

DAVID ELOPES!

Does all this sound very far-fetched and unbelievable to you? Right now, David still belongs to you, but he may not always, for he does long to escape to a private, very personal world. Someday, David Cassidy may just get lucky and find the special lady he can share his dreams with, and then—because he's so impulsive—David just may elope!

More than anything else in this whole world, David Bruce Cassidy wants the love and affection that comes from being in a steady, secure relationship with a young woman. Many of his dreams are built around just such a relationship, but then the cold, cruel world of reality has a way of breaking through and interrupting David's train of thought.

At twenty-two, David is not a child. He is a man, with a man's hopes, dreams and desires for love. David is no stranger to the ways of love—he has known its joy, its hurt and the inevitable heartbreak. But he has learned to hope—to hope that tomorrow will be better; that the next love will be stronger; and that maybe, just maybe, he will be lucky enough to find the one girl who will make him truly happy all the days of his life. And David, because he is so honest, expresses his hope and desire freely.

For though David has many riches—his career, his lifestyle, his talent and his gifts are envied by many—David knows that all this is meaningless unless he has someone to share his life with. Someone who knows when he is hurt, who can tell when he is tired, who can make him laugh when all else seems lost. Someone who is as sensitive and introspective as he is—who really cares for people as much as he does. Someone who is as independent, strong and willful as he is. Someone who can teach him as much as she can learn from him. And someone who is secure enough to take what David has to offer.

So David's search is not an easy one; not many young ladies can meet the stiff requirements David places on someone to love. But just suppose, for a moment, that you are that young lady, and that, out of all the women in the world who want to belong to David, David has chosen you to share his life with. Where

would David take you and what would your life together be like?

First of all, David would retire (although probably just temporarily) from show business. He's had enough (for awhile, at least) of working around the clock to fill the many demands placed on him by his career. He's tired, and he deserves to rest.

So David would probably take you to a small house surrounded by lots of property on an Hawaiian island. There, you would live a very quiet sort of life—mostly just the two of you sharing your love—interrupted only by occasional visits from friends. David wants to live simply, so it would be nice if you loved to cook and could manage to take care of the house between just the two of you.

Most likely, you'd spend your days surfing, swimming, sunning, hiking, horseback riding, exploring and, most important, just being. But David craves privacy, so he might go off for hours on end, leaving you to amuse yourself. When he came back, he'd like it if you just sort of accepted his absence, and didn't ask him too many questions about where he'd been and what was he doing. Nor would he like it if you announced in a scolding tone that you'd missed his companionship. For, although David is a very loving, giving person, he must have room for himself. And that is what he has missed so much in the past few years—the chance to be a person, and let what happens happen.

And, at some not-too-distant time, David hopes your life together would include children, for he's very fond of them. But in David's mind, having children would not take you away from each other—it would bring you closer together. And you would continue to lead a very private, simple life, still sharing all your love with each other.

You've always known that to be David Cassidy's girl, you have to expect the unexpected. But what if David suddenly disappeared, never to make another in-person concert appearance, never to be seen again on The Partridge Family, never to answer his phone or read his mail? What would he do? Where would he go? And, whom—just whom—would he take with him?