"Probably that she is open to hooking up but wants to feel like you are actually friends first.", "If it was they would not be on tinder.","We fucked first time hanging out last night.",

"My problem now is that she was super cool and I want to keep seeing her and do not want her fucking other dudes.",

"In my experience, expect the bare minimum from Tinder.",

"If the bio says friends, do not expect anything more than that.",

"The concept of friends first is so that you are aware from the onset that there is zero possibility of sex unless you pass the initial x number of meet ups without trying to bend her over.",

"Well, we ended up hooking up first night so not always the case.",

"But I have a pickle now that I want to be more than hookup buddies; she is dope.", "I have not. I have found that when one party rejects the other for a relationship, its unlikely that the rejected person will truly be interested in a platonic friendship."

"Yes, well I do not know if it will last but so far it has. One guy I met had this amazing golden retriever energy, just fantastically fun. We had a blast snowboarding together, I let him crash with me after being extremely clear it was a crash not a smash offer. He was respectful. We made out a little bit over the next few times I saw him but did not have sex. I was out of town for awhile and started dating someone else. We had planned to ride again with his staying with me but I told him I couldnt have him stay with me. He asked why, I told him I was seeing someone and he was super cool about it. We still ride together and have a blast, it hasnt been weird and I feel like were going to stay legitimate friends. I think this only works because while we both had a blast and found each other attractive neither of us was super invested in dating each other and we did not have sex."

"I met a guy on a dating app who I have now known for 4.5 years. We dated for about 6 weeks of that time (oddly, those 6 weeks were in roughly the middle of those 4.5 years, not at the beginning) and we continue to be friends today. I should point out that I have been using dating apps for around a decade and this is the only friendship thats ever come out of it."

"Nope. I have found ",

"Over 10 years ago, I met my late wife on the old version of OkCupid. Originally she was just a chat buddy and we never intended to meet because she lived almost 200 miles away and was 8 years younger than me. Circumstances conspired to have us eventually meet, and even when we tried to just be friends we ended up dating and then moving in together. Before her, I met and dated several women through the old OKC in my own area without ever really connecting with anyone. During that time, I was very active on the OKCupid message boards or forums of the time. I met a lot of people by socializing on there. I eventually met several of them, even ones that lived on the other side of the country miles away at one point. To this day, I maintain social media and chat friendships with some of those friends from OkCupid, even though I never met some of them in person. Now that I look at dating and how much its evolved in the years since then, Im a bit at a loss. Everything is swipe left, swipe right, focusing purely on pictures instead of personality and communication. I have read up a bit on it, and the general advice is to effectively get a makeover and hire a professional photographer to take good pictures of you for your profile so that people will swipe right on you and then maybe actually read your profile, otherwise you are not going to get even a foot in the door. Personally, I live in a small town with an insignificant singles population. We moved here because it was a good place to raise a family. Since moving here, my wife fell ill to cancer and passed, and my own health has declined to where Im disabled and have limited opportunities to travel. Having covid isolation thrown into the mix has made it that much easier for me to just not really consider trying to meet people or date. I have looked at various apps and services online, but its pretty pointless because there just are not really any single women in my area near my own age. I have not run across any platforms that allows the type of socializing that I was used to either."

"I am sorry about your wife. Old school OkCupid was such a different experience. Its that old internet that I miss so much. Sadly, now that everything has gotten so shallow and surface level, I do not see it ever going back to real profiles and actually getting to know people."

"Actually, yes I have! It was on Tinder! I matched with a cop In my area and even though there was an attraction there between the two of us we just did not align that well together. We met 3 years again and now hes one of my closest friends. He is married now and I have been in a serious long term relationship."

"Generalizations incoming."

"This has been SUPER common for me with women in the LGBT plus community, as a bi woman."

"With men? Almost non-existent, outside of friends ",

"I have also seen this way more common in certain subcultures like LGBTplus, kink, poly, etc. The pool of people is a lot smaller, so even if you do not click romantically its still nice to have friends who are part of your niche."

"Yes! I have multiple friends that I initially met through one of the apps."

"True friendships no. I tried to be friends with one and it backfired on me. I loved talking to him so reconnected thru dinner. He straight up asked me why I stopped dating him as I was taking a bite out of a burger. I thought I provided a respectful response and the conversation moved on. He ended the meal by hugging me and asking me to go visit a local attraction with him the coming up weekend. I was so excited to be doing something with someone outside of family!! It was a total revenge move on his part and I got ghosted lol"

"Thats horrifying"

"Yes, but it was a while ago."

"I dated my friend J for about 2 months after meeting on OKCupid approximately 10 years ago. Since then we have remained friends and she is one of my very closest friends. She was the witness at my wedding when I got married and has helped me navigate my divorce when it broke down."

"We were not suited romantically but something in the OKCupid algorithm was right about our compatibility otherwise. However, the way it works now is totally different - an app did not even exist when we met - and Im unsure that these match percentages are anywhere near as accurate/reflective as they used to be."

"ETA: might be worth noting that as a lesbian, its a fairly common and true stereotype to be friends with your exes. So worth noting that in my experience."

"Everyone who could intellectually take a step back and think she had the qualities to be a good friend I was interested in dating. At this point in my life, a boundary I have is to not be friends with women I want to date, so even if there is some friendship potential as well, I decline being friends in those cases."

"I currently have a friendship with one woman I have met on OLD, but part of me wonders if she still thinks we may end up as more."

"Every other woman I have met on OLD and tried to be friends with has been a bust. Either faded, ghosted, or worse, an unhealthy dynamic. I have had healthy friendships with women I have met on things other than OLD (even if we tried dating/fooling around and then stopped), but not the ones from OLD."

"Yeah same. Eventually the friendship fades, or the girl just ghosts one day. Usually when they get a boyfriend. Its funny because that hasnt happened with my female friends who I met in real life."

"Yes with the women. They seemed far more flexible about the outcomes and were always extremely communicative, even when expressing their indecisions and angst (seriously girl, thank you but like shut up)",

"Nope, even just yesterday a date that I was optimistic about (that I mention in the rant and rave section) said that shed be up for meeting again just just as friends and I (politely) noped out of that. I wanted to date her, and still would want to. She did not want to date me and thats OK. But deep down if Im romantically interested, its not just going to stop subconsciously if we say lets just be friends. Wouldnt be fair to either of us."

"i have definitely made friends with men i have dated from the apps, usually started out dating and ended things on good terms or just realized you liked each other but not in a LTR kinda way. of course with exes, its always good to have time apart after the initial breakup, but i have a handful of friends i have met on the apps that i consider pals now."

"Nope. Even if things ended on the best of terms with a guy, friendship is something Im just not interested in. I have enough friends in my life, and as a parent who works full time its hard enough making time to maintain those friendships as well as dating. I just do not have the time or the energy, or willingness really, to devote effort in cultivating a new friendship in that way."

"Yep!"

"My best friend and I dated for 6 months or so. Been great friends going on 7 years now."

"Depends on how you define lasting friendship."

"I have one ex that I exchange messages with every now and then but never actually see each other f2f"

"Another ex we message more frequently and pre-pandemic would get dinner infrequently"

"In my experience, most of the time it doesnt work to stay friends, I find that both parties have to resist the inclination to fall back into the old dating behaviours."

"Actually I did! I went on a date with this guy we previously chatted and talked on the phone for two weeks I thinkso the connection was already established. We both had a lovely time and after the date he said hes not looking for a gf and hes not really for a relationship but he would love for us to be friends. That was four years ago and he is one of my closes friends and wise versa. I think the key here was that he genuinely was not ready to date and was actually looking for a friendship not just saying it to blow me off."

"Goodness, I have a lot of male friends that I had dated in the past! I have been divorced and dating for a decade, and that time I have established 8 friendships. While we started off as breadcrumbing after a few dates, its turned into sharing important events in life. Helping each other with computer issues, home improvements, elderly parents, and sewing masks. Haha. We do not have sex, but definitely check in weekly."

"What I ponder, is how none of them have had a relationship in the past 10 years, either. And how we can get along so well personality-wise, but they did not want to date or marry me."

"Yep. Two lovely ladies. One of them has become a good friend and we travel to see each other sometimes. The other I still hang out with and we do a lot of cooking."

"Of course theres still a bunch of people who ghosted me, but thats the risk you take with online dating."

"So i went of a few dates with a lovely lass as I was coming out of a really bad situation. I thought I was fine but it was actually while trying to date this new person I realized I was incorrect, I was still messed up and not really in a position to date."

"Since then I have become somewhat friends with the new person. I no longer live in the same city but we both travel a lot so we have caught up when we are both in the same city. Shes a pretty awesome person so though I was 100% not ready to date her when we met I definitely wanted to stay in touch."

"Shit i did made frieds i think i am doing it all wrong"

"Oh yes I have! I have three guy friends I have met from off the dating apps that I am still friends with today. Oldest friendship is about 9 years. Then 5 and 3. All of them I only had one date with and actually, the 9 years friendship one I was genuinely looking for male friendships cause I was with an ex at the time so we never actually went on a date. None of these guy friends ever went beyond platonic."

"I normally sense right away if someone is suitable for a friendship or not. Then I extend the olive branch if they would like to continue by being friends. I have had a couple of others that agreed to be friends where we hung out a couple of more times but it was not too strong and we just now mutual Facebook friends (both married)."

"My girlfriends always find it fascinating I have been able to convert dates into friends but I have an outgoing and extroverted personality. And I always value getting to know people and friendships. I can generally sense if a guy would be the type of person that can have a friendship, without overstepping it."

"Yeah, not in the sense of we hang out every day and talk a whole lot, mostly because they live in different countries, but theres at least 4 guys I have met through Tinder that I consider friends and still talk to every now and then and would meet up with if theyre in the area, in the same way as I do with other friends I have met traveling."

"And theres some around here that I have on social media and talk to every now and then and were always happy to see each other if we run into each other."

"I have on Tinder but they only really lasted until I got engaged (to someone also met on Tinder). We were friends because we had something in common: single during lockdown. But once lockdown ends and people find partners elsewhere, it gets harder and harder to find common ground. A lot of the final messages I have from Tinder friends are them congratulating me on my engagement. And a couple Tinder friends I had to end things because they were more like This isnt the girl for you. You are making a mistake."

"Yes, I have! I was FWB with one for a few months, told him I wanted to stop that, and we have been just friends for 5 or 6 years now. Im really close friends with one of his ex girlfriends and I hang out with his current girlfriend too. I do not think thats at all feasible for most people, but hes in the whole poly/open relationship scene. His partners knew how we met, knew that we were absolutely not interested in any sexual or romantic dynamic happening again, and I think because of that plus their existing relationship dynamics, its been easier to keep that friendship."

"I have another friend who I met but never got romantic/sexual with that I hung out with consistently when we lived in the same city, and I still chat with him weekly. His girlfriend knows how we met and also is fine with it."

"I have several other people Im pretty friendly with but not close to, if that makes sense. Like well grab a random drink or go on a night out together within a shared social circle, but I do not call them to talk about my feelings."

"I think the difficult thing about using a dating app like a friendship app is that 1) both parties have to be totally ok with friendship. It sucks to have someone catch feelings and become slowly resentful if they arent able to accept that something more wont happen 2) if and when one of you gets an romantic partner and asks how yall met, there is a potential for friction that isnt there for like through work! or we met at so and sos party and hit it off! Despite rationally knowing there was not any romantic involvement, the initial base for the friendship may trigger some emotions that could lead to your friendship fizzling."

"Id probably just use bumble BFF or be pretty flexible on what friendship would look like plus disclose you want to be friends as soon as you know its not going to be romantic/sexual between you and the person you are matching with."

"Love this answer. Once you get to know someone, you know them deeply. The connection cannot be severed until one or both decide to cut the cord. I believe there is a different level of human intelligence at work. I decided to not date about a year ago coming out of 2plus years of polyamory so I could concentrate on trauma healing. I let all my partners know. Theyre still there, just not in the same capacity. But they hold me silently, with love and care. This business we carry on with in life where its either a relationship or its not, its bullshit. Its a lie. Love who you want to love when you want to love them. Communicate openly. The rest will figure itself out."

"Yes but we dated for 1.5 years. Shes still my best and closest friend to this day."

"Yes! I met a guy through OLD, we went on first date, he liked me more than I like him, I friend zoned him, but he seemed to have a good time with me. The relationship grew and we became more than friENDS. We cared for each other and we were together for a while. We are from two different cultures. He is the typical indian software enginner and I am latina. Somehpw we took a different direction. I found a bf and he got married. We still stay in touch through messages and I know we both really care for each other. I would say it is possible! I want to add we have know each other for almost 10 years!"

"Im still new to dating and Im non-binary demi, and I explicitly put on my profile, Looking for new people to connect with and do things as friends with potential to grow. And my matches have been similarly friendly. Theres a fair amount of people in my suggested matches who arent looking for a relationship either. Were working on ourselves, busy with life, not into integrating ourselves with another yet. Atm I have several new friendships forming. And being demisexual I need that friendship to form to ever be attracted to anyone romantically anyway so, it works out. And if I stay in the friendzone after X amount of time and I catch feelings, oh well. I have a friend still, I can let the feelings go. :)"

"I have a good story for this one. The answer is yes, it happened only once but it happened. I matched with this girl and we hit it off really nicely, we seemed very compatible and we set a date. Unfortunately, while texting before the date, we realized we had an incompatibility which was a deal breaker for me. We said farewell after that conversation and I thought that would have been just another dead end. Instead, one night we met at the theatre, she approached me and we had a very pleasant chat. We decided to go for dinner together afterwards, in a very spontaneous way, and we decided to keep in touch as friends. And we are still very good friends to this very day! So yeah, its rare but it can happen :D"

"Yes, once. I went on a couple dates with a woman I met on Tinder once and was not feeling it. She asked if we could still be friends and I said ok. Being friends with her has been fine years later and she even became friends with some of my other friends. I do not think its something you should try to force though."

"Three of my friends. new country during Covid so friendship was scarce. Though one is acting salty that I have a bf now. Mainly online friends. Text between daily and weekly. But meet up once every few months for a catch up."

"All at least 1 year old. Oldest nearing 3 years."

"do not use OLD for friendship though. these three were because we liked similar hobbies or have similar ideas but emotionally we did not match and one his family did not approve of him dating a white girl. I have dated much more in this time and only had a relationship with one of those three."

"In a roundabout way, yes. I became friends with my boyfriends friends, and when our relationship ended, I continued to hang out with some of his friends. Im still in touch with him too, but only very infrequently and not really with the intention of developing a friendship."

"Yupp! One of my best friends is from a dating app. We kissed once many years ago but thats it. I know its rare but Im happy it worked out!"

"I have, but I think its WAY harder to do once you are past 30. I do not really suggest it to the people I go on dates with anymore the way I used to if a date did not work out in my 20s but the person seemed cool. Nowadays its only happened with people I have gone on at least several dates with so that we had a bit of a cadence already."

"I think its really more of something you do in your 20s as well because you are more likely to be new to a place and not have an existing friend group."

"I could see if you had a niche interest like rock climbing, it might make more sense."

"Most of the time though I think its good to focus on one thing - romance - if a friendship ",

"I do not use dating apps, but I absolutely have here on Reddit. Guys and girls, I have had dinner with a few, gamed, went hiking, seen movies, etc.."

"You can find good people anywhere if you are open to it."

"Yes, several times. When there hasnt been strong mutual attraction but we are having fun, things often develop naturally towards friendship."

"OK Cupid used to support this really well, because you could simultaneously be looking for a wide variety of different kinds of relationships, and you did not need to pigeonhole someone before even meeting them."

"I miss the old OK Cupid and the culture around it."

"I have (M) have made a few friends (F). was not my intention but they were good people and we either did not have a romantic connection or the distance/circumstances prevented us from dating each other."

"if they do it becomes a temporary friendship that slowly fades or completely disappears once they find the relationship they were looking for "

"It is the case for me, a woman that I would speak on the fone everyday and we told our lives to one another. I did not want to date her, not my type really and she had two children. But eventually she found a boyfriend and got married. I saw everything on instagram and liked her pictures, happy for her. But, off course, the friendship ended as soon as she got the boyfriend."

"Yeah."

"I have a good friend of about 16 years I met on POF way back. We used to hook up but as we grew up, we just stayed friends. We fight like an old married couple now but we have always kept in touch and see each other a couple times a year for lunch."

"I have made a few other friends too but we arent as close or stay in contact as long. Most fade out or are short lived. Id say I have maybe 5 friends I met drom dating apps that were not of romantic interest after we met and became friends instead. Whether they know thats how I felt, not sure but they do not seem to mind and are dating other people."

"Um as a guy I have tried this but the girls never follow up or they just keep me as a pen pal when they need advice or somthing."

"But just my experience"

"no. im friends with a couple exes that i met on dating apps, and back when tinder had the tinder social feature we used that to make friends, but otherwise no. it is always weird for the person who is friend zoned to hear about the other persons dates and new relationships. do not use a dating app to try to make friends."

"I did for a few months but the friendship did eventually fade. Nothing happened, just gradually stopped talking and hanging out."

"Though I was sad the friendship faded, I did enjoy the ability to get to know someone slowly and having it not be romantic from the jump. It felt like we were naturally feeling each other out and not jumping straight into romance (which has often been my experience with OLD). I decided to adopt a slower mindset more intentionally the last time I was on a dating app and met up with a guy. I communicated my approach with him and he seemed uninterested in a relationship if it was not strictly dating. I completely understand that but it did kind of bum me out. IMO, theres still something really enjoyable about being open to meeting new people, possibly being friends, and then possibly more."

"I have suggested it to women I have dated/met up with in the past on OLD, but it never led to any sustained friendship."

"My thought was that even if we did not end up having romantic chemistry in person, we had enough in common otherwise to hang out."

"Understandable though, I feel like the portion of the OLD population that is open to friendship is pretty small. Separating that mentality on an app that is meant for romantic dating is a fairly hefty proposition for a lot of people."

"I have never made a lasting friendship with someone that I dated and then we turned out to be better as friends, if thats what you mean."

"I have met a few people off of dating apps as friends and then we continued into a successful friendship. neither of us met with any other expectations other than to be friends. no secret desires to end up sleeping together etc. I think finding that is probably rare, since most people are not on dating apps to find friends."

"Yes. A casual thing I had with a guy a few years ago, were now roommates. We were just friends for about 18 months in between, lots of common interests. Its occasionally gotten a bit weird, especially when we bring up dating and well say well it was not like that when. Or something, but its never uncomfortable"

"One that got fairly close. Despite the insurmountable dealbreaker (she never wanted kids due to parental trauma, I wanted to be a father someday), we bonded over a shared love of The Bachelor and cats and decided to meet up anyway. Plus it was in the middle of the pandemic, so it was good company. We had this going on for about two-three months, talking with each other almost every day, her coming over every week to watch Bachelor in Paradise/Bachelor GOAT specials and me coming to her neighborhood from time to time, sharing almost everything that friends would do, even our own respective dating journeys."

"What kind of started to end things was that for her birthday, we spent a weekend at Storm King and stayed at a hotel overnight together and ended up cuddling with each other, but no sex. I did tell her that while cuddling with her felt great (especially as a single guy living alone in a pandemic), this did not change anything about our friendship for better or worse and it seemed like things were okay. That is until I shared another dating failure and she blew up on me. After a week of silence, she did admit that she developed feelings for me over time, despite the fact that we agreed that nothing would develop beyond friendship because of our long-term incompatibility. We decided to separate right after having that talk."

"Looking back at it, I would have loved to see the multiverse version of the whole friendship/situationship-lite if we actually agreed on the kids? stance, either me saying I did not want kids either or her saying that she does. Heck, maybe even reverse where I did not want kids but she did. Because outside of that, I could definitely see being in a relationship with her. Just a very interesting moment of time."

"Yes! I have with one guy. He realized he was not in a mental place to date, so he was about to stop talking to me, but asked first if we wanted to be friends instead, and I said sure! That was last June and we still keep in touch! The only thing is Im in America and hes in England (it was a worldwide mbti dating app called Boo), but I did meet him when I visited England last Fall and we hung out twice. Nothing romantic or sexual, just good friends!!"

"Yes, once. I was living overseas (in the us from Brazil) and started seeing this guy. After 2 months, on the timing of so are we dating? he accepted a job offer in MA (we were in IL) and was moving in two months, and we decided not pursuing a LDR but remaining friends. One month after he told me that I moved to CA, and he even drove me to the airport. Later that year he went to CA for work and we hung out as friends. Idk about him but I was legitimately seeing him as a good friend at that point. This was in 2017, I am back home and we still talk as friends"

"Only once, with a guy I met on Tinder. We both felt the same in the sense that we genuinely enjoy each others company, but there was no interest in anything more."

"Hes been dating someone lovely for several years and they plan to get married. We live about an hour apart so we do not hang out often, but we meet up every year to catch up and hang out for a few hours. Its great!"

"I originally made my dating profile to just make platonic friends. I started using online dating around summer 2009 and I did make a handful of friends though honestly the longest friendship I sustained might have been 2 years. The main reason we were friends so long is because dating would have been a dead end as he was still in his 20s when we met and he wants children. We just had a lot in common interests wise and once he said to me were basically the same person. That said, I ended up having complicated feelings and I shut the door on the friendship and then he moved out of town."

"I really miss some of the short term friendships I made from using online dating because I did not know a single soul in Portland and they helped me navigate my time in a new city, have fun and attempt to find the best pizza slice in town."

"Yes! I have a few guys I met on dating apps that I was not compatible with romantically, but now consider some of my dearest friends."

"Just one. But were mostly online friends and occasionally talk on the phone."

"Yes. Two, in fact. One we dated for a few months and have been friends for several years since. The other we decided before we ever met that we were more friends material than romantic. We were friends for a bit and then roommates for 3 years, back to friends as they are just plain moving on and Im preparing to move in with my partner. Both are completely drama free."

"Without anything happening between us? Yes, with a woman. We were both new in town and never felt the spark, from the beginning she suggested we chill with a group of friends. Were still great friends years later."

"With men, we first had a relationship then realized we were better as friends. Still a lasting friendship. :)"

"A few for sure. One of my best friends was someone I met on a dating app, but I was just a workaholic so it did not work out but, we have since become peas in a pod."

"The last one threatened to commit suicide because I did not reciprocate my interest towards her then told people I was not sensitive towards her threats after I called a doctor for her and tried to calm her down by talking about her dog. Not sure this one is going to be salvageable"

"I lost touch with him now but I did match with a guy once that ended up being a nice friendship. We lived in different cities and the age difference/different places in life meant we did not have any romantic chemistry. But we ended up being friends for a while."

"Same situation with a two different guys. We used to check up on each other periodically. They both got married. One of them actually reached out after and thanked me for being a really good friend. I did not realize it but when he had gone through a big break up, I had helped him get through it and not lose hope. He said he appreciated it. I think were still IG friends. Likewise, it was really nice that I could vent to him when I was struggling with things he could relate to or understand that no one else could."

"Sometimes, you just meet someone who you realize isnt your person. But they can offer you perspective or be a good friend."

"Yes, surprisingly I have."

"Only one friend from years back. Dates did not pan out. She found someone, then hit me up a year later looking to reconnect, but I was in a relationship by then. Eventually we just became good acquaintances. Never had anything romantic. We chat randomly on social media still and catch up once or twice a year in person. Neither of us ever pushed for a buddy-buddy hang out all the time type of friendship though if thats what you are looking for."

"The biggest challenge was that some of my exes were not very happy about her. One even went as far as saying for your future relationships you should be careful about having friends from dating apps, but Im not sure how to navigate that other than be transparent. Im not going to just unfriend her. But I havent pushed very hard for additional OLD friends ever since. The friction just isnt worth it. I feel like itd set an awkward precedent for future relationships I intend to take very seriously."

"As far as making regular friends goes, I have found meeting people through hobbies to be much more effective and fun. You have mutual interest right off the bat and can align schedules and meet consistently and eventually extend to hanging out outside the hobby (eg dinner)."

"Yes. I met someone in 2015 on Match and while we never kissed or had any romantic or sexual encounter we remain VERY good friends to this day."

"I also have another friend I met around the same time and while we did hookup a couple of times back then, there is no sexual or romantic tension with us now."

"In this day and age these are pretty solid, long lasting friendships."

"I have. We quickly realized we were not on the same page for dating but that we liked the same music, had similar sense of humor, and we actually both worked for the same university. Those few things in common formed a friendship. I started dating someone and he was happy for me and he has now started dating someone and Im so happy for him. We text each other every few days to catch up or to vent but our conversations have never crossed a line. My boyfriend knows who he is and his gf knows about me too."

"Yes but the circumstances were unique enough that they prevented crossed lines. We met out of town at a themed restaurant when I was travelling with friends who did not want to go, and he moved out of the country shortly after. We send memes once and awhile, or talk about games. Its a very lowkey friendship that is hobby oriented."

"Otherwise no, and to be honest I already have a healthy social life so the idea of making friends with people off apps sounds exhausting. I use them for a specific purpose and I do not want blurred lines"

"Yes. I met a guy about 7 years ago. We dated for a bit (never slept together). I wanted more, he said he couldnt.. It ended up that he was widowed, so it became complicated. Went through about 6 months of tension - broken expectations - lots of communication. A real mess. We opted for friends with strict non sexual boundaries. Being on the other side of it all, we love each other (platonically) to pieces, but holy hell it took a lot of work and isnt for the faint of heart. If either of us get lucky enough to find a partner we will surly be at each other weddings."

"Theres a meme somewhere that talks about how you do not need to sleep with or date everyone you have chemistry with, instead you should just open a taco truck together. He and I joke that we should have just opted for the taco truck from the start. :)"

"Lady here - i actually have 2 really good male friends from tinder."

"Yes, adults who recognized we get on well but the romantic spark just isnt there. Were great friends, and its comfortable"

"The last two girls I dated actually. Met both on bumble (dating I forget bumble has a friends and networking feature)I think? Weirdly enough in both situations they were only gonna be in town for 3 or 4 months tops. So we just enjoyed the time together and then when they had to leave it was not on bad terms. they are probably two of my closest friends now funnily enough."

"That said, we met as potential dating partners first and foremost. Ngl unless you have it clearly stated at the top of your profile that you are looking for friendships, it DOES bug me when I match with someone and they tell me they are only looking for friends. Like thats obviously why most people are there, its still a dating app. And as a guy who only gets a match maybe once or twice a month, to be then told they only want a friend feels a little like a bait and switch and 9 out of 10 times I stop talking to them because thats not what Im here for."

"I have, although it was not the original intention."

"Back in 2003, I matched with a woman on OKCupid. I was heavy into Argentine tango at the time, while she and her recently-ex-boyfriend had taken some tango classes, so we went out dancing a few times. (It actually turned out that I had seen her and her ex a couple weeks prior at a sci-fi convention, where I noticed them specifically because they were practicing tango there.)"

"There was some initial chemistry, but I did not immediately pursue it because I had already booked a trip to Sweden for a first in-person meeting with a woman Id been emailing back and forth with for several months. After meeting in person, I decided to pursue the Swede, but the local woman and I remained close friends until I moved to Sweden in 2008. We do not talk that often any more, but we do both make a point of meeting up whenever I visit the States."

"Yes. Sort of."

"A guy I kept coming across on and chatted to Tinder never resulted in a date. All the time we were talking, I kept thinking I know this guy, Im sure I recognise him"

"Few weeks later, went to the local nightspot and he was there! Thats where I knew him from. We got talking and we have been friends ever since. I see him and ",

"I have found one actual friend through a dating app. Only real success I have had out of them. "

"i made a legitimate lasting marriage with someone i met on a dating app."

"10 years so far"

"I have got a few, actually. For various reasons dating did not work out but we got along well enough that we made a concerted effort to remain friends."

"Not what I have been on there for, mind - but if Im not feeling dating, but still enjoy someones company, Im open to it!"

"I met one of my best friends on tinder. We did not date, however, which is probably why were able to be friends. I met another friend, but we have lost touch."

"I personally have found that a lot of straight men have a hard time being friends with women, especially if you met them in the context of online dating. I have had some sort term friends, but most guys ghost out once they start dating someone."

"I do have one friend I met when OkCupid was in its death knell in 2018 and we have stayed friends, but we had kind of an odd short term relationship. Were fairly close in terms of knowing a lot about each other, but do not always talk a lot."

"I met someone when I was interviewing for a job in a new city/state 8 years ago. He became my BFF for years after living here. Sadly politics got ratcheted up during COVID and became a divide between us. We still talk but have grown apart."

"Met two of my best friends on Tinder"

"I met a guy on bumble and the day before our date he canceled because he had a lot of personal drama with his ex. We continued to chat as friends and spoke in such an open and pressure/expectation free way that we forged a great friendship before we ever met in person. It has been a little over a year and we are both in happy relationships but I still have long text conversations with at least once a week."

"I think i just lucked out and do not expect that this happens to many people."

"I met someone who was not a viable partner for me due to distance. We continued to chat intermittently via text for 5 years and I ended up setting him up with someone I know who lives closer to him."

"Yes its possible after you sleep with them first lol"

"Im assuming you mean friends of opposite sex? Growing up I always preferred to hang out with the guys, I was bored going shopping with the girls. But in relationships I have sort of stepped back from hanging out with guy friends (as they have gotten girlfriends too). I have recently joined dating sites and started chatting to guys I have hobbies in common with..some I think I could be friends with..but I think most guys go on dating sites for a relationship or hook up so probably not looking to make female friends."

"Yes! I met someone and we just really clicked when we started messaging. We were so similar and had SO much in common, I remember thinking Im going to be really sad if this doesnt work out, because I just really enjoy him as a person. Well, about 6 years later were still really good friends. We never dated after our initial date, neither of us had romantic feelings toward each other. But luckily we stayed close! We have even traveled out of the country together. He has a serious girlfriend who he lives with now, but luckily she is cool with our friendship. Definitely the best thing I have gotten out of these silly dating apps!"

"I have met several people on dating apps that have become long term friends and hopefully lifelong. In every scenario, its been meeting with romantic hopes/intentions, a few dates to get to know one another which builds basic human connection, followed by realizing there isnt a romantic avenue as agreed upon by both parties. This has resulted in very close friendship numerous times over the years. Id wager in scenarios where 1 party IS romantically interested OR if lust is addressed BEFORE genuine human connection, itd be more tricky."

"In 2 years I have met one person that I have remained friends with, although I can say it is a close friendship, and honestly it has mostly hinged on running into each other randomly. Once at a community volunteer event and again at a work type event because we work in similar circles. We have met up once more during a big public event in town. So while I do believe its possible, it is not common"

"Friendships yes, marriage material no"

"Im friendly with a couple of them. One is a favorite. I do like flirting and we do have chemistry but we also did not see a relationship. It was an odd occurrence where both parties were like this was great, you are great- but also something is missing. Cant have hard feelings about someone feeling the same ya know? But I think thats the only reason we get along now. Maybe we just have great platonic chemistry. No idea."

"The other ones arent as easy because there was one person with unrequited feelings (some me, some him) in each of those equations and that makes it harder to cope. But if things ended on a positive note and I think they helped me grow somehow in the process I wont block them and I will stay connected on social media. It depends on how they made me feel during and after our experience."

"Yes, actually! Met my friend on Tinder about 9 years ago, went out once and realized there was no spark, but we had a lot of common interests and kept in touch. Friendship grew from there and I attended her wedding last October."

"Yeah definitely! Im still really good friends with at least 3 people I met where we did not click romantically after a few dates. I dated one of them for like 4 months and it did not work out but we stayed friends."

"I met my best friend on a dating app nearly eight years ago. It honestly helped that there was a direct correlation between how well we knew each other and how romantically attracted to each other we were (the more we got to know one another, the less romantically attracted we became)."

"Were basically family at this point. we have been there through every shitty situation imaginable, and shes going to be the best woman at my eventual wedding. If either one of us started dating someone who had an issue with our friendship, it would be a dealbreaker."

"All that to say, its very possible, but it takes a lot of work to make the friendship last and get it to a point where its strictly platonic and neither party thinks about the other romantically or sexually."

"Im working on at least one woman I had gone on a few dates with, went to a fun board game day with her friends some time after we parted and had a good time. I tend to swipe on people with a lot of mutual interests so the transition felt natural."

"No, I have only had one friend in my life who was a girl and that friendship ended terribly, so no. There are women I have met where I would say I am friendly with, and if i saw them in public I certainly would say hi and not be rude, but an actual friend? no"

"Yeah in November I swiped on someone who had similar Spotify picks (mine are pretty rare for my area). I did not think we had anything in common other than music. She matched and messaged me saying she did not want to date but wanted to be friends."

"We go to shows together and share music we find pretty often."

"I have another Tinder hookup who turned into a friendship later on through circumstances."

"It can happen, but its more rare than dating someone."

"No."

"If it happens incidentally then thats great and I do know people who have ended up friends with someone they had a date with or whatever, but I think if you are actively seeking friends then IMO you are better off focusing on methods other than tinder. Most lasting friendships are built through repeated contact and shared experiences, whether thats school, uni, work or groups associated with passions/hobbies/interests or whatever, not dates that did not go anywhere."

"Yep! And to be fair, 2. Out of 2 years of dating apps, so it is not common at all imo"

"yes, made a great friend but she was in an open relationship so I think was totally happy with the fact we did not end up in a romantic situation"

"most women I meet through apps are into me but if I end up preferring to be friends they kinda go sour on the idea"

"I have yes, met a girl on a dating app. We dated for about 2-3 months then she moved as she was only in my city on a temporary work contract. We maintained a friendship and still communicate. Met her approximately 4 years ago. Havent seen her in person since she left my city."

"Yep! I have made a dear, dear friend with someone that I had initial chemistry with. We gave it a shot and it did not work out but we have since become really close friends and I just cherish her!"

"Nope doesnt work I have tried that with ones who I were not interested in relationship wise as a nice way to say Im not feeling this romantically. Now a days I do not think thats even possible."

"No, Unfortunately I have not."

"Yes!! But with a big caveat."

"So, one of my best friends now, is a girl who I originally net on a dating site. We caught up for a date, had a reasonable time but I think we both realised that there was not romantic feelings there, bit we still thought each other was cool and interesting."

"So we kept in touch via IMs (this was like 2005), occasionally seeing each other online and chatting a bit. About 4 years later, we were msging one night and she said you should come up and visit. Shed gotten married in the meantime."

"So I said ok sure and went up there, and we have been best friends ever since. Her hubby is also now one of my closest friends, and I ended up dating her sister a number of years later."

"Apart from that, I have one other very close friend that I met on a chat program called ICQ (anyone remember that??). I would have approached her to try and date her originally, but I found out that she was like 12 haha - I was 19, so its not quite so bad! And shes always been extremely mature for her age!"

"Became mates after one date and then 4 years of occasional chats on IM apps"

"Or"

"2. Became mates because girl was unavailable for some reason, thus removing sexual tension from the equation."

"Yes"

"Way back when OKCupid allowed you to freely search and had forums and stuff I did a search for my highest match in the country. She lived way away from me but we started talking and eventually exchanged numbers."

"I have gone to meet her and we talk everyday. I would actually be interested in dating her, but I do not think shes interested plus theres the distance thing."

"Im proofreading the PhD thesis of a woman I met on tinder in January. Its for fun and to help."

"Thats all I have ever gotten from dating apps- friends. Not knocking it since friends is cool, but finding a date might be a welcome change one of these days."

"I have. Took years to get out of the still-pining stage on my end but thankfully I always kept that on the low."

"Yeah!"

"I fumbled my phone and accidentally super liked someone."

"I was all oh but figured nothing would come of it."

"But he messaged me back by name!! It was someone I knew. But I did not remember him at all."

"So I showed his picture to my friends and one was all yeah thats Ben. We went to school with him"

"So I was all hi! And played it off. We had a nice time chatting so we agreed to meet for coffee."

"We met and he said that he remembered that I like Tennis, that he had seen me at church and that I was quiet in class, but that he did not think wed ever spoken to each other in our lives!"

"So I explained the super like and he said he figured it was something like that because no one ever likes him."

"Well we had a good time and decided to be friends. We meet for coffee every week and have gone in together on a pickle ball set. When things dry out were going to start playing."

"Anyway, hes a nice guy and a nice companion and Im glad my finger slipped"

"Queer woman here. For sure!"

"I have a few friends I met on apps. One of my best friends and I met, had two dates, agreed we did not have romantic chemistry but though each other was cool. Now three years later she was the first friend I called to help me process a traumatic thing."

"I have a few other friends that I dated a bit more that Im still close with, though not.",

"I have met people I thought were good friends but sooner or later you end up realizing there is a one-sided crush going on. Sometimes it can really catch you off guard."

"I have two long-term friends I met on dating apps. We lived kinda far but matched when I was traveling. I have met one but the other is p much an Internet/social media friend. We have a lot in common but between distance or whatever, we havent dated."

"Yes. Over a year ago I met a guy on Facebook dating, we hit it off amazingly well but after a few dates realized that we were not really a romantic match. Personality wise we are super compatible and while hanging out one night he told me that he thought I was his best friend. And I am. I now consider him to be one of my best friends."

"I havent, although that isnt to say Im completely opposed to it. In most cases though if I match with somebody on a dating app I find them attractive, and if they have a personality Id want to be friends with then you have friendship plus attractive and that is pretty much what a relationship is to me, so Im generally not going to want to be just friends."

"Sort of! One time. The first couple dates went fine but the connection was not there. Or maybe the connection was there but we were on different pages in our lives? Either way, we keep in touch, text, follow each other on social media, make the occasional plan to hang, etc etc. Who knows whatll happen in the future but Im happy to have another friend!"

"no. I had several friendships form, but for some reason or another we stopped talking after awhile."

"21 m and she was 19 f. It lasted a year and a half. At our age I think thats pretty decent especially considering I kept with her during her first year in college and through a one month trip to France which hopefully she did not cheat on me during."

"Not really. Everything usually just fades out once we determine were not a romantic match, and Im not good at maintaining friendships with exes."

"Currently there is one woman I went on two dates with that really wanted to remain friends. Im trying but it feels so forced."

"I have. Two of my friends I met and dated through OKCupid, even though the relationships did not work out we have stayed close friends for 12 years and 8 years respectively."

"I have, three. All guys who i got on really well with and had a sort of fwb thing that just turned into really good friends over time."

"One is my ex wife and parent of my son! I dated a woman for about 3 months and we still get together for lunch. One I have never actually met in person, but we have been sending dumb pictures of our cats to each other for like 2 years."

"I met someone via dating site in 2007. We are still friends today. We have hooked up, but I think knowing that we arent each others relationship material- as we live very different lifestyles, etc. We decided to build a friendship, and it worked for us."

"I think if you are open to it, you can find people to be friends with. I do think it can be really difficult for some if one has a jealous personality, you need to be willing to actually be friends- no hidden feelings (this means being able to discuss dating/relationships.)"

"I have"

"I have met a few. Being in the Navy people come and go, but I have a few I met in tinder that have moved to other bases that I will see, friends only, when Im in their area."

"good friends? no. But there is one guy who I met on Tinder way back like 6-7 years ago who Im still kind of friends with. It was not on purpose though. We had maybe 4 dates and made out once or twice and things just sort of fizzled. But then we kept running into each other like at concerts and stuff. And we had tons in common. mostly music and entertainment interests. So we have occasionally gotten together again. We have been to a few concerts together. He came over and watched some new episodes of a TV show we both liked. I went to a house party he had. Not a super important friendship, but its there nonetheless. Hes a good dude."

"yes, absolutely. one of the girls I met on tinder has become one of my closest friends to this date."

"Once."

"I dated this guy I met on bumble for about 3 months before he broke it off. When we met the first time, it was like wed known each other our whole lives. Instant banter, comfortable around each other, just an easiness Id never experienced. I was obviously upset when he ended it and we did not talk for about a month. I thought about him every day. I called him one day and we instantly said how much we missed each other in that month and he expressed how much he would like it if we could be friends but he also understood if I couldnt do that. I decided I would rather have him as a friend then nothing at all. Last month we celebrated him and his fiance having their first child together and Im so happy I get to be a part of that with them. (Side note, his fiance is much better suited to him and I will forever be thankful that she welcomed me into her life as well) So basically, I got 2 friends and Im an honorary aunt just because a date did not work out. How lucky am I?!"

"No for me too. I tried with a couple of girls, but it never really took off once we just wanted to be friends. And the other girls I either slept with, dates, or we just ended it right then and there because we both did not feel it on the date."

"I did date a guy off tinder and when we called it off (early on), we stayed firm friends. Sadly the dating was throughout a very bad mental health period for him, and about 8 months after just being friends he ceased communication after another breakdown. Had it not been for the mental health aspect, I do believe we would have stayed firm friends, but that is an unusual case."

"And to note - he called off the friendship with me, to work through things alone. I did not call it off with him because of the mental health issues."

"Yep! I met one of my closest friends on tinder. We dated for a couple weeks. Hes poly, and his main girlfriend at the time was awful and I just couldnt deal with it so broke it off. We maintained a friendship though and 4 or so years later Im still here and shes long gone, thankfully."

"Met another good friend on tinder as well. She had a profile set up for her and her husband, but also said she was interested in just making friends so I matched with her and told her I did not have an interest in being a unicorn but could see about being friends. We have developed quite a lovely friendship!"

"Yes. 1- We went kayaking, and then she took me to a really nice restaurant. (She warned me to bring a change of clothes) I knew she was outdoorsy so I made her an Altoids survival kit as a little trinket to remember our first date. She walked me to my door when dropping me off and said that she had a great time and then almost in unison we said but I do not feel any chemistry. It was a v wholesome interaction and we were hiking buddies for several years after before she moved for school and then became busy with health concerns. Still talk to her through Discord and Facebook regularly."

"I have met a few people on tinder that have only been and still are really good friends of mine. Granted its not what I went into it for, but its what I came out with."

"You mean you havent gotten only bots?"

"Yes I have met friends on dating apps, I usually know after the first date if the person is someone I want to seek a romantic/platonic or a non relationship with."

"One of my closest guy friends was someone I met off an app a few years ago. I think what was key for us working was there was not ever a romantic spark for me. I dated him after a terrible ex and he was a 180 from him, which made me feel he was a guy worth keeping around. When it was ending, I was terrified of losing such a good person. Thankfully, as I suspected, he really was a gem and graciously was on board for us to transition into full friendship. Im very grateful for him!"

"Yea, I met a girl on Tinder in October 2021, chatted for a month and then went on 1 date. Mutually decided we were not compatible (age gap and differences on kids), but kept texting. Its now April and were still friends. Its kinda nice getting the opinion of someone 10 years younger than me sometimes. Shes a good person."

"One person I met on tinder is now the dungeon master for the current DnD campaign Im in for me and a couple of friends. It can happen. The first date was awful, but he turned out to be a great friend and DM"

"Hasnt happened. Seems like if there was not enough interest to be romantically involved, theres not enough for a friendship either."

"Yep, definitely a handful."

"Ye, I moved from AZ right before she was moving to the exact same city so we hung out for a summer and it was legit."

"We still talk and I hang out with her parents sometimes and babysit their dog lol"

"Yes. Almost a year ago I matched with a guy on OKCupid. I am monogamous, but he was in an open, long-distance relationship. We agreed to meet as friends. Although there were some sparks early on, I reiterated that I was not interested in a non-monogamous setup so we both re-committed to being platonic. Today its absolutely one of my favorite friendships. We spend a lot of time together and it feels way more comfortable now that the sexual element has been removed."

"Not super long lasting yet but itll get there Im sure. We met about a year ago on bumble. We met and hit it off pretty quick. I thought we were going to get together because she always wanted me over and jumped right into the romance and sex."

"When I finally asked her if she wanted to be together, we talked and she was looking for something else long term. Basically I have a kid and she doesnt ever want them, or anyone elses. Which is cool, I understood that."

"She wanted to keep being FWBs though, so we did that for a while. Wed continue dating other people, take breaks on the sex when we found one we liked, and continued after the inevitable breakup."

"After a while, she found a more serious boyfriend. By the time they broke up, we decided not to have sex anymore because wed become such good friends. I miss it sometimes, but I was able to hold off on catching feelings again after we decided to just be FWBs anyways so it was not a huge deal."

"Now we still talk like everyday. Give each other advice on dates, people, and just general life stuff. Shes the person I go to when I go through a shitty breakup or something, and Im the one she goes to in the same situation."

"Looking back, Im glad we did not get together. It wouldnt have lasted as long and making a real friend is harder for me than getting a date anyways"

"I have made a few good friends. One is actually my roommate now lol"

"I made four text friends from Bumble. I still talked to two of them almost daily. We rarely meet up irl though."

"Yep! A couple, actually. One guy I casually dated for about six months before the romantic dynamic fizzled out, and now were actually real friends. Two other guys I keep in infrequent, but definitely really friendly, contact with."

"I met a woman on tinder a couple years ago. We started out as friends from the start with maybe some hookups every now a then. We did everything together frequently including hiking, going to the movies, BBQs, etc we eventually slowly but surely faded apart and I havent spoken to her in about 2 months now by choice."

"She just became very distant and started ignoring me when she found new, I guess better friends. She stopped reciprocating my energy entirely and I have a rule about not putting effort into folks who never return it. Not gonna force someone to invest in me, I want them to want to invest in me."

"I have definitely had some good lasting friends on dating apps."

"I did a lot of solo travel so dating apps were sometimes a way to find people to do things with."

"One instance we both had something in our profiles about Excel and clicked pretty well. did not end up meeting up then, but was on a couple of long trips and met up with her twice?"

"Even let me crash at her and her BFs place one time flying through on a stopover. After the first missed connection just thought it was going to be a very friendship based relationship."

"Super cool chick though."

"Why not just use bumble bff?"

"I have made a few but it was long before tinder, when online dating was very different."

"I have. One friend I see once in a while (we live far across town from each other) and have known him/been pals for about 7 years now- each going through other relationships. And I have another friend I see a lot more of, and chat with regularly for the past three years, each going through other relationships"

"yes stayed friends with one guy i dated briefly. wasnt looking for that, it just kinda happened naturally. I do not think its something you can force, and if you go into dating looking for that you may end up disappointed."

"Several! One of my closest friends is just a rando from Tinder. Been friends since 2015 or so now!"

"I am not really into friendships so doesnt work for me."

"Yes! I went on a great date with someone in a different country - about 2000-2500 miles from where I lived and we ended up staying in touch and becoming friends over the subsequent 7 years. I caught up with him last week when my husband and I were visiting Vancouver for a week. Otherwise, no, any friendships that followed after datingship or relationships ended lasted maybe a year or 2 and fizzled out. Technically Im friends with my husbands friend who inadvertently introduced us (after we went on dates, I asked to just be friends), but in the last few years, hes not been a great friend to my husband (whom hes known since middle school) and turns out is quite aggravating and annoying so idk if thats a friend-- more an acquaintance whom I went on a couple dates with years ago."

"yes, my twinsies. aka birthday bestie.."

"I have made a couple of friendships. One is closer than the others. I met him on OKCupid a little bit less than 12 years ago. We started out seeing each other, I was more into him than he was into me, he moved away but visited the area enough that we morphed into FWB, I moved and ended up being closer to him (he was not even a factor in my decision to move) and continued FWB who do not see each other that much but talk regularly for another 3 years. He then met his now fiance and we transitioned to platonic friends. We backed off communication a lot for the first year or so of their relationship (she lived close to me and I did not want to cause any issues for them, plus I had to fully get over my own feelings that had always been lingering). We then gradually regrew our platonic friendship over the past five years and now hes one of my closest friends and the relationship is completely platonic (we have the same sense of humor and are both super competitive so thats what allows us to get along)."

"I have gotten a few other friendships over the years, however they tend to fizzle after someone gets in a relationship."

"I have!"

"I am female and typically make male friends more easily than female ones, so I wound up on a lot of dates with who were my friend type. Most of the time I did not want to ask if they just wanted to be friends in case they found that insulting, but one if them it just kind of organically morphed into a friendship. We still talk a lot and became genuinely close. The other told me he was only looking fwb and asked if I was down, a said no and he asked if I wanted to be friends. We have dinner every now and again."

"Honestly most of the connections I made on dating apps would have been better suited as friendships, and I wish there was a way to say that without it seeming like a consolation prize or polite rejection."

"Yes! I met one guy who rejected me after the first date because he wants children in the future and Im done having him. He was so respectful in that, and wed had such a good time, that I asked that we remain friends. He was new in town and came to Thanksgiving at my house that year. Hes now dating someone else but we still schedule hang time at least once per month."

"Another I met and we had a great 10 hour adventure together in our first meeting and immediately decided to be friends. We became weekend drinking buddies and he introduced me to the person I have been seeing for the last four months."

"Yes I have met friends through apps and then met friends through them."

"I see dating apps as just a way to meet ppl - yes most use it for dating, but I see it as people go on there and look for whatever they want- friendships, hookups, fwbs, serious relationships."

"I think this might be unconventional, but I have had very long stable fwbs before I got with my current partner. Those fwb are now just friends."

"I always emphasized at the start that fwb has friend in it, meaning you are a friend even if the benefits disappear. My previous fwbs are now just friends and I have met friends through them. We talk just like any other friends - asking advice about life, jobs, dating, etc."

"I have also straight up met friends from dating apps. Would say Im not interested for whatever reason but if theyre interested in friendship then cool. If not also cool."

"Its hard to meet new people, so I think its great I have met people in this way. I will note that most of these friends arent the kind of friends you see often but more catch up now and then friends. Send funny memes friends."

"I met my best friend through OLD a few years ago. We dated for three months then broke up but enjoyed each other enough to continue a friendship. It has been difficult at times but we have made it work and the hard times actually bring us closer together. I value him more than most people in my life. It can happen!"

"Yup, met a woman who happened to be travelling through my town while she was living her best nomadic life. We hit it off pretty well and I went to visit her a couple of times in the random places she ended up. It was not meant to be but was good while it lasted. We have been in touch ever since. Nothing crazy nowadays, comments on IG photos and the occasional text session or phone call about once a month. She and her husband are planning a visit this summer and Im looking forward to it."

"Definitely"

"Two of my best friend are guys I met on tinder, but after a few dates realized we were better as friends. Its been years and we still talk almost daily."

"My two closest friends that are women are women I have met on dating apps."

"One I have kept in touch with for about 5 years. She got married since then and now I hang out with her and her husband and think theyre both great. The other I text nearly every day and have known for about two years."

"That said, its difficult to do. I have always been someone that kept things in a dating or bust realm so they were the ones that took the initiative and persisted on the friendship at the start so Im going to say that it tends to be more at the womans discretion than the mans."

"Yes, my husband."

"Lasting friendship I wouldnt say so."

"I do have one girl who I still talk to this day, but we arent necessarily close."

"Surprisingly I have, with one male friend I met on Tinder. Right around the time I started chatting to him, he was dating the woman who is now his wife, so he gushed about her and it made it easier to connect on a platonic basis. I now have dinner with both of them from time to time and its a really nice dynamic, but rare to find."

"I also have a long-term female friend I met through a dating app and we had a situationship for a few months, but we were not compatible and are much happier as friends. Overall I think these situations are more the exception than the rule, though. Right now I feel socially saturated and while I deeply value friendships, I have a hard time making room in my schedule for more."

"I met my current best friend on a dating app. We dated for a short period of time, but decided we were better as friends and happily have stayed very good friends for years. We hang out several times a week haha. Also, we are opposite gender, so it is possible! But I will say, its only happened this once. I have made other attempts, but those friendship generally fizzle out after a couple of months."

"Yes surprisingly but only one in 5 years. a lot of how things progress depends on the person and their personality. she was chill."

"It helps if theyre on a different continent."

"I definitely have made some great friends through dating apps. Being queer people factors into it though."

"I thought I had, and we were really good friends for about two years and then he ghosted me. Still bothers me tbh, I just wish I knew if it was something I had done"

"Yes, made 2 such friends was crystal clear on date 2-3 that I cannot see it go further but enjoyed their company and if we could be friends."

"Those two have been in constant touch since then as just good friends sharing humor and daily mundane life takes. We even meet socially with their current partners or do other activities together and its loads of fun. Both of them so far have in no way made it feel weird."

"There were others too I would have liked to be friends with but the vibe became weird and them or I ceased being in touch."

"Its possible. At present I have made 2 great friends and throughly enjoying my expanded social life with them. Had conversations on remaining friends early on and maintained the theme."

"I met someone on pof about 3 years ago. Although we have not physically met we are good friends, and will talk about most stuff, even our dating lives. We talk most days as well."

"I have a very good friend that I made about 8 or 9 years ago. I have told him things that I have never told anyone else-and he confides in me, too."

"Id be the first to admit that its not a normal friendship. He doesnt know my friends or family, and does not live near me. Also, we can tell each other sexual details in a very matter-of-fact way, that Id NEVER tell anyone (particularly not a boyfriend)."

"I treasure the friendship, but I wouldnt want to have another-and I get more everyday emotional support from my more regular type friendships. I wouldnt, for example, moan to him about getting a parking ticket, or if Tesco had substituted black grapes for green. Hed probably ask me what the hell I was wasting his time with? Similarly, I would find it grossly inappropriate if he told me all about his difficulty in finding a birthday present for his niece-or if his kitchen sink is blocked."

"I guess its a private intimacy thats only about either sexual or very big, emotional issues that are totally secret. If either of us were in real trouble, though, we would help the other."

"Sure have. two of my best friends I met years ago on lava life and I am still great friends with them today. Yes I did sleep with them (one it was actually just sleeping). I wouldt change a thing about how I met them."

"I did once!!! This is not a common occurrence. But I met a guy on a website probably 14 years ago? We went on 3 dates and decided there was not a connection but stayed in touch over the years, we would come to each others parties/bbqs and text lots, gave each other dating advice opposite sex advice for years and years. Hes now having a baby with his partner, and still there for me reassuring me that I will find someone too. Its really wholesome and I have so much appreciation for our friendship."

"No. I have tried, but in the end Im just not on apps to make friends, Im happy with the ones I already have."

"Hell yeah! I have made several"

"I thought I had made a great friend after we tried dating. There were compatibility issues and to be honest I truly believe we were both platonic. She however had severe hypochondriac issues and went dark of me when I refused to share my STD test results. They were clean, but the fact that she asked in the first place was absolutely ridiculous to me as we had only made out. She did not care about my health she was trying to see if I infected her in some way, so I guess in the end she never really saw me as a friend."

"I have 2 very good friends I met OLD. One of them ended up being my best friend now. We went on one date, but both of us immediately knew it wouldnt go past friendship. We slept together once on a drunken night, but thats the only time it ever happened. Been besties now going on 5 years. It helps that he came out as gay a couple of years ago."

"My other friend I met OLD, we were in a relationship for several months then it fell apart. I moved states. But we are still good friends."

"There were several others I was friends with for awhile, but they all petered out for one reason or another."

"Apps give out what you put into them in my opinion. Idk if the pandemic just changed my dating behavior or if it was being out of the dating pool for years and the resulting damage from accidentally choosing a psycho. but I have made a few friends off of Tinder. Mar 2020, I matched and since it was early pandemic, we just chatted and gamed together on our ps4s. We discovered neither of us wanted the other after about four months, and have remained friends. Hes met my parents and dog, I have met his dad. Were honest because we do not have any agenda of trying to sleep with the other person."

"I never really used dating apps until after my divorce. I ended up chatting with a few people and most fizzled out pretty quickly. A couple are just on my facebook even thought we might not have ever met IRL."

"One friend I got pretty close to we ended up in bed on the first date. She recognized me because I was regularly going to karaoke at our favorite bar, and brought me flowers, and then some stuff when I had a bad cold and it was feeling really too intense but I rolled with it. But it became clear to both of us that alcohol was behind the sexual desire on my end since wed only hook up if I had been drinking. I liked her and really enjoyed her company but the disparity in income became a source of resent meant my last relationship, and this woman does her best but struggles to keep up with bills. I can deal with that in a friend but not a romantic partner. She has a great personality but after so many of my own past failures, a lack of phsyical attraction while sober, and her financial struggles kept it from moving forward. So we decided to just be friends. She admitted after 3 years of us being friends now that shed still date me, and I will sometimes cuddle or even share a bed without sex. We have made out a few times since. But mostly were just close friends now, which I really appreciate. Even though we both admit to each other were kind of starved so we help each other out with a taste of intimacy now and then. Its just not there for me, and I wish it was",

"Match group is streamlining all of their products.", "Tinder is one of their products", "This is an option on Okcupid", "I believe it means that they are seeking friends", "The question here is: if these are meant dating, then why have option for friends and for fun?"

"Some women select it because that is how they want to start out the relationship", " That way there is no pressure", " At least that is what my female friend told me when she did it", "As a woman who has chosen that selection, it means Im not going to jump into a relationship right away", " Im not seriously looking for Mr", " Forever at the moment, Im happy being single but Im interested in meeting people and dating", " If I happen to meet a great guy and all the sparks are there plus we seem compatible then I would be open to more serious dating and eventually a relationship", " I choose the friends option because I do not want there to be expectations put on me that if we go out for coffee or dinner and meet that we are now dating"

"This theory of mine majorly backfired though", " My last relationship started with me being pretty firm about wanting to only make new friends, and this guy was determined to change that very fast and make me his woman", " It worked", " Unfortunately that should have been the first red flag, he was not respecting my boundaries, but we ended up together on and off for a year and a half",

"Because it was a theory that made no sense", "It is a dating app"

"It means nothing, they are looking for Chat just as every other one."

"I would say it means they are extremely easy to sleep with and they put it on there out of regret",

"I was looking for someone to friendzone, but then I realized that it is a dating site and I should just date.", "Hookups friendzone themselves, in my opinion by doing stuff that will disqualify them on their own.",

"I thought it was a good feature since it is hard to meet people outside of work these days."

"I met a nice female friend this way",

"The guys did not seem to get it", "I had to explain I met them as a friend, and was not looking for more.",

"Women put that on their profile to weed out dudes who get zero dates and proceed to ask:Girls who select Looking For:New Friends on Tinder"

"What exactly are you looking for and why do you select this? Are you looking for platonic friendships or something else? Have you made platonic friendships this way?",

"Ooh, arent you just so clever and sassy",

"It means friends with benefits", "It would be short-term open to long or short-term fun.", "Because when you are older it is harder to make friends but bumble has a feature for that not sure if tinder does.", "The Tinder version I am using has several options to choose from in the category Looking for and one of them is New friends.", "I made a good friend off Bumble when our date was a busy so we decided to just hang instead", "If it is hard to meet people nowadays for trying to meet a potential partner, then it is also going to be hard when trying to meet new friends. They are just trying to use the app a different way, who knows they might meet like minded individuals.", "I do not know but every male friend I have ever made on a dating app tried to sleep with me", "if I could guess maybe they just do not want hookups, but want to find a connection that might actually lead to a relationship later down the line, but do not want to lead anyone on.", "I do not know, people are weird. if I see looking for friends in their bio, I just swipe left and keep moving", "When I spent an extended period in a foreign country recently, this helped me meet some great people. I was not looking for love because my time was temporary, but if there was sexual chemistry I was not going to deny it.", "I moved to a new city and genuinely used all apps for friends only.", "I made it abundantly clear when I initially matched that I was only looking for friends to which a good deal of people unmatched, but in the end I made a handful of good friends.", "I moved to Chicago post Covid and did not know a soul, I needed all the help I could get.", "I am sure that they do get friends via tinder. I would not mind matching with someone to be friends with if I was getting a lot of matches a month but I sadly get none.", "Some men and women prefer establishing a solid friendship before dating. Do not let it confuse you, theyre on a dating app for a reason.", "I met all my drug dealers on Tinder. It is multi-purpose", "I do not trust them so I just avoid them completely.", "Its kinda funny that I have made one friend through the apps though, but it did start with a date and nothing like this.", "Legit I assume they cannot be dumb enough to literally only be looking for friends on OLD apps and assume its their way of saying they are only looking for casual flings.", "Its a red flag though for sure.", "Its a way to set expectations from the start. They are not really looking for friends in most cases.", "She says shes looking for friends so you do not expect more than that, then get upset when it is not more than that.", "If this submission above is not a random thought, please report it.",

"Bumble BFF makes this",

"As a dude, it seemed like all gay dudes that just were not ready to admit they were gay.",

"There really should be an app where you send strangers quality memes, and they can comment and send memes back.",

"So you swipe left/right on memes instead of photos, and it matches you with people who have the same taste in memes and live within beer distance?!",

"Meet up app. Social events and groups based on your interests.",

"This is great in major cities",

"Anywhere else its probably useless unless you happen to be in one of the relatively few smaller towns and cities which have an active group - but the vast majority do not",

"Should be called frinder",

"I am 34 years old, and right now Im living in a recovery facility and making friends for the first time in over 10 years through our shared struggle with alcoholism.",

"Wait til you hit 40.",

"I would love that, it would be so fun to go on friend dates. Im currently not looking for anything romantic, but I miss going on dates.",

"Bumble bff my guy",

"Thanks for the business idea I will now learn software for 4 years until im 18 and make ",

"Gl. Maybe you will make some peoples lives less miserable as an extra.",

"Ascend past the need of human connection or sentimental attachments. Simple. /s",

"Start volunteering. Habitat for Humanity, boys and girls club, environmental cleanup. All are great ways to meet people.",

"Thats only if you want to be friends with people who volunteer",

"This is why golf was invented",

"Anyone seems like a decent conversation partner while drunk and doing the most boring thing possible",

"Theoretically we have it in the UK, but in my experience no one will connect with you.",

"very popular in US too",

"There is bumble BFF I used it to meet female friends",

"I have used Bumble BFF with some success. I have matched with dozens of people but only ever meet up with one person. That person became one of my closest and dearest friends though! So low success rate but when it gets a hit it seems to be a home run.",

"Moved to a new state 4 years ago, in my 40s, the struggle is real. Im trying different FB groups (all some variation of women getting together in local cities). I think Im realizing I may not make any ",

"Try Meetup.com. The groups are really good in some cities/towns",

"Sometimes i regret not keeping in touch with friends then i meet old ones or make new ones and end up in the same place of making excuses to not hang out.",

"That would be Bumble BFF",

"im so glad I saw this post! As a female (and now mom) I have used Peanut was great but it kinda became a crappy app. But I did meet a few people. But I was literally thinking today how I wish there was just a more chill app for just meeting people to make friends. Its probably much harder for guys, too. Glad to see people had some good suggestions!",

"Reddit is here for you",

"Agreed, where you from mate",

"Bumble & FaceBook Dating both have friends as an option.",

"In facebook when you put friends option guys just think you are playing hard to get",

"Anybody in Galway, Ireland?",

"Bumble BFF is such an app but as a woman Beware there are tons of lesbians idk why, men who want female friends lmao, and mentally ill women. So choose carefully.",

"Wait, is it bad to be a man looking for female friends?",

"ive seen alot of apps that have a friend option thing and i find that incredibly annoying,why are you using a DATING app to find freinds? but saddly i do not know any, unless barq counts as one but thats for furries",

"Make it.",

"Agreed. Really hard to make friends when you do not drive and rarely have extra money. Cannot even go have coffee with friends anymore since any money I get ends up going to bills because my grandma doesnt know go to turn off lights",

"The friendship version of Tinder would only help with finding garbage friendships, just like Tinder is strictly for finding garbage relationships. Be honest: is there really a market for that?",

"I found 2 of my really close friends on bumble bff",

"That would be interesting indeed!",

"Meetup.com was a place where people just looking to talk about stuff could meet...up. I hope it still is that",

"Depends on where you live. In a large city it is useful. Im in a medium sized Midwestern city, where it is mostly people looking for their next MLM victims",

"Agreeing with others who say Bumble BFF! I had never used an app before and was worried about it being awkward, but instead I met an awesome gal pal who organized a drawing club and we meet up now. Worth the shot, and theres really nothing to lose.",

"Op.. do it create the app call it Fri ender!!",

"Hahaha, well I think I need to dive into programming now!!",

"How in the world you going to discern between a friend and a snake by swipping left or right. Finding friends takes personal contact, talking, getting to know somebody, time, ect.. Most of my friends, are lifelong friends.",

"I have talked about this so many times.",

"Yeah man when you are out of school out of college and start working say you work at a place they only has four people.... Like how the hell do you meet people",

"I met a few good eggs on the Bumble BFF app.",

"Because we lack a third place- which is due to car dependency",

"How do adults make friends? Its hard, without it sounding creepy.",

"Just a quick notice. Bumble bff wont work for everyone. but it is a good Try for anyone Looking to at least gain Some friends, if you are lucky.",

" its called video games/discord",

"True! I used to have game buddies back in HS. Had to stop for a while tho, that shit is addictive.",

"Yeah, make an app to find people who make you smile. Id call it grin-der.",

"Bro more like finding real friends mine are all so plastic welp fake i guess i really need it any friends to talk to? Text me",

"There is on Bumble I believe. When it asks you what do u prefer, you choose friendship.",

"Seeing how youd figure out Bumble BFF, I will also add Meetups and select the interests you have (hiking, music, dodgeball) and check out the events and meet people there. Good luck!",

"I second bumble bff but as someone else mentioned it is predominantly women and me personally (as a woman) am not going to swipe right on a man when using the friend feature.",

"The Geneva app is really popping off in my city right now, I think its an app to join group chats based around different interests?",

"Also not certain if you are in the music festival or raving scene, but the app Radiate has a feature to swipe on people, lot of ppl on the app chatting and meeting up for various shows, thats how my bff met her current bf!",

"Bumble has a BFF mode, for finding friends. It usually works for me and on the off chance I match with someone interested in a relationship, I establish right away I only want to be friends",

"As others mentioned there are some like bumble BFF. Beware though, its a small market because generally people do not really search for these things so theres a high probability of people on there who specifically search for it. For example gay men/women that get a kick out of converting straight people.",

"Only friends",

"Meetup for local and in-person, Boo for online ( only if you restrict it to female only all the guys are not there for friendship).",

"In my experience/what I hear from others, the folks on BFF were dry as fuck.",

"Goodluck!",

"Bumble BFF worked for me :) I met a couple people & we are still friends 2 and 4 years later. Im going to one of their weddings this summer actually. :)",

"WOW! I never thought of this, but this is a brilliant idea!! It is incredibly difficult to make new friends as an adult that is very busy. But everyone needs BFF energy!",

"Im sincerely jealous of those people who are still close to childhood friends. I do not think I will ever make friends like that again.",

"lets be friends OP.",

"There should also be one thats just for fighting. Like if you just want to fight a guy....or girl? You get a match, meet up somewhere ,and throw hands.",

"Sounds like an American with a lack of a 3rd place. Im right there with you.",

"There should be one for finding D&D players",

"I know some people already mentioned Bumble BFF, but as someone who has used it and found some local friends after moving cities, I highly recommend it. Yes, it requires work, as its basically a dating app without the romantic aspect, but it works!",

"My country has government funded friendship sites for people with mental or social difficulties. My best friend committed suicide almost 2 months ago and this site really helped me. I do not care that some Americans call my country a socialist country ",

"As an American, I wish we were more of a socialist country.",

"Actually that sounds like an amazing invention. Where are you from if you do not mind me asking?",

"Patook. Found a true friend on there, and so far I have managed to avoid any freaks.",

"A good idea but what defines a friendship?",

"I thought I have friends but life showed me - now with 53 - that I have never had at least only one (except from my current wife) ...",

"So what is important for you? And when would you call someone a friend? What has to be that a feeling of friendshipness (?) could come up?",

"Isnt friendship the feeling of intimacy with each other?",

"Absolutely! I miss having lady talks. I had a friend at the uni with whom I was really close. Now that we are living in different cities, she has another friend. Im stuck in a small town with nobody familiar here. I can only chat online, but I miss meeting in real life, having nice conversations, just the ladies company. My bf is also my best friend, but its different to talk to a man, you know? So yeah, I think I just would like to have someone I could lean on, and so I could give this person the same feeling!",

"2033 - A new app is developed called Friender that is designed to help our now completely social media obsessed yet perpetually lonely society develop friendships. It becomes a smash hit, soon far eclipsing any dedicated dating apps due to the sheer amount of people using it.",

"Years later a lonely redditor creates a post suggesting that we should make an app like Friender but dedicated to finding people looking for MORE than just friendships.",

"The cycle continues.",

"Well, dang, Im in need of some new friends, too! If someone needs someone to talk to, you can DM me. Hope everyones doing well, or gets there, soon. ",

"If you are interested, and you are not looking for someone local, theres a subreddit where you can get/find penpals.",

"Theres was one app the legit advertised itself as just that on the App Store (do not remember the name) when I was in highschool and was for people under 18. Of course most people still used it for nudes and hookups and stuff like they use tinder. But I met one of my now best friends on there, at the time he would say he was straight, but since I was out publicly, he felt comfortable enough after a few months to tell me he liked guys. I encouraged him to come out to his family when he was ready, and was there every step of the way. 6 years later he has an apartment in the city with his boyfriend, and a good relationship with his family. We do not talk as often as we used to, but he will always be one of my best friends. After all, I did take care of him when he got syphilis, so theres no going back after that.",

"Also, damn he was good at Super Smash Bros",

"Thats a lot going on! Glad you could experience a friendship like that",

"My 4 closest friends and I met on bumble BFF. Weve been each others support network for 5 years now and speak every day. I have never had friendship this wonderful from anyone I met through ways - give it a try!",

"Start it up!! Love this idea! Or start a local one in your area!! Good luck!",

"That would be so nice, lets start one!",

"I agree. you will occasionally find women on dating apps saying shes just looking for male friends but really thats just a chick looking for a simple or a better option than what she has.",

"Who hurt you?",

"Theres plenty of them... And they work well",

"Yes, brilliant idea for an app",

"Yeah there should be .. would be much more useful than Tinder",

"Bumble",

"It just gets harder after your 30s too. By then you are a bit strange.",

"There already such app. Its called Bumble BFF.",

"OP means like friends, go to the pub, goes to ball games, goes camping, shares hobbies, not a single girlfriend",

"So, tinder?",

"I found my bestfriend on Tinder. At first we were supposed to bone but we never did that and became super close. Now we cant spend a day without calling each other",

"Its called Reddit",

"There is but its crap. I do not remember what its called either. There hopefully are more now.",

"I used Patook",

"Bumble",

"OK Cupid",

"I will be your mate, where do you go to university?",

"Awww thats the thing, Im out of uni already and making friends in adulthood is hella hard! Im open for a chat anytime though",

"yeah its called Meetup",

"Facebook dating has a friends only matching thing.",

"Well based on what all the women on tinder say to me, it is just for friends.",

"Take up a group activity. Hiking groups, biking groups, martial arts, etc.",

"I joined a small yoga studio to find friends about 10 months ago and it totally worked!",

"Meetup.com, great for finding social hobby groups, best way to make friends",

"Bumble",

"I think either bumble or hinge has a bff app.",

"And in your 40s!!",

"was not that what Facebook was supposed to be for?",

"Facebook was originally setup for peoples existing friend networks and finding lost friends to keep in touch with. Not make new friends with strangers...",

"Friendship apps would be like shooting fish in a barrel for con artists. Lonely people are the easiest to manipulate",

"Bumble has a friendship and also a networking option",

"I love that",

"I had this friend who had just moved to the city and she invited me to a party and I was like wow she knows a lot of people shes only been here like two weeks turns out she went on a dating app and invited all these dudes to a party not even to date just to have a party and meet people. Idk if theyre down to show up why not",

"There is an app called Meetup, however its not geared towards meeting one-on-one, its more group-oriented. You can make friends through it though.",

"Actually its how I met most of my current friends. If I only had work and not much else, I would have met hardly any of these people.",

"There is bumble BFF. That helps find friends",

"There is. Bumble has a friend setting. Just like the normal swipe left or right type of thing, but with friends.",

"Friender?",

"You mean bumble?",

"Everyone wants to fuck, they do not want to be friends.",

"Do not make me lose hope",

"Those friend apps are bullshit. Well on the womens side its all trying to sell MLM awful!",

"My wife said thats what she uses Tinder for already",

"I know these things are expensive, but crossfit gyms in your neighborhood seem to be friendly, if not culty. If you have the means and their time slots work, join one.",

"Or a running club. I know these are all fitness oriented, but its a good way to kill two birds with one stone. Little more personable than just a gym or yoga class etc where people tend to keep to themselves.",

"If you are in a small town, i do not know how to help you. People imo want to stay friend free in those places.",

"Facebook has a friends section.",

"Plenty of Fish achieves this suprisingly well.",

"people state exactly what they are looking for in their profile and plenty of people on there are just looking for friends. Its really not as much of a hook up app like tinder.",

"Wait until your 50s and you and your friends have all drifted apart. Thats no party",

"Im right there with you, friend!",

"Just wait until you get into your thirties, its brutal out here",

"Friendr. Someone make it.",

"Friendster",

"Start one .",

"Sell it for $1M.",

"Get a date.",

"I have tried using the friend feature on some apps and just get gay men trying to fuck me.",

"Every girl I have ever matched with has only been looking for friends..... am I doing it wrong?",

"Meetup.com",

"That would be nice.",

"Yubo is an option,",

"Man just go join a club or get a hobby. Not everything needs digitized.",

"Bumble BFF has been taken over by the alphabet ppl a.. ah friend told me",

"Yeah its like that in your late 20s but if it makes you feel any better, in your 30s it gets worse.",

"The concept of tinder was basically finding a partner or date based on looks. Do you really want to find friends based on looks?",

"Of course not! But you also have a bio and interests at your disposal. But about the photos, as I have already swiped a few accounts on Bumble, I really appreciate goofy photos, especially with animals cause that helps me with this famous vibe check so no, photos not as a primary reason but as a nice addition!",

"Bumble",

"FRIENDER",

"There is one. Bumble bff",

"Download the Brorape app. You can find bros to play Xbox with.",

"This. Name. Is. Horrifying.",

"is tinder not for friends? i know its a dating app but my ex told me she used it to find friends. I have never used the app myself.",

"They keep trying to make one and it keeps getting horny",

"I totally agree. Even apps with a friend option like bumble are hard to meet people on.",

"Personally Facebook meetup groups helped me a lot. Im in a girls only horse group so we can feel safe when riding.",

"Most friendships from it would end with one of the people sending a nude because thats how those apps are used",

"Theres no Friender app?",

"Call it Friender",

"Tinder can be anything you want it to be.",

"Im 46 and could use this too.",

"Theres been dozens but they always turn into hookup apps... Every time.",

"Tinder the real hook up is the friends we make along the way",

"Call it Friender",

"Grindr is close /s",

"Kik has a find friends feature. It usually goes like this.",

"This is how a lot of these apps tend to go",

"Dude, go volunteer for any organization you like. Other volunteers would likely be like-minded.",

"I feel the same way",

"Bumble bff for guys is funny, its just gay men casting an even wider net.",

"Yeah its called hobbies",

"I do not want to see my friends dick picks.",

"I recommend Boo. Its more neurodivergent friendly too. I used it when I went to San Francisco and use it where I live and have made many really solid friends!",

"Bumble has a friendship option but it still feels weird and sexual.",

"idk if someone said this BUT there is an app called Hey Vina (I think it is exclusively for women though? im not 100% certain!)",

"Yeah! I was hyped when I found it but seems to be working only on iPhone :(",

"There are quite a few options like that. And if you have a specific interest, there are options like meetup.",

"Uni was supposed to do that, and I did make some friends that I like but then after the first semester the you-know-what happened and messed up my chances",

"You got it wrong....",

"Dating apps are for scammers, pros and nutters, tinder is just full of these.",

"Meetup.com type apps are for dating!",

"Bumble has abff option",

"Facebook dating has a friends option now too.",

"Does not Tinder literally have an option for finding new friends? Idk how much choosing that affects the outcome though.",

"Bumble has BFFs. Used it a bit while travelling, it was OK.",

"Was gonna say Bumble BFF but looks like people already commented that. I have found quite a few friends on bumble BFF",

"Awhile ago I tried BumbleBFF, but ended up getting hit on by gay dudes constantly. Even after saying I am straight, just looking for friendship, they continued to still hit on me.",

"Could try that? Hopefully it has changed since then.",

"Wait till ur 30-40",

"I had used an app to find male friends and it so happened that whoever I matched with turned out to be gay. Exchange of pleasantries and then they ask - what are you looking for. After that I stopped using apps to find friends.",

"Recently tried Meetup, and this woman who organises parties started messaging me on WhatsApp asking for pictures.",

"Friendies ",

"The best way to make friends as an adult is to go to events and classes.",

"For me its ecstatic dance, events and classes at my local yoga studio and a monthly drum circle and bon fire.",

"Whatever you are interested in start going to events based around it. Church used to be what did this for everyone back when everyone was religious. Now we just have to find other things to gather around.",

"I like that idea",

"Isnt that also Tinder? Just meet up and friend zone them immediately.",

"Cant wait for: Amish Friendship App version 3.2 to release.",

"...",

"Why did the Amish girl get chastised? Too Mennonite.",

"Yes. Yes times a million.",

"You are right. And there should be the same for ppl who are looking to have kids assp.",

"I use Patook, theres a whole process to go through when you make an account there, its not super complicated, but it helps them confirm that the people making accounts are actually people and are not there looking for dates.",

"Patook has a strict no flirting rule, and they enforce it very seriously. One time I sent someone a because they shared a picture of their puppy, and I got a little warning message along the lines of excuse me, please remember no flirting.",

"One time I came across a troll profile, that lets say... I wouldnt call it porn exactly, but they definitely were not there to make friends. Reported it and within two days that profile was gone.",

"I actually feel relatively safe there.",

"That sounds great! I cant find this app tho - is it available by another name now, maybe?",

"Go join a group for something you are interested in.",

"Fuck friends?",

"Not a bad idea.",

"SEND ME THE LINK WHEN YOU SET IT UP!!!",

"It would be nice but it wouldnt be too long before the scammers and predators made it unsafe and useless.",

"Meetup?",

"There is an app its called Bumble",

"Looking for someone in the Reno area who wants to get together and play with Legos.",

"I wish there was something like that that was not full of people looking for hook ups pretending they want friendship. My last few attempts at making friends has gone weird.",

"you can litterally use tinder as a friend finding app. you will get people wanting to hook up here and there but as long as your clear in your bio you can find some peeps.",

"Figure out how to properly communicate and interestingly converse with other humans in-person. IN-PERSON. No excuses. This is how its done I promise.",

"I see where you are coming from and again, I agree that face to face interactions are the absolute best. Welp, maybe I will be lucky one day to try it again :)",

"Grindr? Lots of potential friends on there for you",

"Trying to find friends for the sake of finding friends is probably a recipe for disaster.",

"Of course to find a friend with whom I can share my thoughts, spend time, and stuff.",

"Yeah but men will still use it to harass girls pretending to be interested in friendship.. i was once on a language exchange app that had strict rules against trying to use it as a dating app.. and i still got creepy messages daily.. calling it a friendship app isnt gonna make things better.",

"Almost 40 here, and I can say I have made zero friends in the last 20 years. But its hard to make plans when you cant decide if you will be in the mood to even leave your house til the morning of. So I do not make plans 95% of the time. And now I have a 1 year old, so my plans are, her.",

"What is wrong with Facebook?",

"There are some very nice apps out there like Bumble and MeetUp",

"Bumble Bff",

"Your 20s! Hahahaha",

"Cries in 40s.",

"There is one for ladies, Hey Vina",

"I was hopeful for that one when I found it but its only for iPhone :((",

"I know everyone has their issues with TikTok but if it was not for TikTok I have actually meet so many amazing people who also share my interests as well we actually ended up becoming this giant found family and Im grateful for getting to meet them it does happen it might take some time but does it happen",

"Isnt that what bumble is for?",

"What about online chat buddies",

" thats basically all tinder is now, excluding bots and drug dealers",

"Facebook has it in their dating function now. I was surprised why there are boys now in my feed.",

"it may hurt my feelings more if someone told me they did not want to be my friend as opposed to a potential partner",

"Damn... This hits right in the spot. Like now probably someones swiping me left on Bumble. That hurts!",

"do not bother with bumble BFF, I tried it a while back because I work overnight and wanted to make some friends after moving across the country and it was just a bunch of gay dudes trying to fuck.",

"A lot of us younger American grew up not having a lot of unstructured free time. I did not just run around outside for hours when I was a kid. I had lots of structured activities I did that I got signed up for and thats how I made my friends. Its a little daunting at first because all of a sudden you go from having your main places of socializing being things you have to do or things your parents signed you up for to having literally no structure.",

"Find a new hobby thats a group activity or has regular group classes! Join an adult sport league or join a volunteering/community organization that meets regularly! I grew up playing and singing classical music so I have joined in with some community choirs and orchestras and now also volunteer some! Consistency is key! Whatever you chose go frequently and around the same time! 3rd of 4th time you see someone give them a hey you were here last week right? Boom got yourself a potential new friend.",

"Bumble has a friend version. My friends wife uses it",

"Sounds like your trying to get robbed to me. No joking. People are too fake there would need to be a bigger screening process. Hell maybe a office with a lie detected then and only then.",

"This is a damn problem in the modern world. I just want friends. Like genuine people I could talk to about anything and meet up sometimes. Is that what were doomed to now? Faking everywhere? :/",

"bumble bff",

"Friends Without Benefits app. Hmmm. FWOB",

"Damn made me really think about things. Im that person people are always trying to make plans with but Im such a family man I cant find a whole lot of time so Im constantly turning people down. It sucks but then again I have lived this rockstar lifestyle up until I started my career and most people do not know my life. So everything seems to be a bore unless I make it interesting and then I will either scare you away or you become a stalker almost so I just tell people nah Im good. Hang with me you will never be the same again. So I try not to make new friends, cant keep up with the ones I have now. Its all about balance",

"Friends are overrated anyway",

"Agreed",

"Just get a dog, theyre like a person but better",

"I have a cat and I love her with all my heart, but when I try to tell her whats wrong she wants to jump at my face :/ shes fiery.",

"Most on tinder tell me they just wanna be friends, so it kind of already does the job",

"True, late 20s is kinda time when we find it difficult to find genuine friends",

"I could probably make that app with a few Redditors.",

"Hey Vina is good for women looking for friends",

"Its only for iPhones tho, right? ",

"I joined a few Whatsapp groups for hobbies, weekend activities and meetups and its changed my view of social apps. Cant tell you how awesome it is, you just have to try it.",

"Some apps have that option for friends only. However, if you arent attractive enough, you cant make friends either, it seems.",

"Get a hobby. Find a local to you organised meet up of that hobby.",

"Work part-time in the evening down the local pub.",

"The older I get the more I love solitude. Its weird. When I was young I sought many friends and acquaintances, but these days, I find people shallow and annoying.",

"The best and easiest way to make new friends is go and learn new things and join clubs, tennis, soccer, book clubs, photography, etc",

"Bumble has this and also a work version",

"I thought about this too and tried Bumble BFF when I moved to a new city but there was not anyone on the app I saw myself being friends with. More of a me problem though I guess.",

"Not if you actually go to places, sports events, hobbies, whatever, I make crapton of friends. Put the apps down.",

"Shocked this hasnt been invented",

"No! Electronic devices already replace waiters (at least in McDonalds), support services, etcetera.",

"Because of this, people tend to choose more the bubble they live in surrounding them with the people they choose.",

"The cherry to this pie would be an app in which we are not forced to talk anymore to people we do not immediately have connection with!",

"I think people should choose their friends, but should keep on working on connecting with everybody.",

"Or for parents with young kids - should have couples profiles and play dates",

"I found out theres an option like that on Bumble! You set up your profile for looking for friends and then you can specify it to kid playdates",

"Im still making new friends and I want to help people who struggle with it. This is not a criticism but - before the internet, people made friends in the real world. We had get-togethers - I went out 6 nights a week and had bbqs + day trips during the day. Making friends requires time, effort and knowing how to talk to strangers to find similarities and differences. I rocked up to a pub gathering last Fri night and met 8 people - hung out - had a few dances (DJ was spinning) then connected on social media to catch up again. Making new friends doesnt just happen - you have to make it happen. I booked a Xmas in July roast lunch next weekend at a cool pub - then invited 5 people and organised a birthday cake for a girl whose birthday is in January. Why? COS ITS FUN! Im surprised more people do not make the effort and learn how. It aint rocket surgery. Maybe I can do a Reddit AMA on it.",

"OrangePillApp!",

"Bumble (well-known dating app) has a friends zone too :)",

"I tried chat roulette but it was mostly guys with their dicks out",

"Omg I was using it back in the middle school with my friend. Dicks every other time. Only once we met some Romanian guys whom we played the guitar with! That was cool. Id be afraid to try chat roulette now, though.",

"27F Australia. Hi!!",

"OMG my earliest DREAM is to go to Australia! Hi there!",

"Its called facebook",

"People still use tinder to find friends",

"Bumble has a friend finder app",

"You can use Tinder for finding a friend. Just indicate this in your bio. Its possible. I know a girl who made friends such way and girls were agreed to meet with her only because of friendship purposes",

"Imagine the sadness not only does no one want to date me, no one wants to be my friend either!",

"You can even make a stranger your friend but people nowadays just cant talk with others.",

"Bumble has an option to find a partner or find friends.",

"Tinder was that app actually. And any another app for finding friends will end up like tinder or worse. I guess its just natural.",

"The Japanese use Tinder exactly for the purpose of finding friends. Not, for hookups",

"Some of those sites have that option. I actually took a guy out from POF to tour DC and he was on the friend part of the site. We had fun but it was not a date it was just a hey I just moved to the area and would like to make friends. It was fun being a tour guide for the day. Unfortunately the last time I checked they got rid of the option.",

"Every app is for finding friends if used for that but we users make it something else.",

"I use tinder as a friendship app. You will need to match with girls that dig you romantically but never make a move on them. This is when Im traveling of course.",

"Step one. Get a hobby.",

"Step two. Do said hobby.",

"Step three. Talk to others and participate mutually in said hobby.",

"do not need an app. As long as you have a below average face, you are automatically get replies of Im just interested to be friends from your matches.",

"OMG, thats so bad and so good.",

"Tinder can be used for finding friendships. Just ask my ex girlfriend",

"Luckily, my main interest is butt stuff so Tinder works okay for me.",

"Facebook dating also has a friend feature, like Bumble.",

"Friendr",

"Damn, you are in Poland. I wouldve invited you around to play Mario Kart",

"Australian again?! Man, thats a sign for me to finally move there!!",

"Im pretty sure thats how social media used to work. Now its for making enemies.",

"Meetup.com ?",

"Wait till you are in mid 30s. Its like an apocalypse of friends here.",

"Join local groups on Facebook specific to your interests.",

"I wish there was something for introverted gamers/anime watchers.",

"Stop reading my mind seriously",

"Same struggles",

"Friendster",

"Problem is people would use it to Hit on people; some people even treat Facebook as a dating app.",

"Im creating an app like that. Mostly for people to meet each other in groups of 3-5 offline.",

"ARE YOU FOR REAL?? Man please, let me know when its ready!! Or even for a demo version Id be glad to test it!",

"Bumble has a friend option",

"Man, id settle for an app that would help people set up an online co-op video game night.",

"Sign me in! That would be a smash!!",

"just put looking for friends in your bio.",

"I thought fb was for making friends",

"Red Hot Pie",

"Hookup app? Are you for real man?",

"I agree, but my local does me fine. Met loads of cool people there.",

"Bumble has an option for this",

"interpals",

"Iv tried the apps like people suggest but it seems like bs. Like people are pretending to want to be friends but its still all hookups and drugs. I just wanna make friends and maybe they will pose for some of my bad portrait photography.",

"So yesterday I set up a Bumble account, today Boo. It seems pretty genuine (at least for now). What really irritates me are those payments if you want to see who liked your profile. , cmon, does everything have to be monetised :/",

"Tinder is just a hook up app. You only want fair weather friends?",

"I used to think like that, but I have several friends who met descent partners there and are now planning to make their relationship more official, through civil union for exemple.",

"There should also be a dating app like Tinder that doesnt ruthlessly monetarily exploit mens desire for connection.",

"Bumble BFF",

"If u need friends buy a motorcycle",

"Thats a new one! Can you elaborate?",

"I just read u are a woman and if u can ride, go to a track day and people will literally be up to say hello",

"Definitely tinder did it before for friend groups and met some real weirdos",

"discord.",

"I agree it is hard and should be something but I feel people would ruin that to. Gumtree used to have a friend finding section but that was ruined. I will put there out. If anyone wants to talk, go out for food, cinema, seaside just get in touch. I offer but rarely anyone ever ask. Because its weird. People ask whats the catch or whats the game.",

"Its hard to be open and honest without seeming sus, this is why I believe there isnt an app.",

"Pull yourself up by the friendship bootstraps and go start knocking on doors",

"There already is. Its called Venn, connects users with new friends, and social activities Its a Norwegian app, by far the largest friend making app here. As far as I can see, it is starting to grow in the US and UK too. Im happy with it so far.",

"Somebody should create OnlyFriends.",

"I second that",

"There are. However Bumble BFF from my experience has become Grindr.",

"They do, its call go do stuff. Works for regular dating too, but the good part about finding friends is you do not have to wonder if they already have a friend",

"Lmao, any dating app is good for finding just friends.",

"I feel this. I only got really one person I hang with now, a few I still talk to but are in different areas and we do not meet up much anymore. I feel like so many feel this way but flat out asking random folks just seems like a weird approach. Why? is one that is pretty popular in Norway, i see more people in other countries as well. We have a group there that is going for friday beers this week.",

"If you are in Norway or live close to Scandinavian countries, try ",

"Purp",

"Friender?",

"Me and some friends had one of those night club smoking area licking our ears and brain storming sessions years ago and come up with this, we were going to call it Tinker",

"Wait until your mid 30s",

"Would like if they were more of those apps. Bumble BFF is great, but having options would be nice.",

"Try We3. Its strictly for finding friends and matches you in a group of 3 people to make it less awkward and more geared to forming friendships.",

"I kinda love and hate this idea. Love, cause I see it can really help with awkwardness, hate cause I have been in a few 3-people friendships and it was always ending in disaster... But worth a try!",

"This was what people were told when social media was introduced to the public. Its funny it has turned away from meeting new people and focuses on silly memes and culture now.",

"Just get a party mansion and put out some flyers shaped like a bicep (so the other dudes know you are tough/like to workout) to advertise. I would just make sure to explicitly state nothing sexual.",

"its called go outside and sit and talk to people instead of arguing whose right or wrong",

"No.",

"This is dystopian in the extreme swipe left unless friend has six inch cock and makes six figures.No. No no no no",

"What. Who even thinks like that",

"If you ask my cheating ex, then thats exactly what those apps are for.",

"Hinge is that.",

"My ex wife claimed to use tinder for that.",

"Im almost 40. I do not meet friends anywhere. I kind of like keeping my circle small. I like the friends I have. But it would be cool to have girl friends. I have zero girl friends. But females as friends suck. Why is this? Why arent women friends with women? I have never had a good girl friend. Theyre all fake and two faced.",

"Its called leave your house.",

"They are. But not so common between adults. I used Yubo for a while but lately more and more teens have started to use it and its boring.",

"There once was such a fun social media app named Quiz up where people can test their knowledge on a variety of topics , share topic based quality memes / content and make friends! I made a lot of friends those who are interested in as same topics as me and I loved bantering with them in commenting sections. They deleted that app for some reason in 2018 ( I guess) and I still miss that.",

"Edit : that app was officially deleted 2020.",

"Omg, that sounds like so much fun! What a pity they deleted it",

"Thanks for this post and this thread OP! You are right, making and maintening friends after college and once the real life start is hard. How did your match went on Boo? Did you meet in person?",

"My pleasure! I really did not expect that my post would become so lively, ha! So now in comparison (although its been only one day.) Boo is much more alive than Bumble. I have already got like 4 matches. The conversations are a bit stiff, but I think its normal for the beginning. Overall, Im happy I tried!",

"I am from Poland too. Does this bumble bff thing work here as well?",

"It does actually! You just give the access to your location. However, I think Id recommend Boo. Its almost like Reddit. You create your profile, theres a very advanced personality quiz, and you have communities like here!",

"Try meetup.com great way to find friends with common interests. They literally have groups for hiking, biking, dancing, book clubs, etc.",

"My sisters fiance says this is why he still uses Tinder.",

"Its called going outside Jesus, people.",

"20 years of technology erased 100s of culture and community/communication",

"Yes. But I bet my partner would not like me browsing people for ",

"I told my bf straightaway yesterday that I set up an account on Bumble. Today he even created one on Boo to go through a personality quiz. Looking for friends can be a new topic for you and your partner - thats what it partially became for us. Communication is the key",

"Wife and I (35+ male) just had this discussion. We grew up watching shows with characters with a large friend group that always talked, texted, and hung out. Would do anything for each other. I do not know a single person this is true for, especially at my age. So I have become depressed at finding friends, bc old friends, who I thought were good, just do not fit that anymore.",

"Were we sold this idea that is unattainable? Similar to body images?",

"All those dating apps have bff modes. Also theres this app called meetup that posts public meetups for specific niche events its a dope way to meet people. Also just going to gatherings/events associated with your hobbies like cons will naturally for friendships.",

"I would be on board but I would be mad careful as if I were buying stuff on E-Bay",

"Few more years of working and you will be sick of people anyhow.",

"Wait for your mid thirties and you will understand what difficult truly means",

"There is. Its called Bumble. The settings can allow you to find only friends and not any sort of romantic/sexual relationships.",

"That is so amazing for you. Also, whoever invited that is genius",

"I agree, especially for girls wanting to make girl mates",

"To be fair, though, anyone in an actual romantic relationship probably isnt going to be downloading dating apps to find friends, and even if they were, would their partner believe them?",

"There needs to be one that is completely focused on friendships rather than dating, for the taken people.",

"So should we tell them that there are tons of apps for this specific reason?",

"Im laughing because its easier to find friends in your twenties.",

"Try being closer to your 50s. It would be even worse if you moved a lot. Most of my friends live out of state.",

"Tinder does not even work for hook ups, though.",

"not like Tinder, please.",

"Discord",

"Use social media",

"Oh lawd. If women only knew what bumble bff was for men.",

"Hehe. But Im afraid that people will abuse such an app.",

"Its a bit scary for me though. Someone could read my description and all the clues I have put in my profile on the app and start acting like the friend I need.",

"They could be psychos. Or bad people.",

"Its better to make good friends ",

"Im an introvert and recently, I had to re evaluate my friendships. You might need to, too!"

"On my profile it states that I have a girlfriend (I do not) and are only looking for friends, it has worked wonders for getting one night stands.",

"Hasnt Tinder just become a parody of itself at this point? Like who cares if someone is on there just looking for friends u2014 its the most populated app for meeting people near you.",

"Current Votes:.",

"Most of them definitely arent only looking for friends otherwise I think I would have been able to make plenty of them into hiking and backpacking friends and plan a fun trip (based on mutual interests in our pictures and profiles) instead of getting completely ignored because I dont have exactly the face, eye color, skin color, beard, etc. that they were looking for.",

"If its all a plot to not seem desperate, its an extremely counter-intuitive one.",

"I am just bored.",

"Just here checking things out",

"Made this on a dare!",

"Nobody is buying that, Lauras.",

"Because dating doesnt have to imply that you are looking for primitive sex or marriage. Just move on from these profiles.",

"Its also a bit laughable that you claim Reddit is a place to meet friends, when most of these social media pages is a complete cesspool of violent and aggressive animals lol.",

"Just swipe left and move on dude.",

"Lmfao are you that desperate and annoyed that you have to report profiles? Seriously?.",

"Looool Im guessing you look for friends on tinder then?.",

"Ok sooooooo, I thought everyone knew that if someone tells you they just want to be friends, its a polite no. If they want you, theyll let you know, regardless of whatever a status is. They are NOT on tinder to find friends. Period.",

"There are also apps designed to meet people with common interests.",

"Exactly!.",

"out of personal interest, which ones? Id give them a go.",

"How do you make friends on Reddit? Who live near you? Maybe on like your city subreddit.",

"Yeah, but my city sub is too dead and small, I had to leap up to a city nearbys sub.",

"We call those attention whores where Im from.",

"Tinder is",

"I totally agree that the useless looking for friendsprofiles take up significant space in the queue although it takes seconds to swipe left.",

"Popular.",

"Popular.",

"You really think girls on tinder look for dates? They look for:.",

"Chads to fuck.",

"Beta orbiters to friend-zone them and maintain their self-esteem.",

"Beta bucks, which means men who are soooo desperate that theyll pay for women.",

"When they say they are looking for friendst, they are basically saying that if you are not Chad, they will friend-zone you.",

"Most down voted comment is the most accurate.",

"Funny, my best friend met his partner of two years on there. Maybe you are just a bitter loser without any real understanding of human relationships.",

"Dont fall for that shit lmao.",

"females do that to filter dudes, nothing more nothing less.",

"but yeah, get a 6 pack dude naked picture on your profil and see how the only here for friendsturns into so when are you coming to my place hottie",

"I have seen these profiles. I have never had any luck with these girls but I totally took just friends as friends with benefits. I have used tinder for a year, my mind is gonna blown if this is truly just to be regular friends.",

"I have a tinder for fun, but even if I were looking for something serious, I would give absolutely no fucks about the ones looking for friends.",

"If you arent looking for the same thing, regardless of what the underlying reason is, then swipe left and move on.",

"Problem solved.",

"Im sure theres people of any gender whos done this lol."

"If a another guy is buying you dinner, there is no way in their eyes they are doing it to be just friends. No matter how much you state it they will be saying in their mind sure. No way your boyfriend can not be jealous at this.",

"You sound nuts. You are being obtuse as fuck. Listen to the thread: tinder is not typically a place to make friends, its not normal to do so.",

"If your bf was smart, hed break up with you. You sound like you are insane and almost trying your hardest to not admit you are looking for some strange on Tinder. Tinder is a dating app, thats the bottom line and people are looking to fuck. Even if they say theyre looking for friends there are most likely some kind of predator who is lying to try to harm you in some way. Seriously you can even use Bumble for friends (theres a setting for that), but you chose Tinder. If I was your bf Id leave you.",

"So your post history says that you have realized you are polyamorous, and that youve talked to your bf about the idea of poly?",

"Thats why he doesnt believe you.",

"...Also it may have something to do with Tinder being a dating site.",

"This guy does his fucking research.",

"Get off my app...",

"I think he may feel uncomfortable, because although your intentions are for friendship, most people use tinder for different reasons. There are many other social networking sites that you can use for friendship, and honestly tinder probably isnt the best one.",

"I know if my boyfriend used tinder to make friends I really wouldnt be happy about it. So I can see where your boyfriend is coming from. Put yourself in his shoes.",

"You know, there are actually apps aimed at making friends.",

"Tinder is not one of them.",

"Your BFs jealousy is justified. And you seem delusional and/or emotionally oblivious if you think you are in the right.",

"Cheating slut confirmed. Makes me absolutely disgusted.",

"I had the same problem, I used Ashley Madison just to make friends and my SO was very jealous of the fact I was on there. even though it clearly stated in my profile I was just there to make friends. I wouldnt consider our meet ups dates either it was just me meeting up with a stranger who mightve been on the site for different reasons but I was there to make friends. So what if other people were hooking up or dating, I was there for friends. Not everyone on a dating app is looking to date or hookup some of us just wanna use the most inconvenient app to find friends. Even on NSA finder it clearly stated I wanted to be friends and my SO was still getting mad at me for having an account. Just doesnt make sense, I have expressed that I identify as poly too but shes not and even though I am, Im not gonna see other people even though thats what Id ultimately like to do. I made it clear that I wasnt gonna live my life how Id like to because my SO isnt comfortable with it.",

"how do I convince him Tinder is an option for making friends?",

"Probably the same way youll convince the Pope to wear an explosive vest and bomb an airport in the name of Islam.",

"You have every right to make friends.",

"You have every right to use tinder to do it, even though the apps reputation precedes it.",

"However, you cannot demand that your boyfriend be comfortable with it. You cannot demand your boyfriend stay with you if you continue making friends on tinder. You cannot expect your relationship to continue, especially when hes voiced his concerns.",

"Do you really think hes going to be okay with you using a notorious hook-up app (for WHATEVER purpose) after youve had discussions about polyamory and how hes not comfortable with it? Is that your expectation? Do you think its realistic?",

"IMO, you are just looking for justification. Either for yourself, saying that hes being irrational and clingy, or so you can throw it in his face when you (inevitably) have fights about it. Check yourself. None of this will turn out well.",

"You should break up with him. You are not fully committed to the relationship by doing things that he us not comfortable with. Most if not all of these guys you are going on dates with are going to try and sleep with you, even if they say they are not",

"Your boyfriend sounds like an idiot for staying with you.",

"Use bumble in BFF mode instead of tinder",

"Oh also you have mentioned before you want to be poly in other posts and hes not cool with it. You obviously want to fuck someone else, just admit it. Break up with your bf and go fuck people, not judging you not saying to insult you, Im literally just saying go fuck people cause thats what you want to do.",

"giving him another gf would def make him chill",

"though, theres nothing wrong with admitting looking for another guy or let the dude go.",

"Tinder is NOT for making friends. Its an app specifically designed for meeting people to have sex with. If you are using it to make friends, you are doing it very wrong. Kind of like going on Pornhub to watch Pewdiepie videos.",

"This bitch be crazy",

"it is the cheating troll! Cant believe it took this long to post on.",

"You use Tinder to make friends like I use porntube to learn how to fix a sink."