

## MARRIED PEOPLE TRAVEL TOO

You would think that traveling and marriage would mix like oil and vinegar. While oil and vinegar don't really mix well, they do compliment one another which is what traveling does for some couples. Granted, it's not for everyone. It depends on your particular situation.

Recently, I met a traveler named Patty. She and her husband have been married for 30 years. A few years ago, they moved to a small town in the mountains. The town only has one small hospital and she was miserable working there. After much thought and discussion with her husband, Patty decided to start traveling.

She tries to find assignments within 2 to 6 hours from her home. This way she can meet her husband half way every other weekend. "It's like we are dating all over again", she says. "We take time just to be with one another." Patty also says she can see how traveling might be difficult for some couples. Most of her husband's friends know more about what is happening with him than she does. After 30 years of marriage, she knows they are a strong couple so she doesn't worry about it. She loves the variety and independence traveling provides her while still being married.

If you are having a difficult time in your marriage, you may want to stay home and work it out. Traveling is not a solution; it is simply a spice to add to the dish if it fits.

Only you know if traveling can compliment your marriage. There are so many creative ways to manage travel. If you are married and want to travel, consider all the options before ruling it out. Some find a way to make it work.