

Lauren and Oliver's

Journey To Parenthood



Couple Finds Hatch Egg Donation And Surrogacy So Much Better Than The Rest

Meet Lauren and Oliver, a young, vibrant couple with a beautiful baby boy. However, their journey to having a family was not without its twists and turns.

First, they had to adjust to the fact that they were unable to conceive on their own. They then had to overcome the disappointment of two failed rounds in vitro fertilization. It was at that point that their doctor suggested choosing an egg donor agency in the area.

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It was hard to even go there mentally and emotionally at first, said Lauren. You go through your whole lifetime thinking your child will be part of you, and then realize that you need the eggs of another. It's a big adjustment.

“What made it worse was that the egg donor agencies we looked at seemed so commercial. The websites seemed so cold and uninviting. There'd be so many donors on a page, it was like shopping online. I didn't find an agency I liked and just felt so bummed.”



"I didn't want it to feel like a transaction," said Oliver. "Like we were hiring somebody to have eggs. That was doing it for the money. That's the impression I got from these sites."

It was then at this lowest point that a nurse mentioned an agency she heard good things about—Hatch's program in the Los Angeles area.

Hatch: A Better Experience

"I wasn't prepared emotionally to have a donor," explained Oliver. "But their site was so different, so much more engaging. I said, 'Lauren, this could actually be really good. I think they have a lot to offer.'"

"We called and were asked to submit a photo," added Lauren. "I was like, 'Oh, okay, so they want to get a feel for who we are.'" In our phone interview, they asked us these questions on the spot like, 'Use five words to describe Oliver's personality' and 'Oliver, what are your favorite things about Lauren?'

"The fact that they asked those questions and took the time to get to know us showed that they cared about us as people, as potential parents."

Hatch was the first egg donor agency in America. With a screening process that's one of, if not the most thorough in the country, the agency's donors are among the top five percent in the nation. In its 30+ years of operation, Hatch has been a part



of bringing over 3,300 healthy, happy babies into new families the world over.

“We definitely wanted to be as intentional and thoughtful with everything that we did,” said Oliver. “We wanted an agency that was emotionally invested in us. And we found that with Hatch. Their personalities, their warmth. They guided us through the entire process. They really drove home the fact that we were committed, and we knew we were in the right place.”

Finding The Ideal Donor

“Checking out their site,” continued Lauren, “I knew this was what I was looking for. Looking at the photos of the donor candidates and learning about them was much more comforting. To be straight out honest, I could see the difference in quality if you will. Before I’d even zeroed in on anyone, I already felt better just scrolling through the donor profiles.

“The agency was so responsive. Being the woman going through this, having them just get back to me so quickly on email to my questions. Plus, they’re all so friendly. They make you feel like family instead of just another customer or client.

“When we locked down our donor, I remember emailing Alex, our coordinator, and it was just like I feel when I’m texting my sister. She was just as excited as I was. It was so cool!

“I felt taken care of 150%. Everything was fantastic.”



About Hatch

Choosing the people to participate on an assisted reproduction journey is the most important decision intended parents make. Which is why so many intended parents, donors, and surrogates walk with Hatch.

Established in 1991, we were the first egg donation agency in America, and are one of the first surrogacy programs. Our combined experience is second to none. In our 30+ years, more than 8,000 women have experienced the joys of egg donation or surrogacy, helping to create families and make dreams come true all over the world.

Our egg donor and surrogate candidates among the top five percent in the country. We work to find the ideal match between donor or surrogate candidates and intended parents and our success rate is among the best in the nation. Simply put, we make it possible for you to make another's family possible. Everything we do is to ensure you have a most rewarding experience.

To find out more about surrogacy at Hatch, visit www.hatch.us

