Nicky has family who are adopted. David’s school friend has just adopted an English baby girl & Nicky’s university friend has adopted a little boy from Thailand. We also have close American friends whom we will visit & want to ensure that your baby knows about his or her cultural heritage.
What sort of life can we offer a child?

We want to offer a loving & secure home to a child. Our adopted child would be the focus & priority of the family. We were very fortunate to grow up in loving, fun families & we laugh a lot together. We are blessed to have had the opportunity of Education & the chance to travel all over the world. We have a very wide group of international friends. We want to offer a child a diverse & varied experience of life, where he/she will grow up feeling part of a close group of friends, but also get to experience different lifestyles & cultures in other countries. We would offer him/her the chance to enjoy growing up in the countryside but with access to the benefits & culture of London.

We would involve a child in the things we love doing such as walking by the sea, horseback riding, swimming, cooking, gardening & sport as a family. As he/she grows older we would want to give him/her the chance to develop his/her own interests such as joining local clubs like the Scouts. We are passionate about Education & want to encourage our adopted child to reach his/her full potential, including learning to speak foreign languages & learning about other cultures through visiting friends & their children living in other countries. We would read bed-time stories, sing songs & dance with them. We would support him/her in discovering & developing any unique interests, hobbies & talents that he/she has. We would be there to support them through life's difficult times, listening to them, wiping away tears & offering hugs & comfort as well as enjoying the fun times.

We believe that our key strength in working together as a couple is that whilst our personalities differ slightly, we are similar in being quite determined & proactive. Besides the love, trust, honesty & friendship we have with each other, we complement each other when faced with problems. Nicky is very good at identifying problems & coming up with solutions. Her personality is very much "OK, let's find the best way to make this happen". David's personality is very much "OK, let's just do it".
We met on the island of Cyprus near Greece. Nicky was away for a week with her parents & David was with his mum after his father had recently passed away. Nicky’s dad was joking in the swimming pool which made David & his mum laugh - so we started talking.....

We met up back in London & Nicky invited David to a course at her church. We were really good friends for a year, & then as we both wanted to visit New Zealand to see friends we decided to go on a trip together. We had a lovely holiday where David declared his love for Nicky by a beautiful church in the mountains & we started dating.
Our Wedding & Honeymoon

Two years later we got married in Nicky's home town in a Saxon church that is over 900 years old. It was a wonderful sunny day & we loved the church being filled with flowers & the special worship band that came from our church in London.

We had the reception at a very old house set in the countryside & we loved having so many family members & and friends close by. David's nephew was ring bearer & one of Nicky's goddaughters & our niece were both bridesmaids.

We spent our honeymoon in the Maldives which was incredibly beautiful and where we enjoyed snorkelling, amazing beaches & delicious Indian curry.
David on Nicky

Nicky has always wanted to be a mother above everything else. She adores children. She intends to take a full year off work to stay at home with a child & then go back to work part-time so she can spend as much time with them as possible. She has so much to give to a child & will love him/her with a passion.

Nicky has what I call a sixth-sense in knowing when people are upset about something - when something is not quite right. I believe this will be one of her strongest assets as an adoptive parent. Nicky commits herself to things like no-one I've ever met. As a birth mother, you can be sure that Nicky will never give up on something in the interests of a child. She has this great quality of continuing to ask questions until she gets what she instinctively knows is a satisfactory answer. Nicky is the most committed person I've ever met when it comes to never letting go of something that she cares for and values. Her caring nature & love of children is obvious in that she is Godmother to 4 children of different families.

What I love most about Nicky is her caring, loving, fun-filled heart. If I tried to paint a picture of Nicky's heart, it would look something like this. Nicky would wake up in a bed of white linen & white pillows. The room would be white - white walls & white ceiling. She would ride a horse on a deserted beach, swim in a turquoise blue sea & walk through gardens of brightly colored flowers. Nicky loves bright flowers. She would talk to her Mum on the telephone (everyday) - checking up, making sure her mum & our dog are OK.

In the evening, Nicky would wear a flowing dress. She'd be sitting outside eating a nice meal & watching the sun go down. The restaurant would be simple - nothing too expensive. She'd be talking and laughing with the people next to her (whom she's only just met), probably speaking to them in a different language. Nicky loves meeting different people & speaking languages. She'd tell you that she only speaks two, English & French, but the conversation would probably be in Spanish, Italian, or German. Nicky is not only very intelligent but she's very modest with it. And then she would dance ... and dance ... and dance. Nicky would walk home beside me barefoot, carrying her shoes with the moon in the sky. This is Nicky's heart & this is why I love her.
Nicky would like to offer a baby a place in the centre of our home & our hearts with the support & freedom to grow.
One of Nicky's unique qualities is that she is ultra-sensitive to people's feelings and emotions. If there were ever any issues to resolve, Nicky would leave no stone left unturned in finding help & assistance for your child.
Nicky on David

David is compassionate & caring. He is interested in other people. He loves his family & friends. As I started to get to know him, I noticed how well he listened and cared for me as a friend. He became my best friend before we started dating. We lived over an hour from each other but would text or call each other, sharing our issues each day. He has a lively mind & thinks carefully about issues affecting society & about people he meets. He spent a couple of years volunteering as a mentor with young offenders & also volunteered to help at an orphanage in Uganda with our church. He has a great sense of humour and fun & has accompanied me to screen acting classes, canoeing in NZ, singing karaoke, & in winning a dance contest on holiday in Mexico!

We help each other through the difficult times, through our amazing friendship & ability to laugh even when times are tough. He is very caring to my family. When I lost my father David gave a tribute at his funeral, my father was also someone who laughed a lot & David shared the practical jokes that Dad had played on him with everyone. I was very proud of David that day. David is persistent & always learning. He worked at night to earn money to pay for University & then studied in the day to get a Bachelor's Degree as a mature student & got a First Class Degree. He is now teaching in High School because he wants to help young people. Above all I trust him. He is honest and true. I know he has always wanted to be a dad, loves children and will be a great father.

We share a love of travel, visiting new places, swimming in the ocean, skiing, walking in country, friends, food & walking our dog. I love being with David. We both like trying new things such as singing in a Christmas gospel choir at church. We also have different interests. David is passionate about sport, especially his soccer team West Ham, and cricket (English ball game a bit like baseball). David is so enthusiastic, I have now been persuaded to watch soccer and watch David play cricket.

When the 2012 Olympic Games came to London, David was preparing a year ahead to ensure that we entered the ticket lottery to get some tickets. As someone who would usually never think about sport I had a fantastic time visiting different events & was present when the US ladies soccer team won the Gold medal against Japan at Wembley Stadium! If your child shows interest in any sport you can be assured we will encourage them & support them in whatever they want to do.
David loves family, friends and sport. The baby shown above is one of his godchildren.
Home Life in London
We have an apartment in Central London in a Victorian block. The area is great for going out in London with access to the Science & Natural History museum, a fantastic shopping centre close by, & several parks with children’s play areas & lakes. The picture opposite shows Hyde Park where we arranged a picnic & games for friends & their children for the Olympics. David and I also go walking regularly in Richmond Park which is an enormous deer park close by. The room above is the baby’s room.
Home Life in Essex
We spend the weekends in a small market town on the coast where Nicky’s family home is. This is a beautiful place with a great park by the sea front, lots of sailing boats and access to beaches and other country walks. Nicky loves gardening & spends alot of time growing & planting plants in the garden. The baby’s room is shown above which has a view of the garden.
We love traveling & trying out new things. We have travelled to Australasia, Asia, Africa, North and Central America, the Caribbean and Europe. We both loved safaris in Africa, as we adore animals and nature. We also like beach holidays, walking in mountains & visiting culture centres. We both enjoy ski-ing & Nicky lived in Switzerland for a year. We went to Italy & Spain last year & Mexico, Ireland & Italy the year before.
Extended family

We both have many uncles, aunties & cousins. We enjoy meeting up at family events such as weddings, anniversaries & birthdays. Photos at the top are Nicky's family, with David's at the bottom. David's nephew & niece are wearing their Christmas presents!
Christmas

In early December, we begin Christmas with a carol service at our church in London. There’s a children’s service in the morning (Christingle) where the kids receive a special Christmas orange with a lit candle & candy attached. We invite our God children, niece & nephew & then go for pizza. We have a group of friends who take it in turns to arrange a delicious pre Christmas roast dinner. Sometimes, two of our friends who are musicians play music for us. On Christmas Eve David, Nicky and her mum go to the local children’s candlelit carol service. Afterwards, we go to a traditional English country pub for mulled wine. On Christmas Day we invite family members around & have a traditional roast followed by Christmas pudding. On Boxing Day we visit David’s family as it is also his mums’ birthday. David’s sister & her husband make a fantastic garlic lamb & we play games with David’s niece and nephew, & the rest of their family. The kids are very good at Wi games & so we normally have Wi dance competitions with our niece & nephew until late in the evening!
Friends

We love seeing our friends, at home for a meal or at a celebration. The top 2 photos show a wedding in Lithuania where David’s school friend married. The next one is waiting with a friend on wet day celebrating a festival for our Queen. Below we are attending a 1980’s themed birthday party, thanking two of our bridesmaids, & attending the Christening of one of David’s God Sons.
Poppy the Poodle

Poppy enjoys coming on adventures with us, running on the beach & retrieving balls.
Thank you

Thank you so much for looking at our profile and considering us as adoptive parents for your baby.

We hope we have given you some insight into us and how much love we would give a baby.

We would be happy to provide more information. If you have any questions, then please feel free to ask us. We are open to answering any questions you may have.

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