

Why Kirsten Dunst Appreciates Chivalry

The best way to make headlines is to swim upstream against conventional wisdom. Increasingly, however, going against conventional wisdom seems to mean a return to traditional ideas.

Such is the case with actress Kirsten Dunst. According to a recent interview in [Net-A-Porter](#) fashion magazine, Dunst isn't necessarily on board with the "find-a-feminist-boyfriend" trend. Instead, Ms. Dunst appreciates the male who treats her like a lady and exhibits gentlemanly characteristics:

"I appreciate old-fashioned manners," explains Dunst. "I want a guy to pay for dinner and open the door for me. I love the masculine; I've dated men who had more of a feminine side and it didn't work."

Today's culture continually encourages women to shun gentlemanly courtesies and pursue men who shy away from traditional masculine qualities. But as Ms. Dunst seems to recognize, perhaps such a scenario isn't as rosy as it sounds.

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