

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW to People Magazine Peter Andre



As much as I love and adore the children we have together, there no way I'd ever have any more with Kate. We are not together! I don't even feel like I know her any more.

"I loved Katie Price but she left the building a long time ago now"

In an exclusive interview following his split from Jordan, Peter Andre reveals how he's coping with life as a single dad, tells us what's going on with Chantelle Houghton and opens up about his hopes

Priage to Jordan, Britain's most infamous glamour girl, back in May, has so far refused to be drawn into slanging matches with his outspoken ex, despite many opportunities to do so.

Pete has also done his best to shield his children Junior, four, and Princess, two, as well as Jordan's son Harvey, seven, from the split. "I want them to believe in Father Christmas that little bit longer," he added. "I want to protect them."

Meanwhile, Pete's estranged wife Jordan – real name Katie Price – has been less reserved. Seeming to relish any opportunity to take a pop at Pete, the 31 year old has let rip during countless TV appearances and last week even said she is contemplating marriage and more kids, adding, "The next guy will have to accept what I'm about and not try to change me."

Since she and Pete, 36, separated, Jordan has also been linked to a number of men, including 28-year-old riding instructor Andrew Gould, model Anthony Lowther, also 28, and cage fighter Alex Reid, 34.

Pete admits that he has always been attracted to wild girls, and blames his ex's wild behaviour on her star sign, Gemini, adding she has "two sides to her". Her antics have led Pete to shed 2st 10lb and he has admitted to breaking down days after the split.

"It all just suddenly hit me," he revealed. "That night I cried myself to sleep. It's something I haven't done since I was kid, but it was the only way I knew to get through the pain."

Pete has also admitted to losing his sex drive. "I'm a highly sexed guy, but I don't have the will at the moment. When you lose a lot of weight, you're not yourself and your sex drive goes."

Pete has denied ever cheating on his wife. "She's the only woman I've been with since we got together. I'd take a lie detector test to prove that," he said.

He was also quick to rubbish reports



he's after his wife's money, insisting it was his idea to sign a pre-nuptial agreement. The singer has also revealed he and Katie were offered a big money deal to host a chat show in the US, but decided to turn it down. "I've made my own money and will continue to do so," he said.

As well as filming his own reality TV show, Peter Andre: Going It Alone, our columnist also releases his first single in five years, next week. In a heartto-heart with new!, he confides that to have a number one hit would be "beyond a dream".

But despite a heavy work load, Pete hopes one day he will find love again. "My problem is that I've always been attracted to wild girls," he admitted. "I'd like to have a real family again because that's what I'm all about. I want someone who's happy to sit in and watch movies, go out for dinners, have family holidays together – a girl for whom family is enough."

Here, in an honest and heartfelt interview, Pete talks about life after Jordan, and his plans to get things back on track...

Since splitting with Jordan, you have become known as "Saint Peter", haven't you?

Oh, I don't know about that! But I would much rather be called "Saint Peter" than not "Saint Peter". And I am honoured with the British support – it has been incredible, unbelievable.

Are you amazed how many people are on "Tarma Pata"?

"Team Pete"? I have never in my life – even when things were at their peak back in the day – had the support I've had now. I know the industry is fickle and it could all change tomorrow, but right now, I'm so unbelievably appreciative of everybody's support. So, thank you.

How have you managed to stay so calm throughout such a difficult time?

My dad is a very calm person. He always said to me, "Whatever you do, no matter how hard it gets and no matter what somebody says about you, don't slate anyone." Now I have made mistakes in the past and I have probably said a couple of comments about people who have said something about me, but in general, I am not a person who likes to slate people. We all have our own demons, you know!

We certainly do! So are you getting through it all by throwing yourself into your work?

Work and children, work and children, work and children! I want to work so I can live and enjoy my life with my kids.

What about romance?

I am not even thinking [about it]. I am not even there.

But what about a certain Chantelle Houghton? You were linked to her at the beginning of July...

I felt sorry for Chantelle. She got signed up by my management and we went to these events together.

And what happened?

She's a really sweet girl, but I don't think that anyone really thought there was anything going on! *So are you just friends?*

I've only met her three times, but we'll become friends, definitely.

We have to say, you have an amazing tan. Have you had a

few

sneaky sunbeds? Honestly, I have not. The last time I would have done a sunbed or anything like

that would have been maybe once in America. When I go to Cyprus, I tan very easily and my tan lasts. I'm very Greek!

You are also looking very slim. How much weight have you lost?

Over 2st, but I don't know how because I still eat. And I'm Greek. We're not supposed to lose weight – we're supposed to put it on!

You did T4 On The Beach last month.

How was that?

It was amazing. There were a few technical things that happened but, you know, it was teething problems and it was the first performance in a long time. What was going through your mind when you fell off the stage?

I thought, "All my friends and family are going to be on the floor laughing and thinking, 'I wouldn't expect anything else from this guy."

A lot of the girls in the audience seemed very excited to see you...

It was amazing. I was more nervous once I was on stage than before I went on. I just didn't expect that kind of a response.

People are reading quite a lot into the

lyrics of your new single, Behind Closed Doors. So what is it all about?

Basically, it says enough without saying too much. It's just saying everyone in some small way lives behind a facade – they put on a persona.

There must be more to it than that, thinking about what was going on for you when you wrote it?

There probably is. I think you know it's loosely based on me, of course... on us.

Did you run the lyrics past Jordan once you initially wrote them?

You know what, I really... there were three of us in this project. There was me, AC Burrell, who used to be in So Solid Crew, and Frankie [Francis Frank Richards], who has written with everyone from Dr Dre to Bono. The three of us sat down and I would give the concept of the story, I would tell AC the kind of style I wanted, so the music would be created. In the mean-

time, me and Frankie would be putting the words in the right order, so really it was only ever run by us three.

People are saying it could go to number one. Do you think it will?

Oh my God, that's beyond even a dream. I would probably collapse if that happened.

Does it hurt that all this exciting stuff is happening with your music career now, yet you can't share it with Katie any more?

I know what you're saying, but I've always shared things with my brothers, my sister, my mum and dad, my children and friends. It's not the ideal situation, but you just move forward and carry on.

But do you worry you have said too much on certain tracks?

No, I don't. That is exactly how I felt and I think I have done the right thing. Call The Doctor, which was going to be the original single, was just too personal to be a first song. And wait until you hear the words to Distance [the lyrics are, Think maybe we should separate and find the truth/I gotta go now, I'll pack my bags and leave you alone now]. Even if people don't like the single or they don't like the music, just listen to the words, because that's what has been the most rewarding thing.