

# TODD & Fogel Sides

PUSSIES SIDES:

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**Scene 1  
(FYI)**

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The Pussies walk around the lifestyle center that is the Grove, hitting their weed vaporizer. They are psyched.

FOGEL

I love this. This is what real men do after soul crushing breakups. Expand their horizons.

TODD

Learn new skillz.

FOGEL

Self-actualize!

TODD

GROWTH!!!!

FOGEL

"He not busy being born is busy dying." Bob Dylan.

TODD

You're smart. Imagine us cooking great meals with our future girlfriends.

FOGEL

Me and my girl are gonna keep it simple. It's all about the ingredients.

TODD

Has to be. I want clean food. Rich sauces and truffle oil are for jock bro shitheads.

FOGEL

Me and my next girl are gonna be cooking seasonal and local. Tradish but with a twist.

TODD

I'm gonna take my next girlfriend on a food tour of Italy. It'll be like the couples version of Eat Pray Love: Eat Eat Binge Watch Shark Tank... Love.

Alyssa Weisberg Casting / Untitled Todd Fogel comedy

FOGEL

Hilarious. One of our specialities is gonna be a riff on calamari --

TODD

In Italy we call it calimah' -- you gotta leave off the last vowel to sound authentic. Prosciut'. Mozzarel'.

FOGEL

That doesn't sound right.

TODD

It's very right actually.

FOGEL

Anyway, the squid is gonna be on the *outside* and the breading's gonna be on the *inside*.

TODD

That's a delicious idea. I would eat that. I would actually eat that right now.

FOGEL

Right!?

TODD

Then I come back from eating my way down The Boot and with your clever calimah' and some lasagna recipes I've gotten from some old Italian nonas?

(hits the weed)

We open a restaurant. A little neighborhood trattoria.

FOGEL

I've always thought I'd be a good restaurateur. Like I'm always at the front of the house with a big welcoming smile like, welcome to my table. My family table.

TODD

I'll be in the back smoking cigs with the bus boys and just getting into all sorts of trouble.

FOGEL

This is our greatest idea ever and it all starts right now.

They are now standing outside Sur La Table.

FOGEL (CONT'D)  
Cooking class!

TODD  
Cooking class!

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Scene II  
FYI

INT. SUR LA TABLE - "TEACHING KITCHEN" - NIGHT

PANNING AROUND -- all happy, adorable COUPLES wearing aprons.  
We land on The Pussies.

TODD  
Didn't realize it was Couples  
Night. Is all of this activating  
you right now?

FOGEL  
Big time. Karen and I used to come  
here all the time and imagine the  
expensive tagines we'd buy when we  
were rich.

TODD  
You're so brave to be here and I'm  
proud of you. I'm so happy you  
moved in. I don't know what I  
would've done these last few weeks  
without you.

FOGEL  
You are my rock. Anna Banana was so  
wrong when she said that you  
proposing right after you broke up  
with her was just a sign of your  
compulsive fear of letting go. It  
was a sign of your heart expanding.

TODD  
Oldest story in the book: a man  
who's more in touch with his  
feelings than his girlfriend.

FOGEL  
We're from Venus and they're from  
Mars.

The old, maternal, hippie-ish SUR LA TABLE INSTRUCTOR enters.

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## COOKING INSTRUCTOR

Welcome to Cooking for Two: Date Night. Now we all know there's nothing better than a romantic night in, a little Ella playing, sharing the sensual smells of a home-cooked meal with your lover...

The Pussies' eyes tear up as they nod.

CUT TO:

LATER. PANNING AROUND --

The COUPLES are slicing and dicing. Fogel finishing chopping and proudly points to his cutting board.

FOGEL

I don't need Karen to enjoy cooking! I feel like Ratatouille!

But Todd is eavesdropping on the HANDSOME ECHO PARK GAY COUPLE next to him (we'll call them Bill and Sam). He gets Fogel's attention and they both listen in.

BILL

I'd like to chop at some point?

SAM

It's faster if I do it.

BILL

We're here so you can let go of some of your control issues around food and the kitchen.

SAM

(sighs)

When you're right you're right. Take my knife, please.

BILL

(chuckles)

Thanks boo boo.

Bill begins to chop. Not well. It's driving Sam nuts.

BILL (CONT'D)

Oh screw it. You're supposed to be having fun on your one night away from the hospital and you're better at chopping anyway.

SAM

You sure?

BILL

Your happiness is a little more important than my knife skillz. I'll start the sauce.

SAM

Thank you. Wait 'til we get home.  
(grabbing Bill's ass)  
Make sure you leave room for dessert.

BILL

Yes chef.

Off Fogel and Todd, blown away by this adorable couple.

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**EXT. THE GROVE - NIGHT**

Fogel and Todd, smoking from the weed vaporizer and eating ice cream cones, walk feverishly.



FOGEL

God those gay guys were amazing.

TODD

So cute. So open.

FOGEL

Karen was never that nice to me when I cooked. She'd only tell me to use less butter.

TODD

But fat is flavor.

FOGEL

I know! Those gay guys knew that. Gay guys love flavor!

TODD

They're both from Venus!

FOGEL

They hate Mars!

TODD

You know what I respect about gay men? Their committment to open relationships. They get that love and sex are not the same thing.

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TODD (CONT'D)

Not only is extracurricular activity encouraged -- sometimes it's shared! How enlightened is that?

FOGEL

They're Buddhas with boners.

TODD

All I want is for my girlfriend to let me go to a party, flirt it up, get a little attention...

FOGEL

You like being the belle of the ball!

TODD

I do! And why do I always have to tell her how pretty she is but she never compliments *me*? I care about how I look too!

They walk and smoke for a moment. Fogel's gears are turning.

FOGEL

Fifteen years I've been failing with women.

TODD

Sixteen for me.

FOGEL

Is it possible that we're not the problem? Maybe it's them.

TODD

It's obviously them.

FOGEL

They're so confusing.

TODD

Befuddling Martians.

FOGEL

They want you to be sensitive and present for all their needs but decisive and "manly" when they're feeling insecure.

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TODD

They're always wearing activewear in public. When did that become okay?

FOGEL

Why do I need to do all the romantic stuff? Just once I'd like to be swept off *my* feet. Like in an old romantic French movie.

TODD

They never want to just smoke a joint and talk about how hard monogamy is. That's like my favorite thing to do.

FOGEL

It's so much easier with men.

TODD

Direct.

FOGEL

Rational.

TODD

Chill as fuck. I've been looking for years for a woman I like hanging out with as much as you.

Fogel takes a huge hit off the vaporizer. Then:

FOGEL

What if we just tried to be...gay?

TODD

We're straight.

FOGEL

We don't need to be totally gay. Like even if we could just be one percent gay we'd have a fifty percent greater chance of finding love. How do you like those odds?

TODD

You're convincing me with those odds. I want love more than anything. But what do we do with their penises?

FOGEL

Hmmmm.

TODD

Hmmmmmmmm.

Todd takes a hit off the vaporizer.

TODD (CONT'D)

Okay. Here's what I'm proposing: is a penis a problem?

FOGEL

Interested.

TODD

I already love one penis: mine. How hard is it gonna be to love one more?

FOGEL

Not that hard. It's one more penis. Not that hard -- funny right?

TODD

Hilarious. I'm in. Let's reclaim our romantic lives!

FOGEL

Let's get some cocks up in heeeeyyaaa!

TODD

This is it. Our last best shot at love: men!