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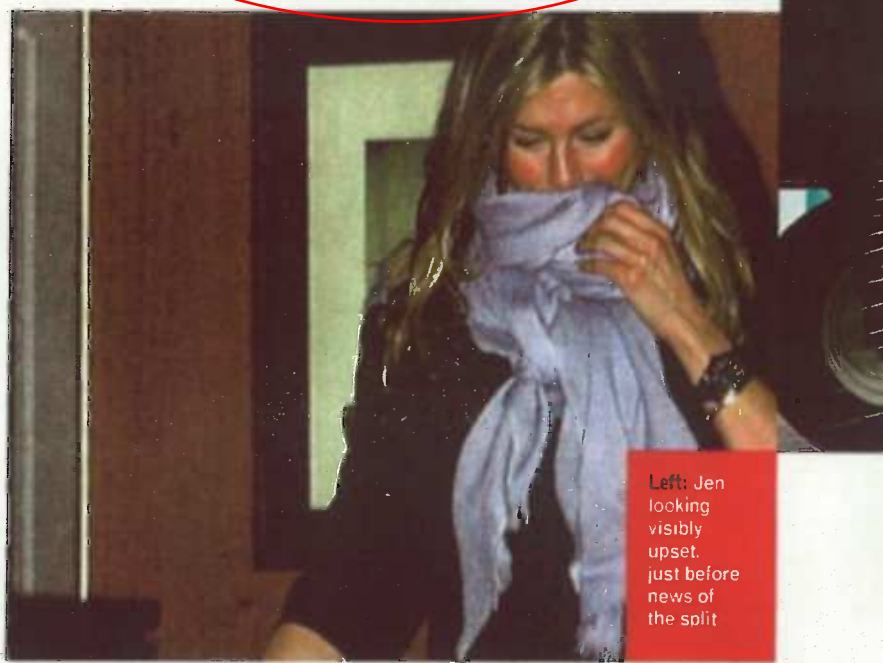
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# JEN SAYS SHE HAS NO INTEREST IN GETTING BACK TOGETHER NOW»

How did the couple go from being totally loved up to being totally over – again? According to sources close to John, doubts set in almost immediately after the Oscars, when Jennifer, 40, flew to Europe to promote *Marley & Me* for a week. 'John is saying he felt under enormous pressure to marry Jennifer and have kids,' said a source. 'But he's all about his career right now and has realised he wants to be single.' Sources claim the musician, who is now in the studio recording his next album, has been telling friends that he felt Jennifer was becoming overly 'obsessed' with him and that he grew tired of her forcing commitment. Friends of Jennifer, meanwhile, have told *Grazia* that it was around this time John began avoiding her. 'He'd call but he just wouldn't pick up,' said one close confidant last week. 'They were hardly in touch the whole time she was travelling across Europe.' When Jennifer flew back to Los Angeles, John finally ended the plug. Days later, on Tuesday night last week, the actress was then pictured outside LA's exclusive West Tower Hotel after dining with her best friend Courtney Cox. She looked visibly upset – and for the first time in months she wasn't wearing the gold Rolex that John had given her as a gift last year. While no doubt concerned about Jennifer's well-being, Courtney and her other friends may be extremely relieved John's out of the picture again. Since then, his motives have provoked deep suspicion, particularly when he blabbed to reporters about his and Jennifer's first break-up last August, while standing on a New York street corner. 'It's the most normal thing in the world,' he announced to anyone who would listen. 'Different people have different chemistry, they have different needs. It's not about years, it's about going out with somebody, being truthful on the way in, being truthful on the way out and being truthful on the way out.' Amazingly, however, Jennifer still took him back. In an interview, she spoke glowingly of her on-off love and defended his public outburst, saying, 'He had to get that out there that he broke up with me. And especially because it's me,' she said, adding. 'Trust me, I'll never see that happen again from that man. And it doesn't take away from the fact that he is a wonderful guy.' At the Oscars, she also announced she was 'very happy' as she clung to John's arm. Now sources say she fears that John – famed for his love for the media attention – might have even leaked the details of last week's split, adding to her upset. She is said to have since begged him not to discuss the break-up in public. 'Given what he's put her through, she says she has no interest in getting back together



Right: lots of public displays of affection on their Bahamas vacation



Left: Jen looking visibly upset, just before news of the split

now, and who could blame her. However, she's asked him to show her some respect and not go blabbing on his blog, and he's agreed to that. But he's broken promises before,' said the friend. As *Grazia* went to press, however, some of the more cynical commentators were noting how the timing of the break-up could in fact be quite telling, in that John has 'done his job' by providing Jennifer with a partner on the night she came face-to-face with her ex-husband Brad Pitt and his girlfriend, Angelina Jolie at the Oscars, and supplied her with added 'love interest' during the worldwide junket for her latest box-office hit. But other sources insist the relationship was genuine and in a recent interview, Jennifer admitted she didn't believe in the perfect romance, adding: 'Whoever said that every relationship has to last forever?' Clearly not John Mayer. ■

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