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Summary

ilyarozanovofficial ✓ on Instagram

[a slideshow post of Ilya and Shane's time in the Bahamas, complete with scenic sunset pictures, coconuts by the beach, and a shot of Shane from the back showing only his forearm and his hand linked with Ilya's, leading him forward]

getaway

1.4m likes, 3,683 comments

COMMENTS:

S_Hollander24

You look very nice in that swimsuit

4 likes

ilyarozanovofficial

@S_Hollander24 sorry, i have a boyfriend

2,384 likes

The only thing the media knows about famous model Ilya Rozanov's secret boyfriend is that he exists. Shane is happy to keep their relationship private, until he isn't.

Notes

i adore these freaks so much i haven't had a normal thought in weeks

See the end of the work for [more notes](#)

ilyarozanovofficial ✓ on Instagram

[a picture of Ilya lying horizontally on a white surface, his face propped up on one hand as he stares directly into the camera, unsmiling and naked at the torso]

Thank you @gq

2.3m likes, 11,593 comments

COMMENTS:

S_Hollander24

Heyyyyy

0 likes

svetlanaxoxo

heyyyyy 💕💕

16,301 likes

zzhonglism

im such a fat fucking chud

1 like

lazerdazer



1,492 likes

mam.384

@lazerdazer pregnant man emoji?

49 likes

xiaobaobei

@mam.384 i mean ilya does swing that way so it's not entirely out of the question

572 likes

great.king

@xiaobaobei He likes men?!?! 😬

12 likes

xiaobaobei

@great.king yes! he has a boyfriend but nobody knows who it is!

581 likes

lilkagz

@xiaobaobei isn't the issue with the emoji that you can't impregnate a man or nah, or at least

a cis one

75 likes

gaymilky

@lilkagz ilya can test this theory with me. or in me, either one is fine

7,194 likes

r/Celebs

u/curiouscatastrophe | 1 day ago

Celebrity secret relationships

Is anybody else curious how such high-profile individuals get to have personal lives and relationships with nobody snitching or paparazzi sniping them? Obviously, there are a lot of celebrities who are upfront about who they date but don't show off their relationship in front of the fans, but what about those whose partners we don't know at all? Isn't it hard to hide from the public? I'm just so curious lol because I couldn't manage to hide my boyfriend's existence from my ex of five years ago, and I obviously don't even talk to the guy. How do they manage it?

↑ 1.3k ↓

COMMENTS:

u/sp.arklz | 1 day ago

They don't lol

↑ 49 ↓

u/ruinhunter | 1 day ago

I mean, if you think about it statistically, there's gotta be a significant proportion of celebs who are in gay relationships and can't let the media know for obvious reasons. And we don't know about those relationships, which have to exist, but it must not be easy. I assume that it just entails not being able to go out or having to put on disguises for a nice night out. A lot of them probably also have the funds to fly to a country where they're less likely to be recognized, too

↑ 584 ↓

u/rozzieboy | 23 hr. ago

ilya rozanov has a secret boyfriend doesn't he? there's a whole other corner of the internet dedicated to finding out his identity or talking about their relationship, which seems pretty sweet based solely off the few crumbs ilya gives. but yeah, he's an example of a celeb who

manages to keep his relationship private

↑ 453 ↓

↴

u/luna_car34 | 23 hr. ago

ILYA ROZANOV HAS A BF??

↑ 3 ↓

↴

u/shibaal | 23 hr. ago

ILYA ROZANOV HAS A BF WHO ISN'T ME??

↑ 6 ↓

claire ! @ilayrzanov

ilya rozanov announcing to his 11.3 million instagram followers that he took his bf on an extravagant vacation in the bahamas complete with a private cabana on the beach side on his story without announcing who his bf is... he will always be iconic

3.1k likes, 93 retweets, 22 replies

REPLIES:

ilya side hoe @inspre

Replying to @ilayrzanov

this diva

687 likes, 14 retweets, 2 replies

ilya's left toe @rozanovz

Replying to @ilayrzanov

where the hell were the ilya rozanov bf sign ups bc i think i missed them...

1.2k likes, 203 retweets, 14 replies

sophia IA @leklerq

Replying to @ilayrzanov

Oh to be soft launched on Ilya's Instagram story in the Bahamas

693 likes, 76 retweets, 5 replies

Ilya Rozanov Updates @ilyaupdates

[repost of Ilya's latest Instagram post]

Ilya Rozanov modeling for GQ.

104.3k likes, 31.7k retweets, 2.7k replies

REPLIES:

ken @gn4rly

Replying to @ilyaupdates

i need this man expeditiously

4.2k likes, 695 retweets, 31 replies

corvus @corexxus

Replying to @ilyaupdates

SOMEBODY PUT A SHIRT ON THIS WHORE!! I THOUGHT GQ WAS FOR MEN'S FASHION, NOT FOR MEN'S NUDITY

8.3k likes, 2.6k retweets, 59 replies

snoopy :) @esnupi

Replying to @ilyaupdates

his bf is so lucky. does he know that...

3.4k likes, 48 retweets, 21 replies

lucy @chiikawarrior

Replying to @ilyaupdates

oops omg idk how these photos ended up in my camera roll oh jeez why are they favorited??

957 likes, 42 retweets, 9 replies

will @wasianwill

does anybody know if ilya has a close friends story and if so how do i Get On That

482 likes, 19 retweets, 5 replies

REPLIES:

alhaitham rerun pls @eepysleepies

Replying to @wasianwill

he probably does have one but it's just his bf on it or smth

349 likes, 21 retweets, 4 replies

“Don’t you think that posting as if we’re still in the Bahamas if we’re back in Canada is dishonest?” Shane asks, squinting at the bright picture on his screen of Ilya’s Instagram story with its bleach-white sand and turquoise waves and their entwined hands just in frame. He frowns. “Do you ever worry about, like, integrity?”

Ilya looks at him as if he’s being absurd, his lips parted and his eyebrows furrowed. “Is an Instagram story, Shane. Nobody is real on Instagram. That is the whole point of it. And maybe if I had posted that we were in the Bahamas when we were, some crazy person would have stalked us down.”

“And you don’t think crazy people aren’t currently dissecting the picture you posted to see if my hand matches with anybody else you’ve been seen in public with for the past ten years?” Shane puts his phone down. He’s not really one for Instagram anyway, as Ilya said. That’s all Ilya’s job as a model. And it pays for the vacations and the private cabanas, so it’s not as if Shane can really complain, can he?

“They can amuse themselves with that if they are,” Ilya says. “They will not find anything.” He props himself back on his hands against the mattress, where he’s currently sprawled out on their bed in their house in Montreal. He studies Shane propped up against the headboard and two pillows with his blue eyes, gaze wandering all over the length of his body.

Shane flushes, instinctively bringing his knees to his chest under the spark of his stare. He’d been reading a book until he’d remembered to check Ilya’s social media accounts, just because he likes to support him even in the form of one like, and so has his glasses on that Ilya likes so much. When he begins to pull them off, though, Ilya lurches over to stop him, his hand encircling his wrist and his face suddenly so close that Shane can feel his breath mist over his jaw.

“Keep those on,” he murmurs, nodding to the glasses. The other hand not on his arm comes to rest on Shane’s other side, trapping him in between Ilya’s large torso. There’s that mole on his cheek that Shane loves so much, the little bit of stubble left over from their flight back to Canada when Ilya had elected not to shave to save time. His gaze flicks to Shane’s phone face-down on the bed beside them. “I posted another story just for you, so you need to look at it closely. Aren’t you going to check?”

Shane holds out for two seconds before grumbling and patting the bed for his phone, feeling slow and awkward with Ilya so close to him. He’ll never get used to it, maybe. How it feels to be loved by him.

There’s a green circle around Ilya’s account, and when Shane clicks it, it takes him to a second story he hadn’t viewed, which takes a few seconds to load. When it does, he yelps, almost dropping his phone—Ilya’s post is a selfie of him in the bathroom, in makeup and attire that Shane recognizes to be from the GQ shoot. Meaning he’s topless. And gripping himself inside of his pants, though Shane can’t tell for sure because the photo cuts off right above his crotch, but not high enough that he doesn’t know what’s going on.

“You posted that where everybody can see?!” Shane nearly shouts, sliding the phone a few feet away from him on the bed. “What were you thinking—”

Ilya cups one hand over Shane’s mouth, looking bored. “No, Shane, is only for you. Is called a ‘close friends’ story, yes? Only you are on it. Do you not think we are close friends?”

Shane glares at him. He can’t speak when Ilya is practically smothering him, so he doesn’t even try.

“That’s what I thought,” Ilya croons, slowly dragging his other hand down Shane’s chest. “Do you want to know what I was thinking of when I took that picture? What I was thinking of doing to you?”

Shane does want to know. Lucky for him, Ilya is ready to tell him.

ilyarozanovofficial ✓ on Instagram

[a selection of photos from a model’s runway, with Ilya modeling for an Italian designer, including a short video of him walking slowly with his hands in his pockets, his cheekbones sharply accentuated in the shadow]

@dolcegabanna makes me look better than normal, no?

1.7m likes, 10,481 comments

COMMENTS:

roselandry
always gorgeous babe
18.4k likes

ilyacentral
@dolcegabanna release a collection with ilya’s face on it please?
9.2k likes

super.valence
Face card never declines
689 likes

bringingglory
i literally wish i could be fucking normal about this man but nooo all of a sudden i’m logging onto duolingo every day for my russian lessons
5.5k likes

S_Hollander24

Maybe better with the clothes off?

1 like

gracie @winterisms

every day i thank god i'm not actually dating a celebrity because imagine the wild jealousy of watching millions of rabid fans drool over your partner

10.5k likes, 2.3k retweets, 100 replies

REPLIES:

gracie @winterisms

Replying to @winterisms

that's not to say i would decline living out my fanfiction dreams hahaha @aespa_official what's good

7.3k likes, 1.1k retweets, 32 replies

★ @rxzxnsv

Replying to @winterisms

not to make everything about my hyperfixations but this is genuinely what i think about ilya rozanov and the boyfriend he's keeping a secret from everyone, like how does he deal without even having a physical stake on him? omfg

3.1k likes, 472 retweets, 49 replies

alpine @davetree394

Replying to @winterisms and @rxzxnsv

Honestly, if I were that man, I would just count myself lucky to be dating a model like Ilya Rozanov lol

593 likes, 2 retweets, 4 replies

!!!! @yoiyoms

Replying to @winterisms, @rxzxnsv and @davetree394

imagine ilya's bf is just as stunning as him though. i can't see someone like him settling

495 likes, 2 retweets, 9 replies

★ @rxzxnsv

Replying to @winterisms, @rxzxnsv and @davetree394

the concept of ilya dating somebody just as gorgeous as him... the world wouldn't survive

648 likes, 49 retweets, 4 replies

RIP 2023 @beababoobz

has anybody ever wondered whether ilya's "bf" is actually a girl like a reverse beard lol
84 likes, 1 retweet, 8 replies

REPLIES:

sunrise. @anharion

Replying to @beababoobz

he's really close friends with that one model svetlana right? honestly some interesting speculation

8 likes, 1 reply

bring me to the boy aquarium @sctothunter

Replying to @beababoobz and @anharion

they've both stated before that they're just friends

10 likes, 1 reply

sunrise. @anharion

Replying to @beababoobz and @anharion

yeah, but celebrities will say anything to get people off their backs. even if ilya says he's dating a guy now, we know that he's supposedly a ladies man and got around quite a bit, so it doesn't eliminate the possibility

4 likes

shannon @landerz63

ilya rozanov spotted at a party in montreal chatting closely with rose landry?? where's that bf of his???

21.5k likes, 3.1k retweets, 391 replies

REPLIES:

shannon @landerz63

Replying to @landerz63

ugh nvm sources just said that another guy who was with ilya has his arm around her shoulders, so they just must be friends

14.6k likes, 1.4k retweets, 29 replies

elle @spitzlizard

Replying to @landerz63

Me when I spread misinformation on the internet

20.9k likes, 1k retweets, 13 replies

rae!!!! @clicklink

Replying to @landerz63

wait, r u implying that ilya would cheat on his partner?? or that he doesn't have a bf after all cuz he's w a girl?? that's lowk rly weird

1.4k likes, 102 retweets, 49 replies

Madison @MadEye

[a screenshot of Ilya's Bahamas story]

I'm still not over this, he treats his boyfriend so well  what a lucky man! Ilya Rozanov must be a true romantic even despite his reputation!

11.2k likes, 3.1k retweets, 54 replies

REPLIES:

sheep @cinn2mon

Replying to @MadEye

does anybody else remember when ilya would get visibly uncomfortable when asked abt his bf, and now he feels comfortable enough to post them holding hands together? it's actually the sweetest thing ever 🥺 i hope one day that he will be able to share his bf with us if that's what he wants

8.5k likes, 1.9k retweets, 23 replies

jellyoustep @y4ngy4ng

Replying to @MadEye

oh he is getting daring ilya is hungry to show the world his mans... on that note has anybody color matched the bf's skin tone to ilya's acquaintances yet lol?

6 likes

Sharon @akasharon

Replying to @MadEye

It's a shame that a handsome guy like Ilya Rozanov would waste his genes on a man. What ever happened to carrying on the bloodline?

2 likes, 301 retweets, 49 replies

ilya come here i won't hurt you @fmchudlife

Replying to @MadEye and @akasharon

why is everybody forgetting the possibility of mpreg, hell if i was ilya rozanov's bf i'd let

him get me pregnant too

1.1k likes, 301 retweets, 12 replies

S_Hollander24 on Instagram

[slideshow post with pictures from the Bahamas, a selfie with Rose Landry of the two of them smiling cheerfully, and a shot of Ilya sleeping in their bed with his mouth agape]

Am I doing this Instagram thing right?

5 likes

COMMENTS:

ilyarozanov

no

1 like

S_Hollander24

@ilyarozanov :(Really?

0 likes

ilyarozanov

@S_Hollander24 eh, is ok

1 like

roselandry

i love us!!!

1 like

S_Hollander24

@roselandry :D

1 like

ilyarozanov

@roselandry ?

0 likes

hayhaypike

I'm not a fan of the guy on the last slide

1 like

S_Hollander24

@hayhaypike He's pretty okay. How are the kids?

0 likes

hayhaypike

@S_Hollander24 these are not dms, please call me

0 likes

In the past, Shane was pretty averse to showing up in public with Ilya, but they've since learned that they can usually get by as long as Ilya wears a ridiculously oversized pair of sunglasses and a beanie. Even if he is recognized, people usually don't look twice at Shane. Ilya likes to say that it's because Shane is actually his assistant. Once, somebody thought he was an employee at the 7-Eleven they were at, which was confusing because he wasn't even wearing anything reminiscent of the workers' outfit.

At least it means they can do mundane things like grocery shopping together. Shane had assumed that Ilya would prefer to get his groceries delivered, but Ilya surprisingly gets a kick out of wandering the aisles, slowly pushing his cart and peering at every label like a grandmother.

Shane walks beside the cart, his hands shoved in his pockets. He sneaks a glance to the side. The awful fluorescent lighting doesn't even make Ilya look washed out, which is unfair. He looks as beautiful as ever. Shane probably looks ghastly himself, and Ilya is too kind to point it out.

"What do you think, Ilya?" Shane says, dragging a finger between the line of cans before him, their aluminum tops glistening in the artificial light. "Should we get canned tuna caught from the Pacific Ocean or the Indian Ocean?"

"It does not matter. It is all water. Did you know that there are rumors going around that I am dating Rose Landry?" Ilya says. He actually barks a laugh out at that. "Because of that party we went to two nights ago. Somebody there blabbed. Famous people are good for nothing."

Shane looks up at him, placing both cans of tuna in the cart because he couldn't decide. "I mean, you tell them that you have a boyfriend, right?" he says awkwardly. "It's a pretty well-known fact about you. There can't be that many people who believe it." A thought strikes him. "Oh god, nobody mentioned me, right? There were no pictures taken?"

Ilya snorts. "They only mentioned another guy who seemed especially close to Rose Landry. Should I be jealous? I think I should be. Shane, are you dating Rose Landry?"

"Ilya, I'm gay," Shane hisses, his eyes darting around as he shoves one elbow into a laughing Ilya's stomach. "And I'm dating *you*, so I don't see the point in the question."

An ambivalent shrug. "Had to make sure. The media is so convinced, you see. I swear, I tell them how much I love you, that I would and have turned over the world for you, and still they do not believe. Hmph."

Shane whips his head, frantically scanning their surroundings for any phone cameras or eavesdropping people, but there's only an elderly lady at the far end of the aisle and a worker doing inventory in the produce section. "You can't say those things out here," he says, glaring up at Ilya. It is so like him to say such things in a grocery store. "You don't know who's listening."

"You are," Ilya says simply, dropping the cart to cup Shane's face in his hands, which he gives a long, considering look before he drops a kiss on his nose. "And that is all that matters, yes?"

This fucking guy. "I guess," he says, trying with all his effort not to blush. It's so much more obvious on his face because of the freckles. "I love you too."

"I hope so." Ilya drops his face, giving him one more soft pat on the cheek before turning back to the cart. "I have that shoot in Los Angeles next weekend. You want to come?"

"Will anybody think anything of it if I do?" Shane asks, caught off guard.

Ilya shrugs, mouth curving down. "I do not think so. And if they do, who cares? I can just tell them you are my assistant. You assist me with my erections."

"Ilya," Shane says reprimandingly.

Ilya glances back at him, his gaze soft. "So what if they ask? I find myself caring less. I do not care so much about what they think of how I love you than I care about how it makes you feel. So, you will come to Los Angeles?"

Shane stares up at his boyfriend, and then he shakes his head in disbelief. Despite himself, though, and despite all the logical arguments that stack up against Ilya's much shakier premises, the thought grows warm and comfortable in his chest. Maybe they do deserve to take more risks. "I'll come if you start responding to me on Instagram instead of just ignoring me."

Ilya considers it. "It was so I would not bring attention to you. But, fine. It is a deal."

ilyarozanovofficial ✓ on Instagram

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maaadison

WHO IS THE BF THE PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW
8,483 likes

ken_nifer

If you're ever interested in a third, I volunteer for tribute
4,234 likes

ilayzluv

u know i really enjoy it when gq makes him topless but it's somehow even better when ilya does it voluntarily
1,213 likes

she.wolf.49

ABS 😂
583 likes

rysa @rysarium

ilya is so dedicated to his boyfriend it's really so sweet. i so wonder how they met bc from what i gather they've been together for a long time, at least five years

319 likes, 4 retweets, 3 replies

REPLIES:

sprout 🌱 @bringingglory19

Replying to @rysarium

he began telling the media that he was taken in 2014 or something like that, and then he started posting in 2016!!

85 likes, 1 reply

strawbz @chobani4lifer

Replying to @rysarium

right like this has been going on for so long that there are people dedicated to supporting their relationship even though we don't know who bf is 😏
22 likes, 1 reply

emi @emiliano16
Replying to @rysarium and @chobani4lifer
just admirable, honestly
8 likes

luma @luminvies

the sneaks of ilya and his boyfriend aren't enough anymore to get a high i need more of the yaoi cocaine

3.8k likes, 294 retweets, 21 replies

REPLIES:

Steve @Steve039
Replying to @luminvies
What is wrong with you people?
8 likes, 108 retweets, 20 replies

chud @zzhonglism
Replying to @luminvies and @Steve039
shut the hell up bruh
103 likes, 4 retweets, 2 replies

ink @moonsteps
Replying to @luminvies and @Steve039
some people will never understand what it means for such a public celeb to be openly gay and show off his partner in front of the world, and it's individuals like you who make it difficult for ilya to be able to tell us even the name of his bf. i'd be ashamed if i were you
2.1k likes, 367 retweets, 10 replies

akiangel-er @chrollover
Replying to @luminvies
i'm literally abnormal about them i have the picture of them holding hands favorited in my camera roll 😏 they're so cuteeeeeee
84 likes

liz @red.velvet

[a short video clip of Ilya being featured on a street interview; he is asked, “What is stopping you from sharing your boyfriend with your following if you make your love so public?” to which he responds with, “I want to make it clear that I am not ashamed of my lover. If he is watching this, I hope he knows this—well, he does, I tell him that. Is not so simple with the rest of the world. Is hard to like men as a man, no? I do not want to see him suffer as I have suffered.”]

The way that Ilya talks about his boyfriend is honestly the sweetest 😊 I wish with everything that one day they will be able to live their lives as everybody else does, but the world will need to take some steps forward to get to that point :(

11.8k likes, 4.3k retweets, 84 replies

REPLIES:

i'm super shy @ripnwjnz

Replying to @red.velvet

I WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR 😭😭 THAT I AM NOT 😭😭 ASHAMED OF MY LOVER 😭😭

7.6k likes, 1.3k retweets, 8 replies

❤️ @sapphicisms

Replying to @red.velvet

it honestly makes me so sad to see him afraid to be able to even live like other people just because of the gender of his partner. why is this not a privilege we can afford to everybody?

4.4k likes, 1.1k retweets, 10 replies

i quit loving with difficulty @_semicircles

Replying to @red.velvet

it is SO clear just from this twenty second video how deeply ilya loves his man, i wish he didn't have to protect him :(

488 likes, 31 retweets, 7 replies

jjk s3 2026 @prsonified

Replying to @red.velvet

ilya if ur reading this then know that we all love u and ur bf and should u ever hard launch him, u have a horde of followers loud enough to drown out the haters!!

7.8k likes, 4.3k retweets, 43 replies

leon @leopard.land

[an old picture of Ilya at a pride celebration, the colors of the bisexual flag on one cheek and a lipstick kiss on the other]

may we never forget what this bisexual icon did for the lgbtq community and what he continues to do with his selfless love 💕

59.4k likes, 10.8k retweets, 90 replies

hutaotism on Instagram

[a thirty second video edit of Ilya to “Les” by Childish Gambino, featuring photos of his mostly shirtless modeling shoots]

if you ever catch me editing a man look twice because ilya rozanov deserves a double take

14.9k likes, 75 comments

COMMENTS:

skirkitup
daddy's home
85 likes

wetburritoblanket
SO WE ALL COLLECTIVELY NEVER GOT OVER HIS HERMES PHOTOSHOOT
157 likes

shimmie.204
i irreparably fucked up my algorithm by watching this fifty times and i dont regret it
231 likes

S_Hollander24
This is very nice
3 likes

“You’re sure that nobody is going to think it’s weird that some guy is coming with you to a shoot for Louis Vuitton?” Shane asks Ilya in the back of their car, where they’re being driven to the east side of Los Angeles. He’s uncomfortable, shifting against the sleek leather seats

and wondering whether the screen between the driver and the passengers is actually soundproof or not.

Ilya shoots him a look. He looks good, even plain as he is—all the makeup and ruffling comes before the shoot, he'd said, so he'd only done his skincare before they'd left. "You are not some guy, Shane. You are my lover."

"I thought I told you to stop calling me that," Shane says, looking to the side and knocking his knee against the seat in a sort of embarrassed gesture. "It sounds so intense."

Ilya regards him for a long moment; he can feel it even when he's not looking at him. "Is it not?" Hauling one arm over, he fits one hand behind Shane's neck and squeezes him at the base of his scalp. "If you are so worried, I can tell them you are my assistant. Will you hold my coffee?"

"I don't want you to say that, either," Shane says, irritated. "That's... it makes it sound like I'm nothing to you."

There's a beat of silence, and when Shane leans his head against the window, he sees Ilya staring at him in the reflection in the glass, unmoving. He sees him bring his other hand up as if to cup his face and then let it drop.

"Shane," says Ilya.

Shane turns to the side, donning a tired smile. "It's nothing serious, or your fault."

"I know that, but Shane," Ilya says. Shane never knows where to look when Ilya is looking at him like that, his blue eyes so sharp and yet gentle where they graze against Shane's skin. "I would tell all of the photographers in there. I would tell the entire fucking world. You are everything to me. I don't care about them. I would if you told me to. Do you want me to?"

Caught, Shane gives a small shake of his head. It's a conversation they've rehashed many times over the years, and yet as willing as Ilya is to go ahead and uncover the secret shrouding their relationship, it's always Shane who is the most hesitant. Something in Ilya's eyes dims.

Shane doesn't know how he would handle it if everybody knew who he was dating—he still has friends who ask when he's going to get a wife and kids, and they have no idea. What's more, he worries that it'll ruin Ilya's career if he comes out with it entirely. With Ilya's boyfriend remaining faceless and nameless, it's easy for some people to turn their eyes away from his sexuality, but Shane being there wholly leaves them completely exposed in a way that people can't ignore.

Shane wants to tell people, too. He wants to marry Ilya and see the pictures posted on his Instagram. But he's scared.

Less scared than he once was five years ago, but still scared.

"It's a lot," Shane says.

“I know,” says Ilya. That’s all he says, and it makes Shane wonder if he’s the only one between them who kind of wants to keep it a secret.

They pull up to the outside of the shooting location before he can pursue the thought any further. “You can tell them I’m your special friend if they ask,” Shane says.

That gets a hint of a smirk out of Ilya, which soothes something inside of him. “Special friend? That is basically like telling them we fuck. It would be less subtle if we got out of the car with our pants unbuttoned and our hair messy.”

“I hope that didn’t give you any ideas.”

“Ah, a brief one, but we can do that on the way back.”

They’ve exited the car by now and are standing just outside the building, which has an inconspicuous white-bricked exterior and an all black door set just above a short set of stairs. Shane and Ilya stare at each other, just smiling at each other.

“They won’t say anything,” Ilya says gently. “They’re not allowed to.”

“I know, uh, I—” Shane shakes his head a little to clear his head, looking down at his feet. “You can tell them.”

“That you are my special friend?”

“That I’m your boyfriend.” Shane looks him squarely in the eye, feeling a little more confident in his decision when he sees the way Ilya’s mouth parts in surprise. “You’re right, they can’t tell anybody. And we can’t keep it a secret forever, right? Not absolutely. So, we might as well let some people know, if they’re locked behind NDA’s, ‘cause fuck, I want people to know too, you know? How much we love each other.”

The last part comes out in a whisper. Ilya stands motionless for a second long enough for Shane to already mentally backtrack, but he suddenly reaches out and tugs Shane into him, their bodies crashing into each other at a magnitude that isn’t severe enough to encapsulate their feelings for each other but is still enough to make Shane shiver. Contrary to the swift motion, the kiss that Ilya places on his forehead is anything but forceful, instead so soft that Shane closes his eyes involuntarily and sucks a breath in between his teeth.

“Okay, I will,” Ilya says. They part, and he gives him a roguish grin. “Make sure to pay attention to me looking sexy, yes?”

Shane rolls his eyes. “Whatever you want.”

[results of Ilya's photoshoot with Louis Vuitton, the cover slide being a picture of him looking to the side in a half-unbuttoned white shirt, one hand grazing the heart of his throat, and the last slide is a behind-the-scenes photo of the lights, cameras, and the back of Shane's head in the corner]

city of angels with @louisvuitton and my love

2.7m likes, 23,928 comments

COMMENTS:

pistachioats

mr. ilya sir please i choked on my dinner

14,482 likes

mrs.spam30

LA is the best! So happy to have you in my city!

582 likes

louisvuitton

always an honor.

11,328 likes

poutchis

i'm geeking out over his hands bro

858 likes

dzailuvr

i want to talk to you on character.ai but i'm anti ai so instead i'll think about you at night like a real yearner

15.482 likes

svetlanaxoxo



32,585 likes

annabelle_lee

OH MY GODDD HIS BF THERE TO SUPPORT HIM IM CRYINF REAL TEARS

7,208

ilyaaaaaaro

"my love" oh he is just the sweetest

4,209

soju.bottles

If my boyfriend was ilya rozanov and i was watching him model for lv behind the scenes i

think i'd be drooling all over myself

7,884 likes

S_Hollander24

Very nice!

4 likes

ilyarozanovofficial

@S_Hollander24 you paid attention, yes?

38 likes

cas ! @castlicorice

is it time to talk about that one random instagram account with 14 followers who comments on ilya rozanov's posts and somehow keeps getting a reply

1.4k likes, 293 retweets, 30 replies

REPLIES:

guy @ph4inon

Replying to @castlicorice

wait, which account? i think i'm missing something

21 likes, 1 reply

cas ! @castlicorice

Replying to @castlicorice and @ph4inon

oh what the hell i can't find it now why does his post have 23k comments

8 likes

lis @pochacc0s

Replying to @castlicorice

HUHHHH

4 likes, 1 reply

cas ! @castlicorice

Replying to @castlicorice and @pochacc0s

NOOO LIS I CANT FIND IT NOW

1 like

sammie @acthesize

has anybody been supporting ilya rozanov since he was doing clown gigs and now he's being cast for lv, gq, ck, dg...

3.8k likes, 472 retweets, 14 replies

REPLIES:

billit @eyelit

Replying to @acthesize

clown gigs? 😭

482 likes, 2 retweets, 4 replies

sammie @acthesize

Replying to @acthesize and @eyelit

YES it's a little hard to find now but he definitely did them 😭 honestly he worked so hard to get where he is now

427 likes, 3 replies

connor @storriebooks

Replying to @acthesize

does he do birthday parties

1.5k likes, 382 retweets, 9 replies

eems @f4irywings

Replying to @acthesize

his modeling agency was doing something crazy when they scouted a clown but i'm glad they did

784 likes, 21 retweets, 5 replies

fuck my chud life @staywild

Replying to @acthesize

things are looking up for me (resident clown) maybe i'm just undiscovered

1.2k likes, 396 retweets, 4 replies

i'm at the cottage @firstprince

the concept of successful model ilya rozanov carting his bf around with him to his shoots...

oooh they're both living the good life

7.1k likes, 1.9k retweets, 32 replies

REPLIES:

SAVE ME @sn0wb4z

Replying to @firstprince

that means the people working the lv shoot in la now know who ilya's bf is, no?

4.4k likes, 1.3k retweets, 59 replies

i'm at the cottage @firstprince

Replying to @firstprince and @sn0wb4z

WAIT

193 likes, 5 replies

team bella @robattering

Replying to @firstprince and @sn0wb4z

holy SHIT honestly if i was there i'd be freaking the fuck out they must all be under strict contracts CUZ...

829 likes, 4 retweets, 8 replies

curl up and die @mattiez

Replying to @firstprince

wait but this is sooo cute this is the first we've heard of ilya taking his bf somewhere semi-public right

1k likes, 48 retweets, 3 replies

r/Celebs

u/humanbones | 14 hr. ago

Ilya Rozanov secret relationship

I don't know if I'm the only one who thinks this, but wouldn't it do more for the queer community if Ilya Rozanov was more upfront about his relationship. Idk. I understand the need for privacy, but it kind of creates the impression that people need to hide their partners in order to be happy.

↑ 44 ↓

COMMENTS:

u/mighty29 | 13 hr. ago

I don't know, that's a hard one. Celebrities are people too even if they're high profile, and Ilya doesn't owe us anything. It is also a hard position to be in, doesn't the guy have over ten

million Instagram followers? It must have already been difficult enough to come out as bi given his background and the unpredictability of the media these days lol. Maybe he really does genuinely enjoy his privacy

↑ 68 ↓

u/willison_ | 13 hr. ago

i know that i'd love for ilya to post about his bf without having to hide his identity, but i do think it's a personal choice and we shouldn't pressure anybody into coming out! i think ilya has stated in the past that he would like to show him off, but there are other circumstances that prevent it :(we don't know everything since we're only observing them

↑ 100 ↓

u/Sam394 | 12 hr. ago

Seriously, how did a homosexual land a modeling contract? When did the brands become woke?

↑ -95 ↓

u/stellaron | 11 hr. ago

Another user in this thread is showing us why people like Ilya feel the need to hide... Of course it would be wonderful if they were both able to make public appearances, but it's so much easier said than done since we aren't in their shoes. They should take things as they like!

↑ 49 ↓

S_Hollander24 on Instagram

[a selfie of Shane and Ilya on the plane, a picture of Ilya on the set for Louis Vuitton, a follow-up picture of Shane with his hand over his mouth, a blurry shot of the Hollywood sign]

LA adventures!

4 likes

COMMENTS:

ilyarozanovofficial

that guy is pretty handsome.

1 like

S_Hollander24

@ilyarozanovofficial I know right? You look pretty good, too.

0 likes

ilyarozanovofficial
@S_Hollander24 😊
0 likes

y.hollander
You two are so cute! ❤️
2 likes

S_Hollander24
@y.hollander Thanks, Mom!
1 like

ilyarozanovofficial
@y.hollander hope you are doing well :)
1 like

hayhaypike
Come home, my kids are asking where Uncle Shane is
1 like

S_Hollander24
@hayhaypike No way! I'm honored
0 likes

hayhaypike
@S_Hollander24 I'm dying for a date night with Jackie bro please
1 like

The story behind Shane and Ilya falling in love isn't the most conventional one. Well, it never could have been, considering Ilya's occupation as a celebrity model.

Shane, on the other hand, was probably as normal as normal could get. Or boring, as Ilya liked to call it. He lived a relatively typical life growing up in Ottawa, played recreational hockey all throughout high school, and then went to university to study sports medicine. At the end of it, he came out with a degree in nutrition and became a dietitian for athletes. He liked his work, and he was good at it. Occasionally, he worked with clients other than athletes, like actors who had to bulk up or slim down for films, but that was about it.

On one normal Tuesday evening, he got a call from a modeling agency asking if he would be interested in working with one of their models. His name is Ilya Rozanov, they said. He will be in Montreal for the next few months, and we would like to hire you until then.

Sure, he said. Why not? It was a change of pace from his usual work, and he's heard of the guy, so it would be neat to say that he had him as a client some years in the future if it

happened to come up in conversation. Plus, he's already pretty good-looking, so it's not as if Shane will have to work very hard.

Ilya Rozanov was nothing like Shane expected. A bit of an asshole, honestly. A lot of an asshole. He was just so damn good at his job—meaning, he was fucking hot—and that excused a lot of his behavior. And for some reason, he took a liking to Shane, or at least a strange sort of interest, even though he did not listen to his nutrition advice in the slightest. Shane had once tried to get him to stop eating entire packs of Oreos in one go while watching television, and Ilya had only stared at him, asking him what he would get if he listened to Shane. When he hadn't been able to provide an answer other than *better health?* Ilya had only scoffed and dismissed him with a wave. What else could he possibly want?

It only took five evenings of Ilya requesting that Shane personally come to his penthouse to cook a dietitian-approved dinner for him to realize that company and a home-cooked meal weren't all he wanted. It only took Shane three of those five evenings to discover that maybe he liked men a little more than he liked women, and the remaining two to notice that Ilya wasn't the straightest, either. By the sixth time, Ilya abandoned dinner altogether, forgoing food to straddle Shane against the kitchen counter and kiss him until his head spun. And then he fucked him, and Shane knew that neither of them was particularly interested in friendship.

It only spiraled from there. At least once a week, Ilya would request his work as a "private chef," which wasn't even accurate since Shane was only there to suggest a damn meal plan, and then Ilya wouldn't even follow it to begin with. Shane told his friends that he was working with a particularly difficult client.

It was true. Ilya *was* difficult. If Shane tried to get anywhere near the stove, he would sneak one hand up his shirt and the other down his pants before taking him to his bedroom, after which he would get on the phone and order in pizza as if he hadn't just fucked his dietician. Seriously. The nerve of this guy!

By the end of the four months for which Shane was hired, he and Ilya had met so many times that it was strange to see him leave for Boston, where he was based. They kept texting. Ilya sent him relentless photos of his greasy takeout to tease him. One week, Shane had to head into Boston for a conference, and he and Ilya fucked every night that his schedule would allow. Ilya had a few projects in Montreal over the next couple of years, which he always denied having chosen because Shane was there.

Eventually, Ilya bought a penthouse in Montreal, which he insisted was a business maneuver because "that part of Canada did not have enough fun, rich, hot guys," and he had "plenty of contracts to choose from," and then he invited Shane over again. Eventually, Shane came to hate the two hour drive from Ottawa to Montreal. Eventually, it occurred to Shane that he never had to leave after he realized Ilya bought two sets of towels and set up Shane's toothbrush just beside his own in the bathroom, that he could navigate Ilya's kitchen in his sleep, that he had forgotten enough clothes in Ilya's penthouse that Shane had started his own little section in the walk-in closet. Eventually, Ilya asked him point-blank not to leave.

So Shane didn't. They've been living together ever since. Soon after he moved in, Ilya began telling the press that he was in a committed relationship. A few months after that, he came

out as bisexual, which both garnered negative attention and shot his popularity up thrice as high as it had been.

Neither of them meant for it to become a secret. As a model, Ilya wasn't getting the kind of media attention that an actor or artist might have, but from time to time, pictures of him running errands in the city would surface, and rumors of him dating so-and-so would float their way into their consciousness before dissipating quietly. It wasn't private, what they had. Ilya was very comfortable showing his life to the public and had been for years.

Sometimes, Shane wished he was the same.

ilyarozanovofficial ✓ on Instagram

[a photo dump with a selection of selfies with Ilya staring darkly into the camera, a shot of the Montreal city skyline, an artfully arranged shot of two iced lattes and a book against a monochrome coffee table, and a blurry picture of Ilya kissing a man on the cheek, covering all identifiable facial features]

merry montreal

1.8m likes, 14,589 comments

COMMENTS:

linser.plate
Could skate down those cheekbones
1,393 likes

y.hollander
Looks like so much fun!
10 likes

ilyarozanovofficial
@y.hollander ♥♥
46 likes

chen_xiaoshi
he's such a lover boyyyyyy
3,293 likes

vitamin.dee
i feel such a kind tenderness toward him i'd like to gently feed him pieces of cheese
2,394 likes

zzhonglism
@vitamin.dee ?
1,381 likes

vitamin.dee
@zzhonglism ??
2,593 likes

svetlanaxoxo
come visit boston baby
2,596 likes

S_Hollander24
Coffee for two?
64 likes

ilyarozanovofficial
@S_Hollander24 forever and ever.
109 likes

florian. @rozanovism

alright guys, it's time that you know the truth. i'm just going to come out and say it. i'm dating ilya rozanov

14.3k likes, 3.9k retweets, 32 replies

REPLIES:

florian. @rozanovism
Replying to @rozanovism
is what i wish i could say
10.7k likes, 492 retweets, 5 replies

love dive @elevenoklock
Replying to @rozanovism
brb photoshopping myself into all of his pics to leave a digital trail
8.7k likes, 293 retweets, 4 replies

really sleepy writing this rn @melatonininin
Replying to @rozanovism
he has bewitched me body and soul. we may as well already be dating
11.9k likes, 4.2k retweets, 10 replies

lola @spear.head

Can we get more content of Ilya Rozanov winking please? For the table to share

8.8k likes, 1k retweets, 6 replies

big red truck @m4rshm4llow

[picture of Ilya Rozanov emblazoned onto a pink American flag]

40.2k likes, 8.1k retweets, 81 replies

REPLIES:

crying yes risk joy @deepend

Replying to @m4rshm4llow

is this what living in boston in your youth will do to you

10.3k likes, 2.9k retweets, 10 replies

peace! @sikenism

Replying to @m4rshm4llow

[the same picture of Ilya Rozanov, this time printed on a pink Canadian flag]

33.4k likes, 7.1k retweets, 9 replies

moon @semilunar

Replying to @m4rshm4llow

i put this up on my ceiling so every night i go to sleep i have sweet dreams 😊

8.7k likes, 582 retweets, 3 replies

🦋 @shutterflies

Replying to @m4rshm4llow and @semilunar

World's most normal ilya rozanov fan:

6k likes, 193 retweets, 1 reply

rawr @gobears

Replying to @m4rshm4llow

somebody said they sleep with this on their ceiling bro what

10k likes, 321 retweets, 8 replies

emma <3 @ems.mems

[reposted picture of one of Ilya's photoshoot of him wearing nothing but a large overcoat, the picture cropped provocatively at the waist]

my man my man my man

11.8k likes, 3.7k retweets, 19 replies

REPLIES:

fobe @phobbles

Replying to @ems.mems

WAIT WHICH SHOOT WAS THIS ONE

48 likes, 1 reply

emma <3 @ems.mems

Replying to @ems.mems and @phobbles

it was with balenciaga back in february!!

94 likes

fujo af @tsh.tbf

Replying to @ems.mems

His boyf is soooo lucky

77 likes, 1 retweet, 4 replies

mark @mark_plath

Replying to @ems.mems and @tsh.tbf

i'm wondering if they need a third

80 likes

chaewon looked at me @cakeholder

ilya rozanov being bisexual gives hope to queers everywhere that one day they too can live out their celebrity au fanfic dreams

8.5k likes, 1.6k retweets, 23 replies

pete @hunterz

imagine the reason that ilya rozanov can't tell the public who is his boyfriend is that he's dating scott hunter

8.5k likes, 582 retweets, 6 replies

Nights are somehow the most peaceful times of the day for the two of them, as long as they're far from the bars and clubs of the city and instead wandering the streets alone in the dim lamplight. The puddles of yellow, flickering fluorescence afford them a different kind of privacy as they side step the round circles of light to escape into the shade, dancing around potholes in a dusky waltz. With one breath, Shane pulls Ilya into the light by the hand just long enough to see the way his face beams underneath the glow, laughter making a fool of the both of them, and then he tugs him into the nearest 7-Eleven, ducking into the artificial white brightness.

There isn't anybody else inside the store besides them and a tired-looking cashier who doesn't look up when the bell rings, a girl who looks to be in high school manning the register. Overhead, the speakers quietly play the Top 30 radio, but the loudest noise in the store is the insistent buzzing of the freezer section.

"I want a beer," Ilya tells Shane, taking him past an aisle of colorful plastic packaged chip bags and a cardboard stand of Snoopy-themed gummy candies. In the corner, a poster of the Montreal Metros peels at the edge.

Shane wrinkles his nose. "A beer? You can't get anything better? How about one of those Korean probiotic yogurt drinks? We just passed a grocery store."

"Beer versus yogurt, Shane." The withering look that Ilya shoots him is highly exaggerated. "Which one sounds more appealing at ten at night, hmm?"

Shane huffs, crossing his arms and leaning against the cold frosted door of the drink section on one foot, narrowing his eyes at Ilya. "You have a shoot this weekend. How about after?"

"I always have a shoot, Shane, I am a busy guy. How about a Coke?"

"Not much better."

"Diet?"

"Aspartame has conflicting study results."

Ilya pops open the refrigerator door, staring at Shane through the slightly fogged glass. "Then I might as well get the beer. You're no longer my dietician, just my lover."

On instinct, Shane glances to the far end of the store, but the cashier doesn't seem to have heard, nor does she seem to have looked up from her phone since before they entered the store. "Don't call me that," he says, a little flustered.

"Why?" The question mists the glass where Ilya's face appears through the sheen, making his expression a little hard to read. "There is nobody else here but someone being paid minimum wage to stand in the corner."

"Not because of that," Shane says. "Because it's gross, Ilya."

Ilya laughs, creating another puff of steam, but when it clears Shane can see that he's smiling broadly at him. He can't help but grin back, softened by the stupidity of talking through a glass door near midnight out in the city, practically alone. It feels like falling in love with him all over again.

"What? Is true. What else would I call you?" Swiftly, Ilya ducks around the edge of the door to plant a kiss on Shane's cheek, his lips a little cold from the freezer. They're letting out all the refrigeration, but Shane doesn't have it in him to reprimand him for it. He doesn't have anything in him at all, not with what he's about to say sitting heavy in his pocket.

"I guess I don't know. Pick your beer, Ilya."

Humming, Ilya gives him a smirking glance before turning away, finally, to peruse the selection of gleaming cans before him, tapping one finger against each before he finally selects one in the far left. When he turns, letting the glass door swing shut, he turns to see Shane on one knee. The can clatters to the ground, tumbling with a stark metallic clang until it hits the wall.

"Fiance," Shane says, barely able to get his voice above a whisper. "You can call me your fiancé. Will you marry me, Ilya?"

"Shane," Ilya says, all in a rush, trembling hands reaching out to grasp onto him. Shane likes that, that his first instinct is to stretch to meet him. "Shane, my god, yes, of course. When did you get that ring?"

Ilya's fingers are still a little wet from the condensation, but Shane doesn't mind it when they leave streaks across his face, Ilya mechanically drawing his hands around his neck as he lurches out of the kneel.

"Here, I need your hand," Shane laughs, gently extricating Ilya's left arm to slide the ring onto his fourth finger. Ilya's face looks carved out of wonder, sculpted down to the angle of reverence. He's looking at the ring, and Shane is looking at Ilya. "I got it a while ago, actually, I just needed a bit of bravery to get it out—"

He's unable to get any more words out when Ilya kisses him, urgent and a little bit desperate, so hard that he has to take a step back so they don't fall over into the snack aisle. Ilya is clutching onto him like there's nothing else in the world to hold onto. Or maybe there is nothing else he'd rather grasp than Shane.

As soon as Ilya parts, Shane's eyes fly open, unwilling to miss even a second of the expression on the other's face. "I will marry you, Shane," Ilya says raggedly, "and we will be husbands. I have never loved anybody as I love you."

"I'm the one who proposed, so that makes me the one to marry you," Shane teases. He's still shaking a little bit. It's only that Ilya can't see it since his hands are around his waist, but maybe he can see it in his face, because his eyes soften when they look at Shane, like they usually do.

"Fine, we will marry each other," Ilya says. He has one hand clutching the back of Shane's head, his thumb moving in small circles against the nape of his neck. He smiles an impossible smile, one that would shatter any camera that attempted to capture it.

"I'm looking forward to it," says Shane quietly.

Suddenly, Ilya tenses, pulling Shane into his chest and looking swiftly to the side. "There is nobody here? Do you think that girl—"

Shane takes a deep breath and looks up at Ilya. "You're willing to tell the world, right?"

Ilya's eyes flash. "Yes. Always. But if you are not ready—"

"I am." Shane reaches over to take the hand with the ring finger on it, admiring the way the sleek silver band sits against his skin. From there, he dances his hands along Ilya's torso all the way back down to his hips, where he firmly holds him against his body. "It's been so many years, and I will have so many years to love you, but we've already wasted enough of them being quiet about our relationship. I don't want my loving you to be the biggest secret of my life anymore. I want everybody to know what a joy it is."

"They will," Ilya says, dropping a kiss along his jawline, and then another on his chin, and then one more firmly on his lips. "Everybody will know. I will be very annoying about it."

"Not too difficult for you, then," Shane says, and then he can't help but laugh when Ilya growls against his lips, kissing him again and again.

ilyarozanovofficial ✓ on Instagram

[one picture of Shane and Ilya's hands with matching engagement rings and a selfie of the two of them flushed with excitement holding up their ring fingers, Shane grinning broadly and Ilya opening his mouth as if to bite him on the cheek]

wedding pictures with @S_Hollander24 coming soon

3.1m likes, 65,342 comments

COMMENTS:

S_Hollander24

Best Instagram collab ever

104,524 likes

ilyarozanovofficial

@S_Hollander24 please do not refer to our engagement as a “collaboration”

100,864 likes

roselandry

i love you both soooooo much

13,929 likes

svetlanaxoxo

lucky guy ;)

11,239 likes

y.hollander

So grateful for the new son in my life!

15,393 likes

hayhaypike

Looking forward to being best man

3,498 likes

ilyarozanovofficial

@hayhaypike your children may be our flower girls if you like

4,219 likes

paddington

ENGAGED?? FIANCES???

492 likes

markitup

HARD LAUNCH ENGAGEMENT PICTURES

380 likes

luminism

u two are just the cutest no i'm not crying i don't know why my face is wet FUCK

852 likes

lil.laugh

he finally told us about his bf 🥺

2,193 likes

ilyarozanovofficial

@lil.laugh *fiance

11,334 likes

lesbreah

THIS IS AN AMAZING DAY FOR THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY

759 likes

dorian_gray

ILYA'S FIANCE IS SO FUCKING BEAUTIFUL?? THIS IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL MAN I'VE EVER SET MY EYES ON???

432 likes

zzhonglism

i'm such a happy fucking chud

0 likes

sparrow_znest

Oh look at Shane's smile I love him already

49 likes

zzhonglism

this is the best day of my life

593 likes

r/Celebs

u/betrayer | 1 hr. ago

Ilya Rozanov announces engagement to Shane Hollander

Well, it happened. Ilya Rozanov has finally come out with his famed secret boyfriend to announce that they're soon to be married! It's been so many years that it's no surprise the reveal comes in the form of an engagement. They look very happy together. Nice to see openly queer celebrities love without fear, and I wish them the best.

↑ 5.3k ↓

REPLIES:

u/cottage_life | 1 hr. ago

i've been crying for thirty minutes i'm so happy for them, so glad to see that everybody is supporting their happiness and their courage

↑ 44 ↓

u/mymoonmyman | 1 hr. ago

Shane Hollander is one handsome guy! They are both very lucky!

↑ 687 ↓

u/redwhiteblue | 1 hr. ago

Wow, I've been following along with Ilya's story since he first came out, and it's surreal to see him be so open about his boyfriend now. Very exciting.

↑ 24 ↓

sparrow @flecities

ILYA ROZANOV IS ENGAGED.

10.8k likes, 2.3k retweets, 42 replies

Pop Crave ✓ @popcrave

[reposted picture of Shane and Ilya's engagement rings]

Ilya Rozanov announces his engagement to long-term partner, Shane Hollander.

200.4k likes, 12.6k retweets, 349 replies

REPLIES:

george wdc @lamplights

Replying to @popcrave

i can't believe a pop crave tweet is how i found out that gay christmas has come in the form of ilya rozanov's engagement

49.2k likes, 4.2k retweets, 10 replies

elio @pokicho

Replying to @popcrave

I know next to nothing about shane hollander and already I want to protect him with my life.

I understand why ilya rozanov did all that

30.1k likes, 3.2k retweets, 4 replies

el @riverkois

I'M SO FREAKING HAPPY I'M BEING SO SERIOUS RN NEW FANS DON'T KNOW HOW CRAZY THIS DAY IS FOR US WHO HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING ILYA FROM THE BEGINNING. I AM SO HAPPY.

2.4k likes, 598 retweets, 40 replies

florian. @rozanovism

alright guys, it's time you know the truth. i'm just going to come out and say it. my name is shane hollander and i'm dating ilya rozanov

39.4k likes, 4.2k retweets, 95 replies

REPLIES:rozanovism

florian. @rozanovism

Replying to @rozanovism

fuck actually i'd be happy to be either of them bc holy mog

4.8k likes, 1.6k retweets, 7 replies

happy fucking chud @hollanov

Replying to @rozanovism

I really love this Shane Hollander guy. I feel such maternal instincts toward him

12.4k likes, 5.2k retweets, 9 replies

go go go ! @shastay_

shane hollander is SUCH a cutie i understand ilya rozanov with my entire heart and soul

7.8k likes, 2.3k retweets, 8 replies

luma @luminvies

i wish i could be normal about this

7 likes, 1 reply

REPLIES:

chud @zzhonglism
Replying to @luminvies
girl ur never normal
0 likes, 1 reply

luma @luminvies
Replying to @luminvies and @zzhonglism
I KNOWWW
1 like

ilya fiance @h0ll4nder

so is ilya's agency going to cast shane too because i'm rubbing my hands together like a movie villain thinking of the two of them eating down a gq photoshoot

24.5k likes, 2.8k retweets, 41 replies

olive ! @sksksouk

IS THIS WHY HE MOVED TO MONTREAL

1.2k likes, 94 retweets, 4 replies

tsh pilled @turnatree

oh he wants that canadian citizenship bad

394 likes, 42 retweets, 4 replies

dark rise book 3? @speeknow

they're literally my gay people on my phone i don't even know what you're talking about.
when i close my eyes i can see them kissing

10.4k likes, 2.5k retweets, 20 replies

sop @comebackmachine

i just saw ilya rozanov post his now-fiance on his instagram to 11 million followers then put
on a laufey album and rocked myself into a coma crying. how is everybody else doing

24.9k likes, 4.5k retweets, 41 replies

 @fuj0shi

ilya rozanov very public engagement has just rebuilt the yaoi towers

31.7k likes, 5.2k retweets, 108 replies

chud @zzhonglism

i would lay down my life for shane snoopy hollander

20 likes

chinese mode: on @nihowdy

where are the idiots now who thought ilya rozanov was dating rose fucking landry lmfao

405 likes, 39 retweets, 4 replies

REPLIES:

vampirism! @_vanoe
Replying to @nihowdy
don't forget that scott hunter was also a victim on ao3
248 likes, 8 retweets, 1 reply

Shane Hollander @landleopard.43

RIP to the beer can he dropped when I went down on one knee

286.3k likes, 18.6k retweets, 495 replies

REPLIES:

sprout 🌱 @bringingglory19
Replying to @landleopard.43
UR ON TWITTER????
2.4k likes, 348 retweets, 5 replies

mack 🍷 @dilfpickles
Replying to @landleopard.43
i love both of u guys i am so happy for u 🥺♥
3k likes, 358 retweets, 3 replies

bellboy @sleepr_code
Replying to @landleopard.43
I see now that I never stood a chance against you for Ilya Rozanov's heart...
583 likes, 42 retweets, 1 reply

paulina @iheartla
Replying to @landleopard.43
story time pleaseeeee
1k likes, 419 retweets, 8 replies

we didn't even kiss @sh0kupan
Replying to @landleopard.43
I'M SO EXCITED FOR THE WEDDING SHOOT TO DROP
2.4k likes, 580 retweets, 13 replies

ilya rozanov @ilyarozanovofficial
Replying to @landleopard.43

a worthy sacrifice

205.1k likes, 19.6k retweets, 85 replies

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[A two-minute long street interview of Ilya Rozanov, which focuses primarily on his face with a small camera in the corner of the screen. The off-screen interviewer says, “Tell me about the person you love most in the world.” Ilya, caught off guard, briefly breaks into a smile before wiping one hand over his jaw, gaze fixed somewhere below the camera as he thinks. The small smile remains.

“He is,” Ilya begins before letting out a short laugh, “boring, to begin with. That is the first thing people must know about him. He is so boring! I mean, he reads these histories of Dior and whatever because of who I shoot with, and he does yoga on the balcony at six in the morning, much too early to do anything, and he makes me these gross juices with, uh, vegetables and whatever. And I tell him, no, this is gross! Is yucky! And he says it is good for me, so I have to. Says it is why my skin is glowing in my Hermes shoot, because he force fed me one kilogram of kale. Is ridiculous! He is ridiculous! I glow because I am beautiful.

“He does not like parties or the club or whatnot. Whatever. I stop going and I stay in with him, and he wants to watch movies about the ocean. The ocean? Where does he get these things? So I take him to the, eh, what do you call the place with the fish—”

“Aquarium.”

“Yes, that. I take him and he is so, so happy because of these tiny fucking fish. And I look at him and I say to him, ‘Why do you care about fish so much when I am right here? I am fucking catch, right?’ And he tells me, ‘I like it so much because I’m here with you.’”

Ilya stops for a moment, looking to the side. The camera remains steady. Around him, a steady stream of people walk past the two standing in the middle of the sidewalk, oblivious to what is being confessed. “I did not know what to say. I still do not, even. I cannot tell you enough to make up for him not being here with me, because even saying this to you makes me miss him. He is so boring and I do not care. He is so boring and I would sit in front of a tank of fucking water with him for the rest of my life if I could not have him otherwise.

“Nothing else matters. Fuck all of them, I say! Because I love him. I have loved him loudly, for many years, even if for many of them I could not tell anyone his name. I am saying it now. I am not sorry. I will not have the world if the world will not have him. I love you, Shane Hollander.”

Ilya stares right into the camera as he speaks the last words, his eyes open and honest, his mouth curving gently around Shane’s name. His face lifts. He looks like a man in love.

The screen fades to black.]

“Because I love him.”

Thank you @ilyarozanovofficial for taking the time to speak with us ❤️🏳️‍🌈

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End Notes

every day i sit down and cry about shane hollander and then i take pictures and videos and voice memos and send them to my friends. peace

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