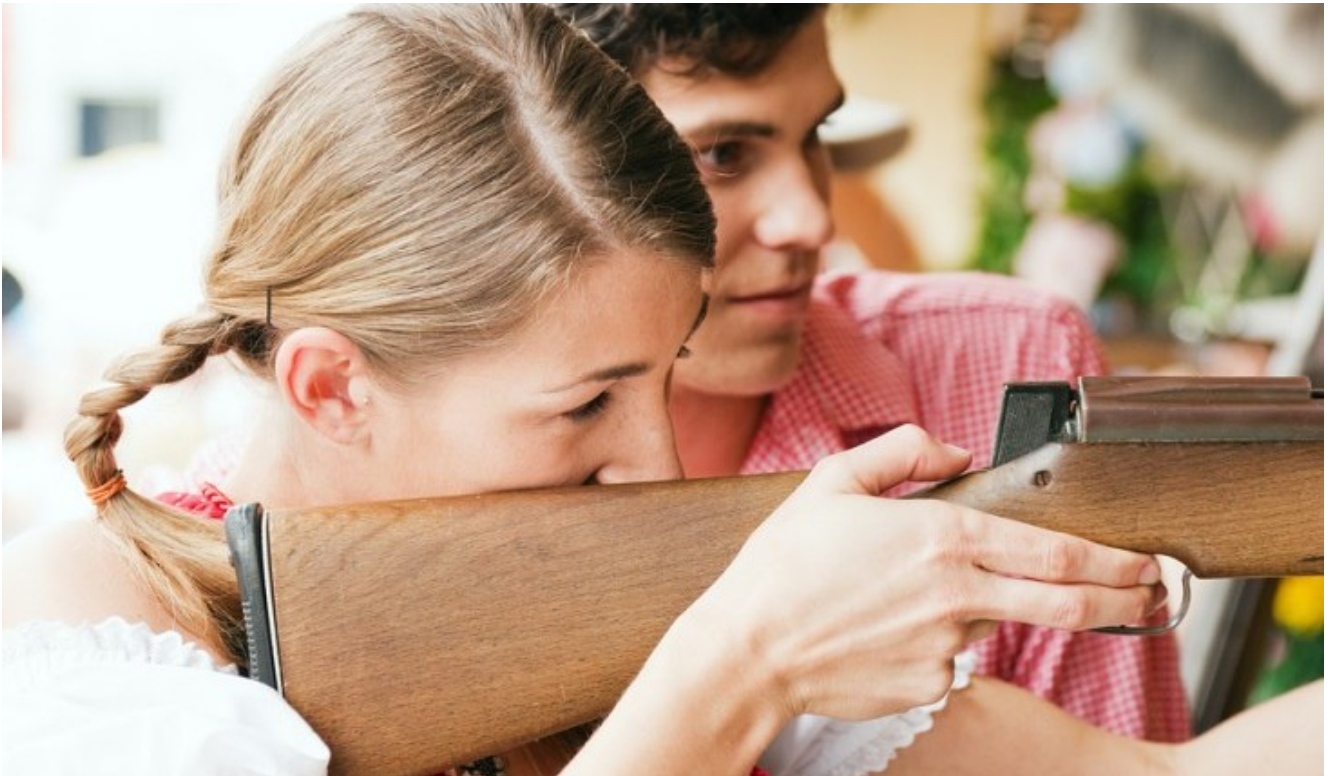


Date Idea: Go To a Turkey Shoot



By [Carly Horowitz](#) and Kristin Mattern

If you can't wait for Thanksgiving and dreams of pumpkin pie and mashed potatoes are already filling your head, it's time to get into the holiday spirit! This weekend, take your significant other to a turkey shoot. Don't worry, no turkeys are harmed during this event! Take aim at love as you and your partner shoot at targets 30 feet away in this long-standing traditional competition. Whoever hits the center of the targets, or just gets the closest, wins a frozen turkey as a prize! It'll be the perfect addition to your Thanksgiving table.

Take part in this traditional [date idea](#) during this season of thanks!

Get in the mood for this date by wearing flannel shirts and horseback riding boots. If you're a skilled shooter, impress your babe with your marksmanship. And if you're a little gun shy (pun intended), a good tip to remember is to move with the recoil as the gun hits your shoulder to avoid bruising or discomfort. Always wear safety goggles and practice safe shooting. Don't point your rifle anywhere but the target and follow all the instructions provided by the event coordinators to ensure a fun and safe time.

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When your turkey shoot is over, it's time to head back for a romantic home-cooked meal. Cooking is a fun activity that you can enjoy together. Grow closer with your sweetheart while swapping recipes or researching some new ones. For something simple, make a dish like pasta with red sauce and turkey meatballs. During your [date night](#) time in the kitchen, discover each other's favorite foods and types of cuisine. If you don't feel like cooking, order in! Opt for cheesy pizza or spicy Thai food, whatever the two of you are craving after your big day. Look into some [famous restaurants](#) near you and see if they offer take-out as well.

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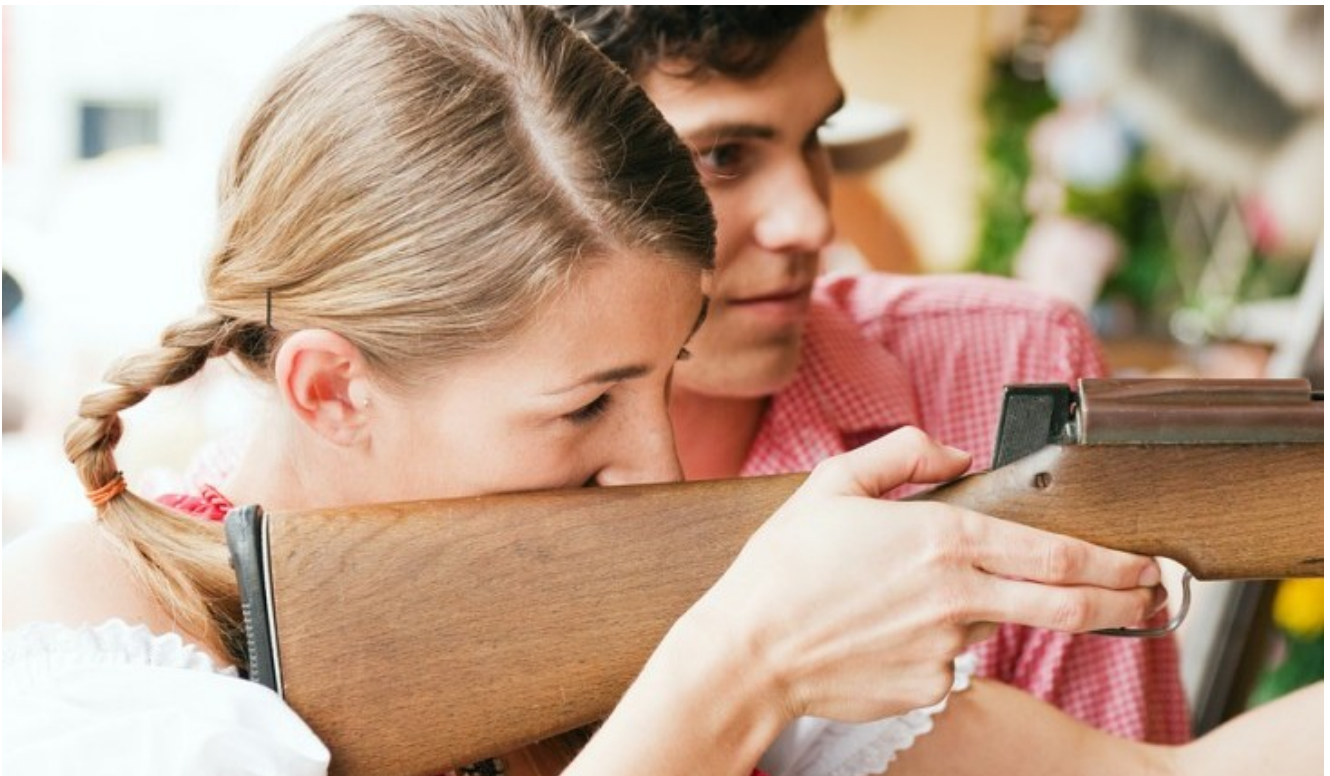
After dinner, make Thanksgiving-themed drinks like hot apple cider or cranberry and vodka and watch a Thanksgiving movie. You and your honey will laugh until it hurts watching a classic like *Trains, Planes and Automobiles*. Then, get a little sentimental and relive your childhood with *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving*. Build a fire in the fireplace and really get cozy with the one you love as you prep for the upcoming

holiday.

This date idea could be you and your sweetheart's new November tradition!

Ever been on a Turkey Shoot? Tell about your experience in the comments below!

Date Idea: Get in the Game



By [Carly Horowitz](#) and Kristin Mattern

Nothing says November and Thanksgiving tradition like a friendly game of football with your sweetie. The two of you can throw around the old pigskin alone this weekend, or grab

some family and friends for a game against other couples! Celebrate with drinks at a local spot or cuddle up for a football-themed movie at home. Get out there and tackle your way into love.

Check out these entertaining [date ideas!](#)

Put on your favorite team jerseys, step outside, and enjoy the cool fall weather as you play a game of catch. Gather your friends and family together for a game. Play flag football – there's no tackling necessary! Use cheap socks dyed two different colors that the players can tuck into their pockets to differentiate the teams. To take down an opponent, simply grab a sock from the players' pocket. Come up with a team chant or victory dance for whenever either you or your sweetheart score a goal!

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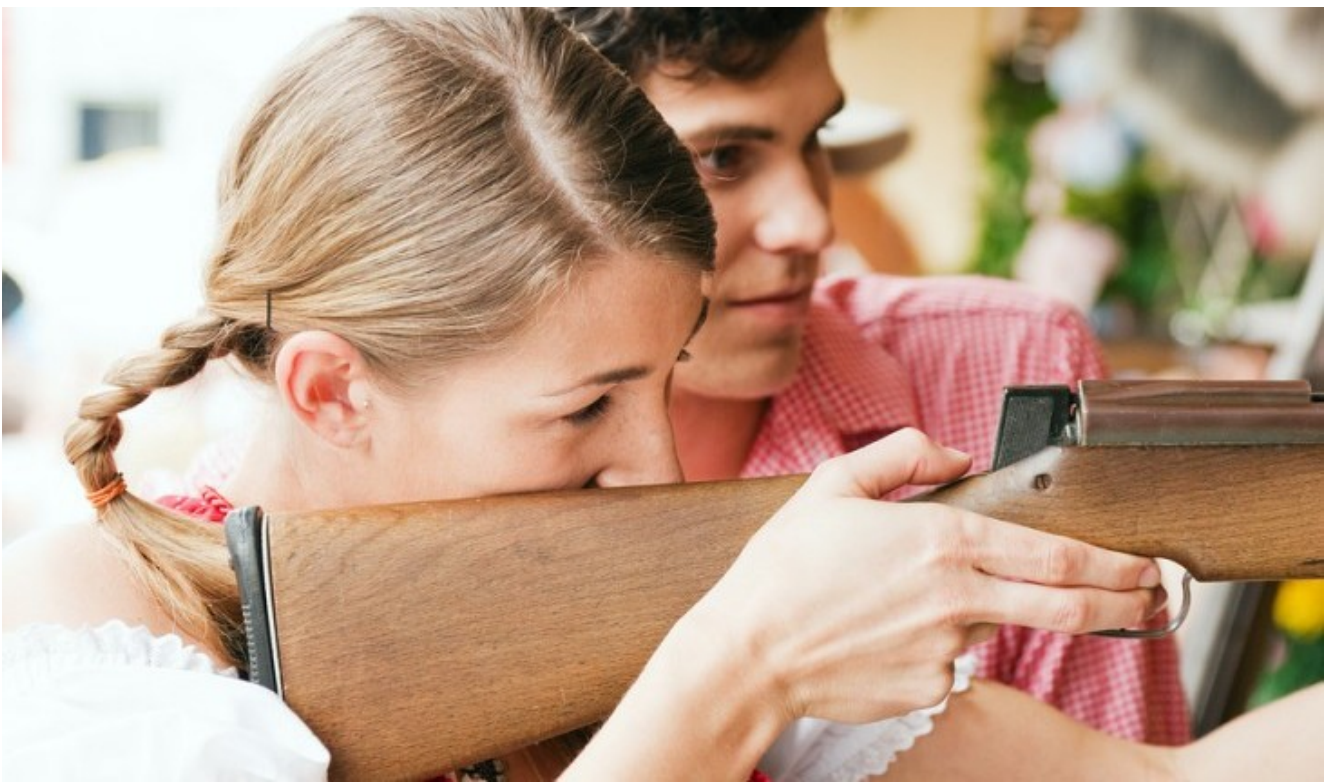
After you're done tossing the ball around, go out for drinks at a nearby sports bar. To amp up the friendly rivalry, decide beforehand that the losing team will buy the first round of drinks. Remember to set a price cap so that no one is ordering too many cocktails! Celebrate the winning team's victory and the fun times you and your partner shared.

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Wind down the evening by watching a sports movie. Enjoy Friday Night Lights for something stirring. If you're looking for laughs, pick Waterboy or Leatherheads. Finish your [date night](#) by snuggling together and just relaxing after your active day.

Do you enjoy playing football with your love? Let us know in the comments below!

Date Idea: A Day with Your Pumpkin



By [Jessica Gomez](#) and Shannon Seibert

Sure, picking and carving pumpkins is a fun date idea, but sometimes we want to change it up. Outdo yourselves and head to a pumpkin festival or to a fall fair. Really breathe in the autumn air and experience the season's spirit together. Participating in this unique [weekend date idea](#) can do wonders for your relationship because of the bonding.

We have a date idea for you and your “pumpkin” this season. Check it out:

Go to a fall fair as a date! Fairs are a great date spot because there is something new to discover around every corner. Whether you view the festivities from the heights of the Ferris Wheel or chow down on goodies, it's always eventful. Hop on a hayride together and listen to ghost stories with your bae. Chase each other through a corn maze and challenge each other to some carnival games. Fall head over heels for your boo thing as you're both whipped around on the fair rides. Classics such as “The Twister” and bumper cars will bring out your sense of adventure and have the both of you laughing and screaming with joy.

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After you play, check out some of the fair's shows. Usually, there are monster truck rallies, tightrope walkers, and even magic shows that will captivate you and your love. Be sure to get good seats because you're about to be amazed!

At the end of your fair-a-pollooza, have your partner pick out a winning pumpkin to take home. Together, carve out the insides and remove the seeds. Then, bring your pumpkin to life with creative designs.

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For a delicious snack, gather the seeds and wash off the pulp. Preheat your oven to 350 degrees and place the seeds on some baking sheets. For a more classic snack, coat them in a light glaze of extra virgin olive oil and sprinkle them with salt. If your pumpkin is looking for a more tropical taste, glaze the seeds with coconut oil and a hint of pineapple juice. Heat

the seeds for fifteen to twenty minutes or until golden. Yum!

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End this date idea by grabbing a quilted blanket and a cup of hot cocoa and heading to your couch. Munch on your pumpkin seed goods and pop in a Halloween movie. If your honey is a horror fan, you can never go wrong with old classics, such as *Friday the 13th* or *Halloween*. These films will give you an excuse (not that you need one) to hold on tight to your other half because the films will scare you senseless.

How do you and your sweetheart get into the fall spirit? Tell us in the comments below!

Date Idea: Fall in Love with Falling Leaves





By [Jessica Gomez](#) Kristin Mattern

We bet you remember the sheer thrill of leaping into a pile of earthy leaves as a child, the joy of tossing the motley colors up into the sky over your head and watching them fall around you. Relive that magic this weekend with your sweetheart and rake your way to the perfect fall date.

Here are some [date ideas](#) that involve colorful, crispy leaves:

Offer to help your honey rake his or her yard...and then jump in: See who can make the biggest pile or who can rake the fastest – making things into a competition get some couples going. Rate each other's leaf jumps: Who made the biggest mess? Who fell in the funniest or more gracious way? Use your phone to record the jumps so you can compare. Maybe even post some awesome action shots to Instagram or Facebook.

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Make a scrapbook with the leaves: Leaves are for more than just jumping in. Document the different leaves you and your significant other find along the way. Compare colors, shapes, and sizes. Take a moment to marvel at the wonders of nature. Create a scrapbook together where you add all the really beautiful leaves you find or add photographs of the beautiful views. If the leaves are supple enough, you can even make leaf rubbings together. Take a piece of paper, place it over the leaf, rub a naked crayon the long way against the paper over the leaf, and voila! You have a commemorative etching of your fall romp.

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Cuddle up and enjoy the gorgeous fall foliage: After all the leaves are raked, the pile jumping has ended and your apple pie has been consumed, you and your honey can cuddle up under a blanket or recline against a tree in the yard and take it all in. Check out your state's peak foliage [here](#).

Now it's time to get out there and make some magic fall moments with your honey! If you want to spread some extra love, help your parents or elderly neighbors clean up their yards too. Build up some good Karma together – and hey, you never know, the person you helped out might just give you an apple pie or some hot cider when you're finished.

Have you shared some fun fall moments with your love? Share below!

Date Idea: Haunt Your Honey



By [Jessica Gomez](#) and Kristin Mattern

Halloween is the perfect day to shake things up a bit and have a date that fits the holiday! Get into the spirit with your sweetie and dress up as a couple: go for goofy, serious, or sexy. However you switch it up for this haunted holiday, take advantage of the spooky atmosphere and do something different together.

Halloween is an exciting time of year, and we have some love and dating advice. Here are some [date](#)

ideas for those of us who love feeling the spooky spirit:

Get scary and venture into a haunted house: Looking for the scariest haunted houses around? Check out [America Haunts](#) or [Haunt World](#) for the freakiest attractions across America. Hold tight to your honey as you walk through enchanted rooms and possessed houses. Share some laughs over who screams first or loudest.

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If fake horror isn't enough, find a real haunted property and check it out: Take photographs as you walk around – you never know when you might catch a ghost on film. However, remember to make sure you aren't trespassing. You can visit this [site](#) to find some real haunted houses to tour on Halloween. You can also opt to have a Halloween picnic at a nearby graveyard and enjoy the scary scenery; just remember to always be respectful.

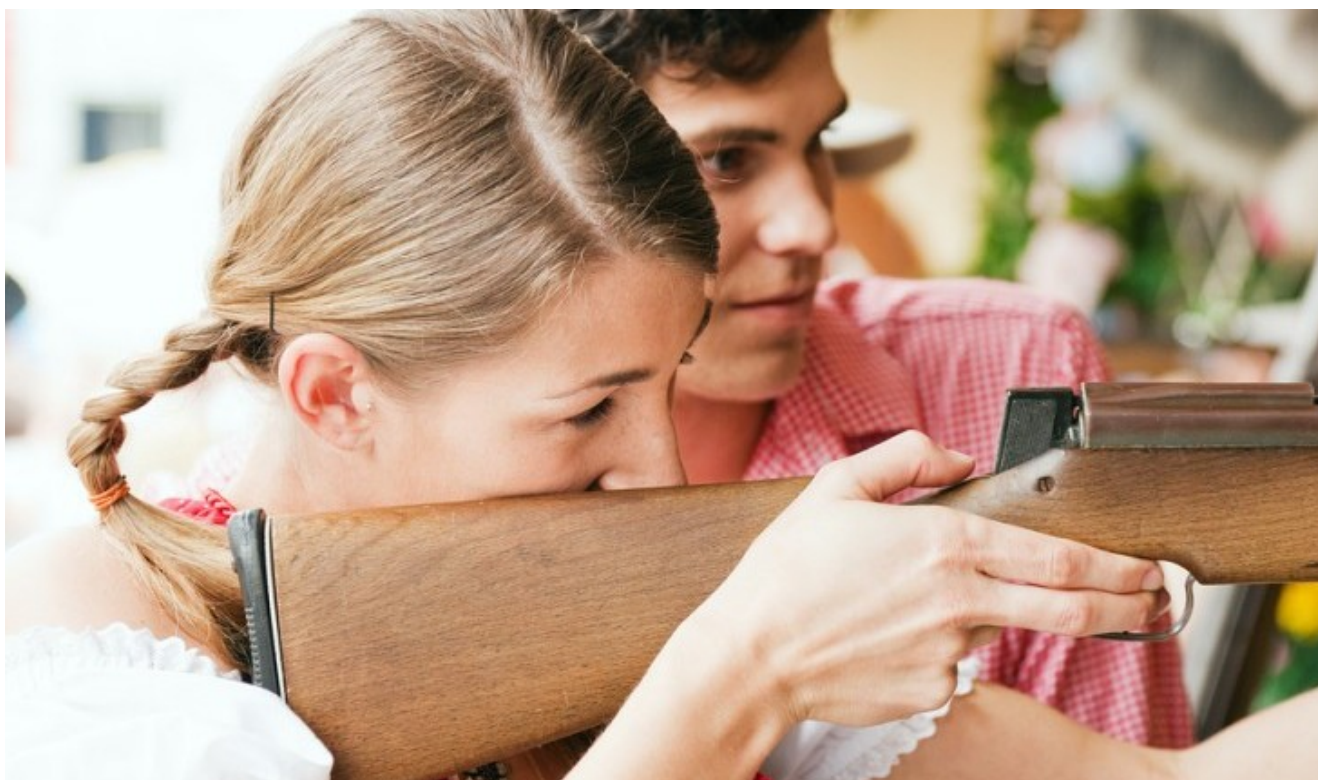
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A romantic and scary movie date: If at home, curl up together on the couch and watch some horror classics or go for the recent and new. The choice is yours. If you want to do a real Halloweeny-flick, you should watch all three Halloween films by director John Carpenter. For more suspense and intrigue and less scare, put on The Twilight Zone. Discuss your favorite kinds of Halloween movies, and don't forget to bake some Halloween-themed snacks to enjoy. Feeling lazy? Buy the snacks. For more thrills and chills, make your way to your local theater. If you don't want to stay home, catch the latest horror flick or thriller at the movies, then sit back and prepare for the scare-a-thon as the cinematic magic takes you and your date on a roller coaster of gut-wrenching emotions.

Halloween is such an awesome holiday! Always remember to get a little wild and have a spooky good time with your sweetie!

Have you had a freaky date on Halloween? Share your chilling tales in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Be a Sweetheart



By [Jessica Gomez](#) and Shannon Seibert

The saying goes that the best way to a person's heart is through their stomach – and we agree! Take this weekend to satisfy your sweet tooth with some new recipes and fun in the kitchen. With these delicious date ideas, you and your significant other can indulge in sweet treats – and in each

other. It's time to get sweet with one another! Get creative and bake something special. Surprise each other with samples of your favorite desserts and be sure to try them all.

Remember all of those Pinterest recipes you've "pinned for later"? Well, now is the time to bust out your best Betty Crocker moves to impress your partner and add a new dimension to your relationship! Here are some yummy [weekend date ideas](#):

If you need a little baking inspiration, you can never go wrong with chocolate: Brownies, cookies, cakes, or any other treat – chocolate is always the answer! You can bring a little extra something to your batch of brownies by putting crumbled Oreo pieces in the batter. You can also bury your honey's favorite candy bar in the cake batter for a sweet surprise. If you aren't a fan of chocolate, there are plenty of other sweet options on the web that you can whip up to satisfy that sweet tooth.

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Play with your food: Consider this dating and [love advice](#). Sure, you've always been told not to play with your food, but it's time to bend some rules. After all, we're adults! Make an assortment of yummy treats and blindfold your bae. Feed them one bite at a time and have them guess which one he's tasting or even the specific ingredients. If they get it right, then it's your turn to be blindfolded! If you're feeling a little adventurous on this weekend date idea, bring out your inner

six-year-old and start a classic food fight. Flick a little flour their way, and before you know it, the both of you will resemble the inside of a mixing bowl. If you don't mind the mess, it's a fun way to pass the time while waiting for your goodies to bake.

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Decorate your tasty treats: After all, icing is just a step up from Crayons. Write your baby a sweet message on a decorative cake to show them you care. Something as simple as "glad you're mine" or the traditional "I love you" can make them smile. Afterwards, pair a glass of Sherry with your favorite dessert, and enjoy sweet conversation with each other.

Have any sweet secret recipes? Share with us in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Haunted History





By [Jessica Gomez](#) and Shannon Seibert

Black cats, haunted houses, and spooky ghosts – oh my! For those of us that love Halloween, these words excite us! Embrace the aura of that holiday with your love and dive into that Halloween spirit that brings you joy. Every town has their creepy histories, so discover your local haunts with your sweetheart for creative, fun weekend date ideas. Bond over scary and chilling stories out there or at home!

Here are spooky and fun date ideas for you and your partner outside and in the comfort of your own home:

Ghost stories have been around for generations to either scare or comfort the living. Research your town's history and immerse yourselves in its haunted mysteries. Some small towns have the best mysteries to tell. For example: Melbourne, Florida, has a haunted mansion on US Highway 1 that hosts a

storytelling event at the edge of property each year. Rumor has it, Old Man Willis still hangs around the property and has made alleged appearances.

Check out local graveyards or town centers for ghost tales too: On Halloween, a lot of cities have public readings that tell the classic urban legends we all know and love. As the stories are shared aloud, hold hands – and hold on to your honey for extra protection from the spirits around you. *wink wink*

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Together set up a spooky story sight of your own in the front yard: Dress up with your partner as a scary [famous couple](#), like Morticia and Gomez Adams or Frankenstein's Monster and his bride, and read to the trick-or-treaters as they pass by. Not only is this date idea one you can enjoy with your partner, but you can enhance the night for the children too!

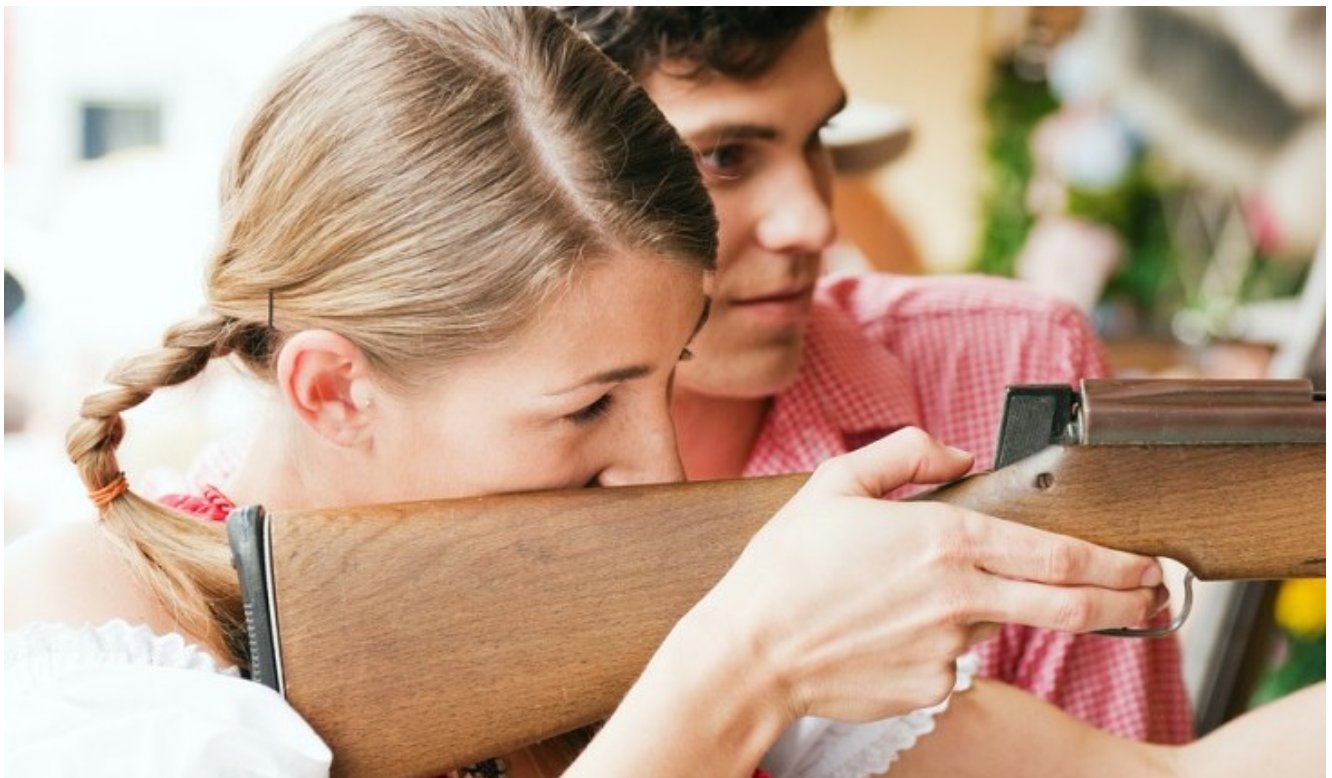
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If you're staying in for the night, follow this relationship advice: Pick out some ghost stories and legends to test out for yourselves. Show Bloody Mary who's boss and confront her in the mirror with your lover at your side (spooky... and romantic?). No matter how old you are, there's always a voice in the back of your head that gives you the heebie-jeebies! For a more intimate date idea, prop up some blankets and create a makeshift tent in the middle of your living room. Turn off all of the lights except for a flashlight that you both pass back and forth while telling each other tales. Embrace your inner child and get cozy!

And finally, bust out Halloween's best tradition: the candy! Feed your sweetheart the holiday sweets – give your honey sugar. You and your love will be laughing the night away as you trade ghost stories and exchange candy-flavored kisses.

What other cool things do you do for Halloween? Tell us in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Love is Magic



By [Jessica Gomez](#) and Shannon Seibert

Magic isn't just for kids, and it can be more than silly card tricks or a rabbit hopping out of a top hat. In fact, love is an indefinite form of unexplained magic. The feeling of love is a magical mystery that can give us reasons to believe in something greater than ourselves.

This weekend, you and your sweetheart should leave your predispositions at the door and become enchanted by the power of magic all over again. Here are some magical [date ideas](#):

Have a magic movie marathon: There are so many movies that will have you two love birds wanting to learn a few tricks of your own. Get some popcorn and other munchies to set the “movie marathon” mood and snag a couple of cheap bottles of wine while you’re out too to prepare. Then, get ready to snuggle close together and watch recently released magic movies and the classics! [Netflix.com](https://www.netflix.com) has a whole category of enjoyable magic-based movies, so that you and your honey can have the pick of the litter.

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Check out a local magic show: Buy some tickets or even go out and watch street performers in the park – magic can exist anywhere. Tour your local area to see if you can catch any of your city’s hidden talent. There are also plenty of night clubs and venues that showcase magical talent. During the show, try to make guesses about how each trick is executed and compare theories. Some magicians incorporate the audience in their tricks, so get yourselves involved! Maybe being “sawed in two” will actually end up bringing you and your other half closer together.

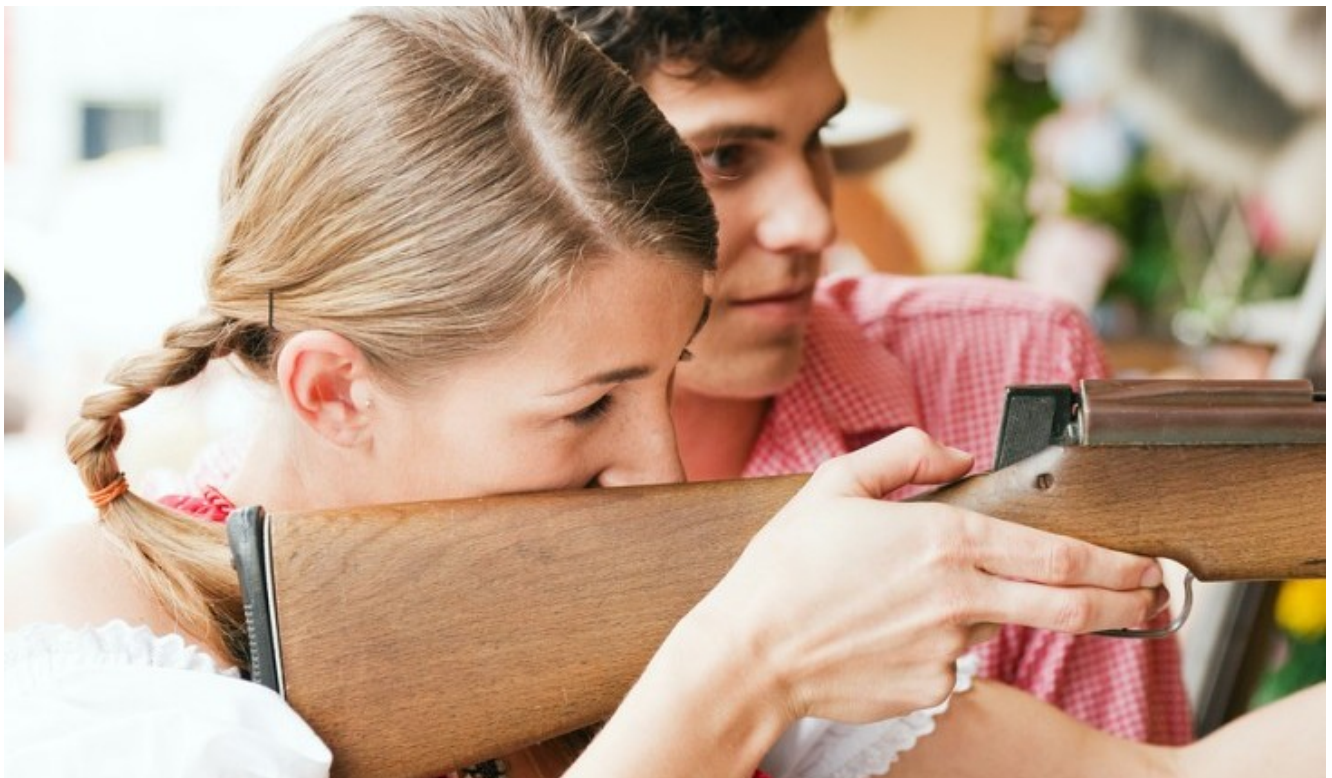
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Look up magic trick tutorials: Do it separately, and then try them on each other. This will be a cute bonding experience and

you'll learn some new tricks – plus the ones you can teach each other as well. You give a little and get a little. Learn a couple, learn a bunch – up to you. Embrace your inner child and go nuts!

Have any other ideas on “magical dates? Share with us in the comments below!

Date Idea: Relive High School Memories



By [Carly Horowitz](#) and Kristin Mattern

This weekend, take a stroll down memory lane as you and your

sweetie hit up old hangouts from high school. Cheer for the home team as they play their biggest rival, plan an adult prom for your friends, or relive your first date jitters. No matter what you choose, you'll enjoy spending time with your man and thinking about your carefree days as a teenager.

Time travel back to high school with your partner and embark on these suggestions for a different yet nostalgic [date idea!](#)

Start the date off right by making team-themed t-shirts to wear to the game. All you need is a white shirt and some fabric markers in your school colors. Either pack a picnic dinner or plan to buy a good, old-fashioned hot dog from the snack bar. Remember to bring a blanket- not only will it keep the two of you warm as the night begins to cool, it will also make for a cozier moment.

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If football isn't your thing, take this opportunity to eat at your favorite burger joint from high school. Take a drive with the windows down and the music turned up. Order the same meal you used to eat when you were seventeen, or if you just want to satisfy your sweet tooth, share a chocolate milkshake. Lean in close to your sweetheart and reminisce about being young.

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Prom is debatably one of the most magical nights of your teen years. Take this date back to that romantic evening by finding an adult prom night near you, or host one at your house with your friends! Pretend you're on the prom planning committee and choose a theme, like the 1980s or 90s. You and your

partner can wear those slightly out-dated duds that you haven't worn in a while and strut your stuff as you dance the night away. Or you can model your favorite [fashion trends](#) and admire how style has changed over time!

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For another simple option, stick to the classics. Every high schooler goes on the ever-popular dinner-and-movie date. Remember the excitement before your first date and get ready to go out. Buy your significant other some flowers and pick them up at eight- don't be late! This cute date idea will have the two of you smiling all night long.

Revisited your high school days on a date with your bae? Relive the magic by telling us about it in the comments below!

Date Idea: Plan a Walk Around Town





By [Carly Horowitz](#) and Kristin Mattern

Already walked down every nature trail in the area with your sweetie? It's time for a new outdoor adventure! Take an urban stroll this weekend and enjoy the fantastic weather while finding all the coolest little hotspots around town. You might just uncover your new favorite place to hang out!

Venture out on a walk through your town for your next [date idea](#)!

Before you set out on your date, you need to first decide a route. Will this be a short and brisk stroll through a familiar neighborhood, or are you up for a long trek through uncharted territory? Whatever kind of walk you pick, be sure to have your phone with you so that you don't get lost. Also, as you discover nifty places on your walk, jot them down in your notes so it is easier for you and your partner to visit them again.

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If you are wandering around a well-known area, like a part of town you drive through to get to work, take the time to slow down and appreciate all of the little details you miss during the morning rush. As you walk hand and hand, snap some pictures of the area. Take turns posing in front of your favorite coffee shop and stores. Discover a new little café that you've never noticed before and grab some lattes for your stroll around town. Play eye-spy with your darling and have fun looking at your community with a new perspective.

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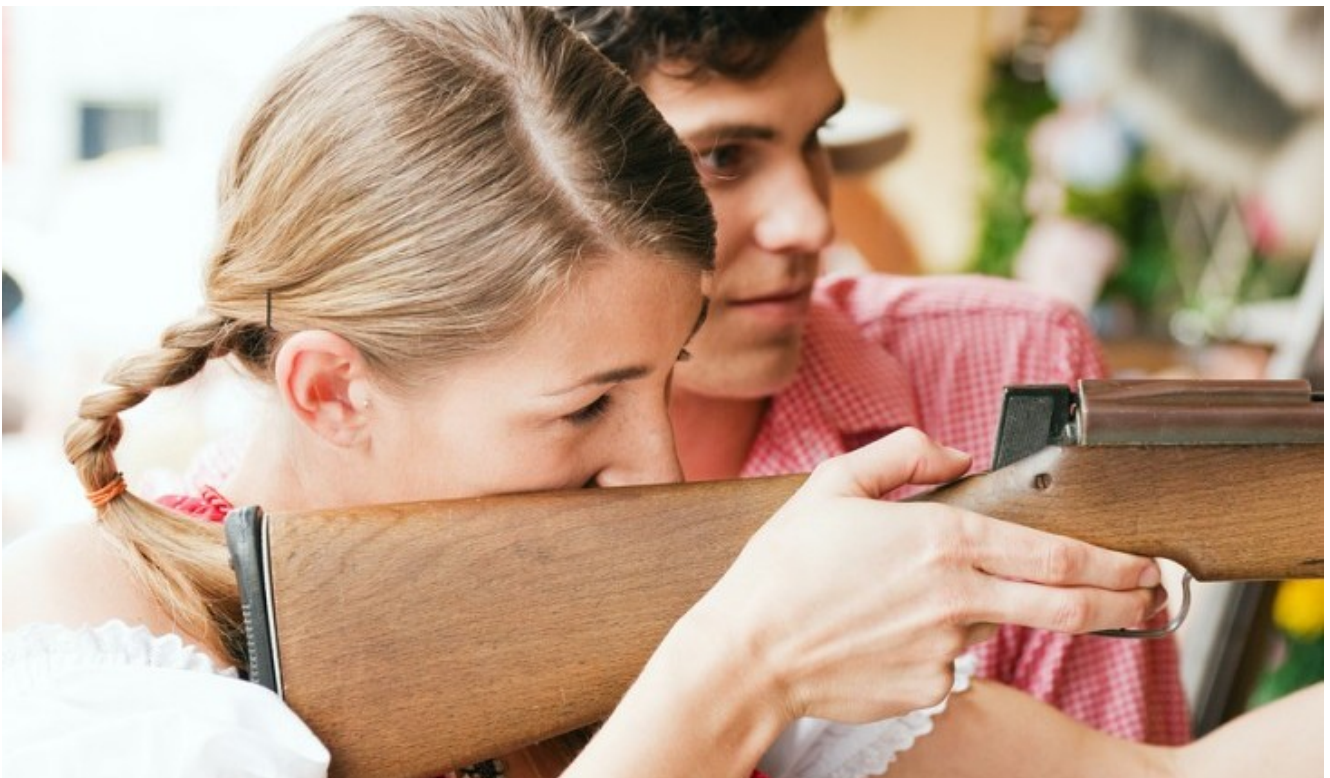
If you live in NYC, why don't you and your honey walk the perimeter of Manhattan? If you did the route it would be a 32-mile walk and we know that's a bit challenging. So try just a quarter of it instead! It's tough but very fun and rewarding too. Dress for a hike or sport your favorite [fashion trends](#) as long as its comfy and easy to walk in! Bring water and food, and embark on a date that promises to please. See wigwams, old architecture, green gardens, the Hudson and more on this romantic adventure!

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Located in LA? Drive out to Venice Beach, located about a half an hour away from the coast. Take in the iconic boardwalk with it's unique and colorful buildings, ferris wheel and trendy shops while enjoying the brisk fall air as it rolls off the ocean. You can even take a self-guided tour of Venice's Murals for free. Then head over to a quaint little eatery like Il Moro Restaurant and Gastrobar and watch the sunset. It's the perfect ending to a perfect [date night](#).

Have you planned an outdoor date in your hometown? Tell us about it in the comments below!

Date Idea: Hometown Hotel



By Jessica Conigliaro and [Carly Horowitz](#)

Plan an exciting “stay-cation” with your partner, and spend the weekend in a hotel right down the block. Going on vacation is usually extremely costly. But luckily, it doesn’t have to be. If you’re looking for a few inexpensive nights of relaxation, simply stay in your hometown. Even though you’re not traveling too far, this still serves as a [romantic getaway](#) because it is always beneficial to spend some time with your boo out of the house.

Enjoy a romantic and quick [date idea](#) while saving some bucks!

Order scrumptious room service and spend some peaceful time together without worrying about any responsibilities. Cuddle up in bed and rent a movie- maybe watch something that you both missed when it was in theaters. Don't forget the popcorn! A little escape from reality is just what the two of you need to prepare for yet another work week.

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Be sure to plan a couple's spa day in order to make it really feel like you are vacationing together. Get a soothing massage or relax in the sauna with your partner. While you're at it, spoil yourself and get a facial too. You will get both be in the vacation spirit before you know it!

Additionally, use this time to bond with your partner by going to the gym together. A "stay-cation" is the perfect opportunity to reset your workout routine – you have a free gym at your disposal! Jump on side-by-side treadmills or head to a local hiking trail. If the hotel offers yoga classes, give that a shot too! Yoga is an amazing activity that helps you get in touch with your inner self. You'll both relax, work up a sweat, and feel great about yourselves.

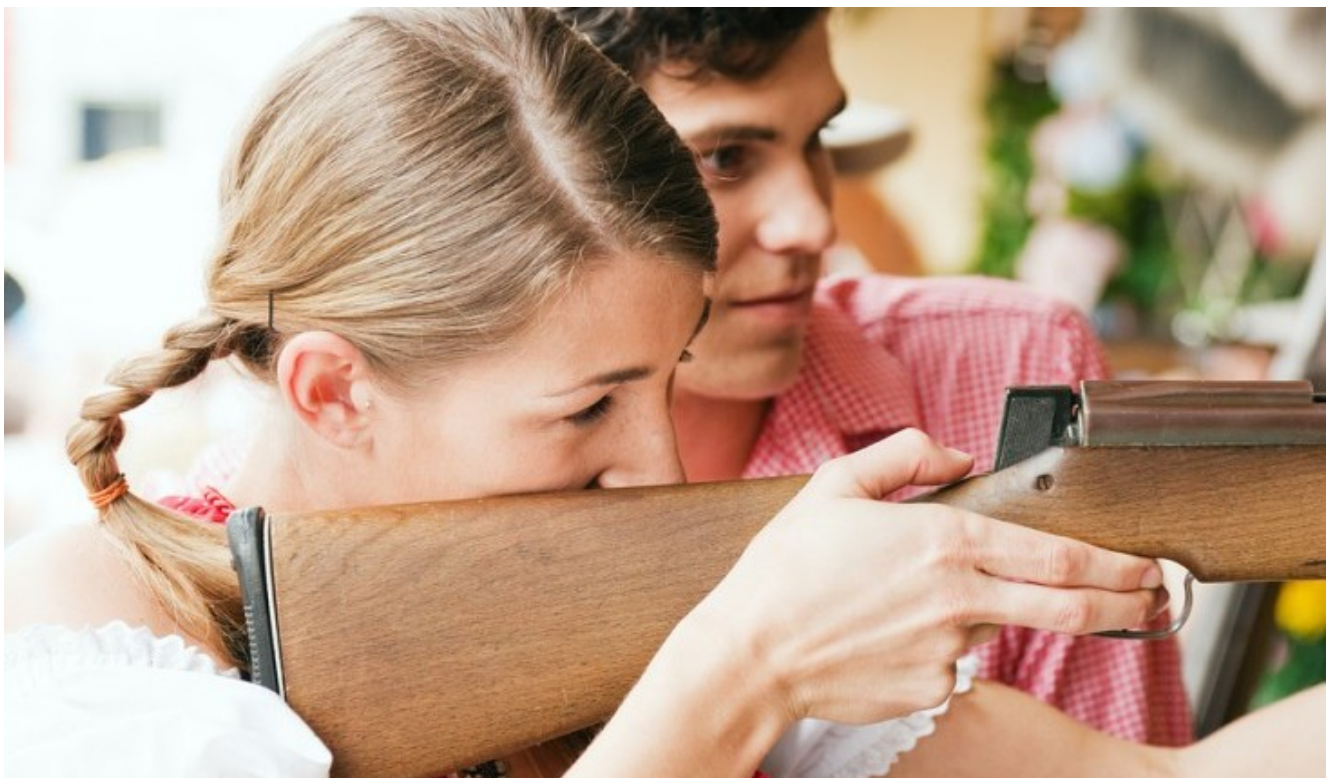
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Go down to the hotel restaurant one night for a romantic dinner. Treat yourselves and order the most expensive thing on the menu. Sip on some fancy cocktails while you wait for your meal. Be sure to save room for dessert too! Get a brownie sundae and let your sweetheart feed you delicious scoops of ice cream and hot fudge. What a perfect way to end a perfect weekend.

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Tell us about a “stay-cation” that you’ve enjoyed with your partner!

Date Idea: Best Shows to Binge-Watch With Your Partner



By [Karley Kemble](#)

If you and your partner enjoy staying in, kicking back and watching shows together, then you’ve probably binge-watched a show (or five) together. Are you on the hunt for another one?

Look no further. Check out these four [date ideas](#) that will have you hooked!

You'll love these show recommendations for your next [date night](#)!

1. Friday Night Lights: Regardless if you are a football fan or not, this show is a must-see. The five seasons follow a close-knit Texas football team and their community at-large, and also talks about topics surrounding contemporary American culture.

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2. The Office: There's a reason "The Office" was a household name for nine seasons! Each episode perfectly captures the hilariousness of a normal 9-5 workday, and the characters are so unique and compelling. You and your partner are sure to laugh until your stomachs hurt.

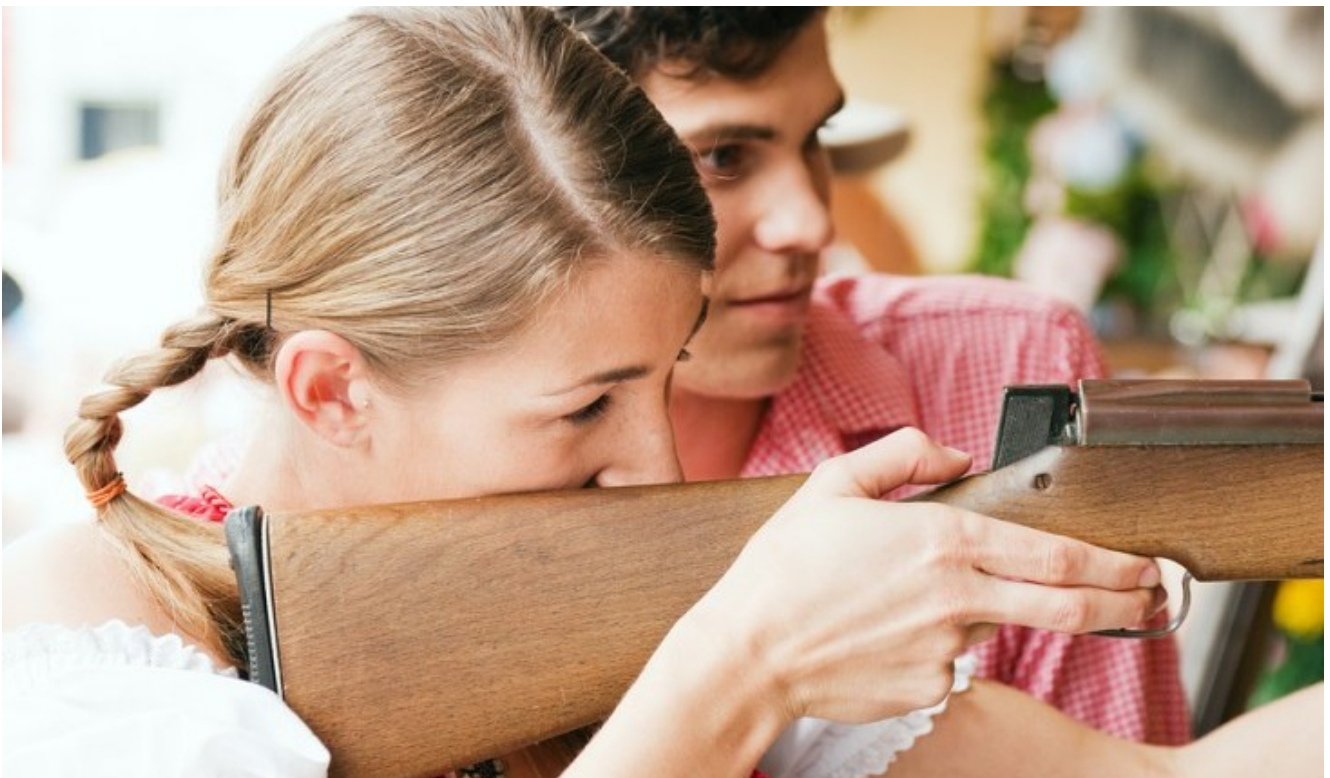
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3. This is Us: If you've been wanting to tune into "This is Us" but don't want to feel lost during the current season, dive in on Hulu! This show takes you on an emotional journey within each 45 minute episode, following the lives of the Pearson family throughout the course of their lives.

4. Scrubs: "Scrubs" is another oldie but goodie, because it brings humor to a rather mundane place – the hospital. Nine seasons will definitely keep you and your partner busy for awhile, too.

What shows do you and your partner watch together? Share in the comment section!

Date Idea: Batter Up



By [Rachel Sparks](#)

This weekend, celebrate America's favorite pastime with your love! Go to a baseball game, watch one on television, or even play together at a nearby park. No matter what, you'll both appreciate taking an interest in something new for this [weekend date idea](#)!

Spend this weekend enjoying a classic sport with your love!

Want to surprise your partner? Buy two tickets to the next local baseball game and head to the ballpark to cheer for your hometown team. For lunch, enjoy a stadium hot dog or some cheesy nachos and a cold beer. Your significant other will think it's romantic that you're spending the day doing something new and team-driven.

Go to the game a little early and watch the team warm up by the dugout. If you're lucky, you may even get to meet some of the players or score some autographs. Buy a jersey, hat, and foam finger to really get in the spirit. Be sure to bring your camera too – your new gear makes for a perfect photo opportunity to commemorate this [date night](#). The baseball park may even offer professional shots.

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Want to do something romantic for your partner? Pucker up for the kiss cam. Being on the screen will make you feel like a [celebrity couple](#)! Make the game more interesting by placing bets on which team you think is going to win. Rooting against each other will make the game even more fun. Loser has to buy the next round of beers or cook dinner that night.

After the game ends, toss around a baseball together before calling it a night. Teach each other your personal techniques – maybe your love has a special curveball that helped their high school team win the state championship, or maybe you're the sporty one and can create some friendly competition.

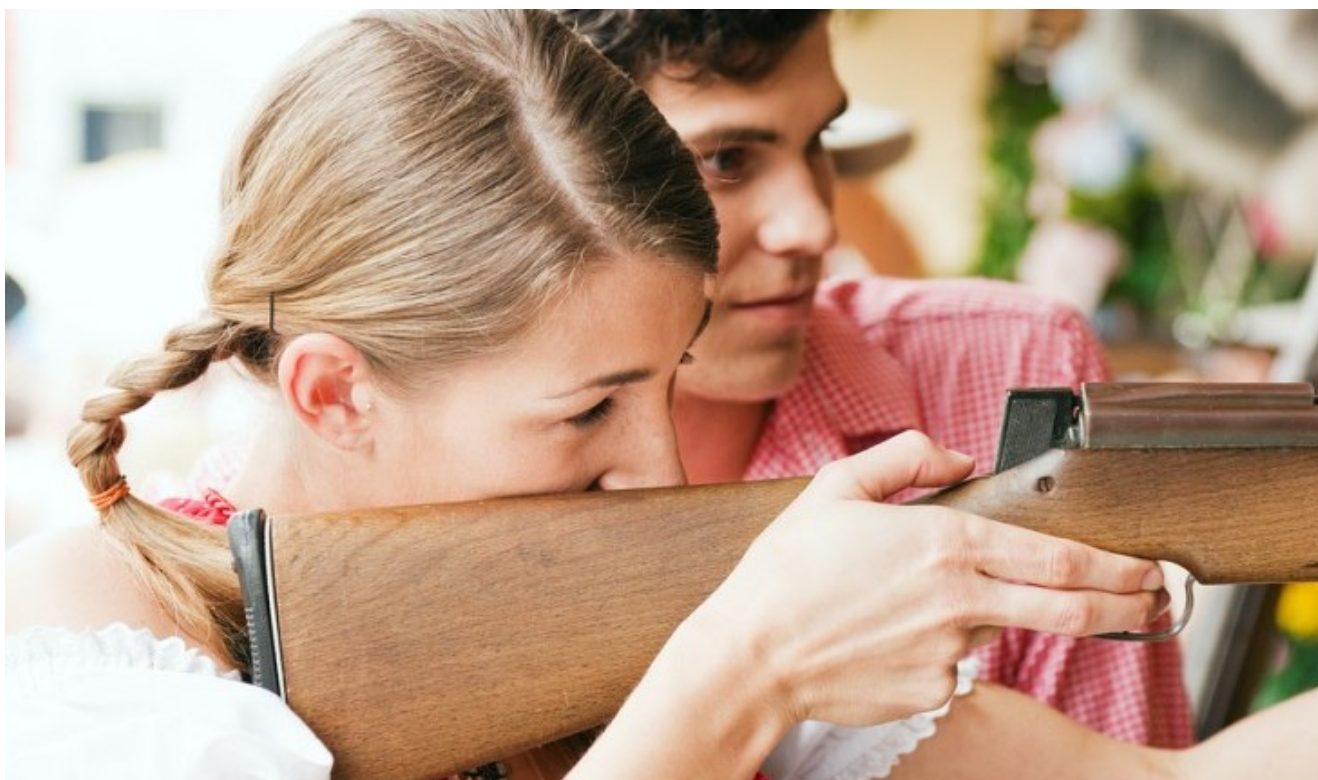
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If the weather (or your wallet) is not on your side, catch the big game on television. Head to a nearby sports bar and watch the game with other excited fans. For a more low-key night, get out the fuzzy blanket and cozy up with your love. Mute the TV during commercial breaks and let your love tell you more about the teams, players and sport in general. Cupid's [relationship advice](#): make your partner feel important and show

you care by listening to them rave about their favorite pastime!

How do you like to watch baseball with your love? Share in the comments below.

Date Idea: Play All Day



By [Rachel Sparks](#)

While summer daylight is still stretching into the late hours of evening, make sure your grasping onto every last minute of it. Enjoy the warm sunshine and cool afternoon breezes while you still can! Head outdoors to a nearby playground with your love interest; swing, slide, and play the day away. Don't

forget to stop by the ice cream truck to refuel! Who said you were too old for a day at the park?

This weekend [date idea](#) reignites the fun of childhood summer days!

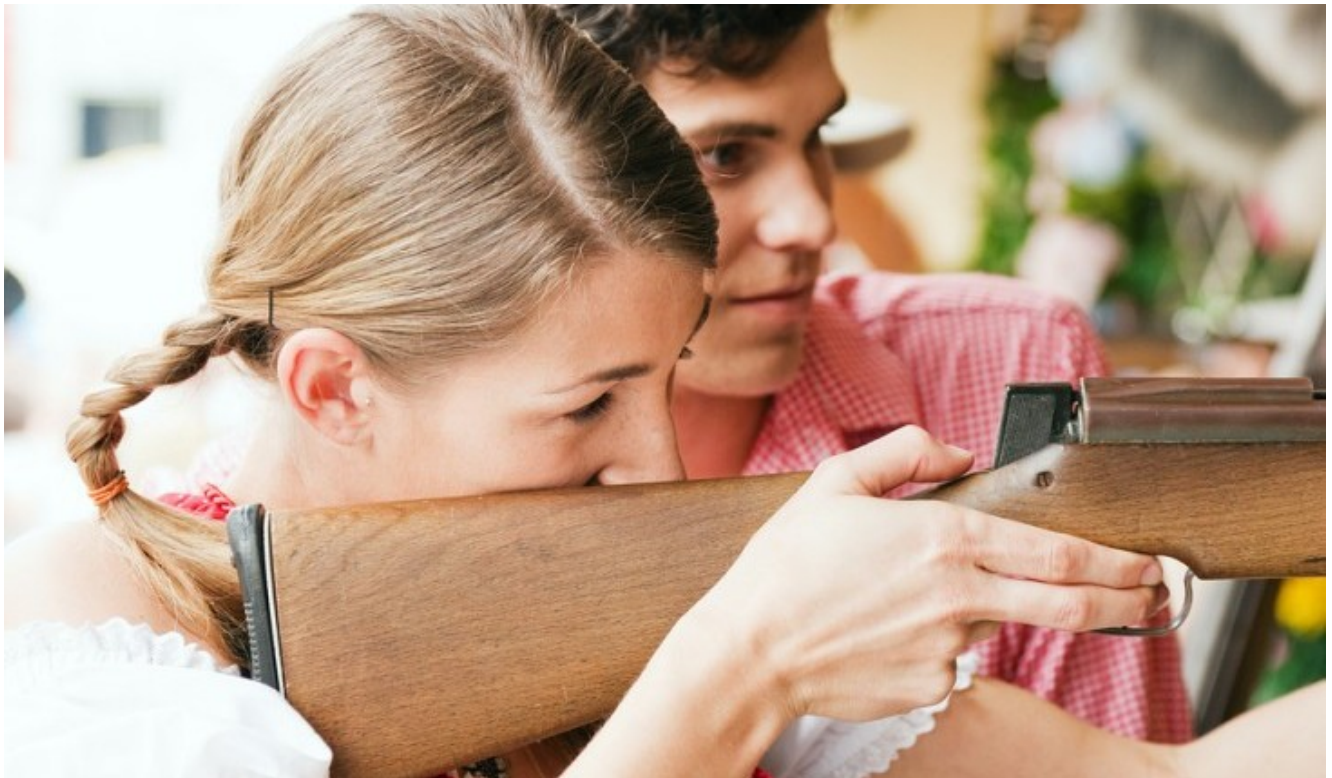
When you were young, going to the playground was the highlight of your day – and now, you get to relive the fun and share it with someone special. Take a trip down memory lane with your partner and show them where you used to play all of those silly games with your childhood friends. While you're there, race down the slide or swing on the swings together.

Get out your old baseball mitt and play some ball together. Have fun working up a sweat! Perfect your pitching and batting techniques while also getting close and cuddly. For a more free-spirited time, bring a Frisbee and fling it around with your love. Whatever you do, your love will appreciate the friendly competition and will be impressed by your athletic talents while you both are getting in some fun [fitness trends](#)!

If your park is close to a lake, bring some bread and feed the ducks. After visiting the ducks, grab your bikes and ride along a trail. No need to go too fast; let your partner lead the way and just enjoy the beautiful scenery. After your busy day outdoors, unwind a bit before heading home. Find a cozy bench and wrap your arms around each other. Enjoy a light conversation and the calming breeze as you watch the sunset for a romantic end to your [date night](#).

How do you and your partner feel like kids again? Share in the comments below.

Date Idea: All's Fair in Love



By [Rachel Sparks](#)

Keep yourself from getting the end-of-the-summer blues by adding a little love to your life. Bring your partner to a local fair and spend the day walking around together and checking out the nifty booths. Or try some new drinks together at a wine-testing festival. After all, nothing says romance better than a glass of wine a cool summer evening. Cupid's [date ideas](#) will keep you and your love busy all summer.

All is fair in love, so enjoy this end-of-summer date idea!

Looking to end the warm season with a little more excitement?

Go to an amusement park with your date and hop on a thrilling roller coaster ride. Get ready to scream together! Or find a water park in your area and take a ride down the lazy river—a great way to spend some peaceful alone time with your man. After venturing down a water slide, snuggle up for warmth with your love and utilize each other's body heat. Cupid's [love advice](#): this is a great time to be silent and just enjoy being with your partner.

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If you want a more low-key activity, let your boyfriend win you a prize at a local carnival. You'll certainly feel special while carrying a gigantic teddy bear around for the rest of the day. As you walk past the rides and games, hold hands and enjoy the cool breeze with one another. Challenge your partner to your favorite carnival game; a little competition is good for your relationship, right? Let loose a little: share a plate of fried dough and get messy together. Be sure to take a picture with your faces covered in powdered sugar—a fun moment to remember your wonderful [date night](#)!

Related Link: [Date Idea: Beach and Beyond](#)

What do you do with your love for a fun day together at the end of summer? Share your experiences below.

Date Idea: Beach and Beyond





By [Rachel Sparks](#)

You've been to the beach with your love about a hundred times this summer. It's time to look for new ways to enjoy the sun and sand. The days are long and the possibilities are endless. This weekend's [date idea](#) is all about trying new things in the sun!

This weekend's date idea is about fun in the sun together!

Search for beautiful shells and sand dollars in the sand. You'll have a great time showing off your finds to each other, and it'll help you break away from your usual routine of sunbathing and swimming. If you're feeling adventurous, look for crabs darting across the beach. Make a game out of it: if your partner finds more crabs than you, you have to cook him dinner for a romantic end to your [date night](#)!

Related Link: [Date Idea: Ignite Sparks While Camping](#)

If you really want to get serious about searching, bring a

metal detector with you and see what random items are buried on the beach. You and your love will get excited whenever that buzzer goes off. The thrill of the treasure hunt will get you both excited.

Once you're done exploring, get messy in the sand together. Dig a hole and bury each other. You'll both feel like kids again, and you'll love creating new laughs together. Build sand castles. Have a contest to see whose creation comes out the best. Bury your legs and make a mermaid tail. End with a beach photoshoot [Reese Witherspoon](#) or [Gwen Stefani](#)-family style!

Related Link: [Date Idea: Take a Journey](#)

If you like learning new things, look into your beach's history. Pick up a brochure or check out their website; maybe there's an area further down from your usual spot that you never knew existed. Sharing some knowledge will spark both your curiosities and will give you something new to discuss.

How do you mix things up at the beach with your man? Tell us in the comments below.

Date Idea: Build Your Love





By [Rachel Sparks](#)

What better way to build your love than to actually build something together? Grab some blankets and pillows for a temporary fort or wood and nails for something more permanent and start planning your creation with your partner. You'll both challenge your creativity skills, grow your team working skills, and also learn something new – both about building *and* about each other with this amazing [date idea](#)!

This weekend's date idea is all about building something together!

Revert back to your childhood days and make a fort together for a fun [date night](#)!. Get some blankets and create a tent in the living room. Have a playful pillow fight, cuddle up, and share funny stories from when you were younger. If the weather is sunny and warm, go outside and build your fort on the lawn. Let the cool evening breeze and cozy tent ease both of your minds. Be sure to bring a childhood snack like popcorn, pudding, or a bag of Twizzlers. No matter what, you'll connect

with your significant other in a fun and unique way.

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If you're looking for a bigger project to tackle, build a tree house together. A good amount of time will be needed to develop and execute your plan, and your teamwork skills will certainly be tested. Be prepared to get your hands a little dirty too! Once you're finished, you'll have a new space to enjoy with your love and build new memories in.

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Whether you're relaxing in your blanket fort or newly-built treehouse, what you do together after building is important. Our [relationship advice](#) means spending quality time together. Dig out your old board games and challenge your love to a competition. Break out a deck of cards and let your S.O. teach you how to put on a poker face. Bring a radio to your new hangout and play your favorite tunes. Watch fireflies, the clouds, or each other for the perfect ending to a busy day of building.

Have you ever built something with your love? Tell us in the comments below.

Date Idea: Bloom in the Sun





By [Rachel Sparks](#)

You've spent the whole summer with your partner at the beach, playing in the sun, splashing around in the ocean, enjoying trail mix and sunflower seeds together. If you're running out of [date ideas](#), Cupid's Pulse has them all. Have you ever given thought to where those sunflower seeds come from or how they grow? It's time to get back to the roots by creating your own love garden together. As the flowers grow, you'll be reminded of that [date night](#) when you first planted them. For fun, take bets on how long they will take to sprout.

Spend some quality time getting back to your roots with this summery date idea!

If neither of you have a green thumb, bring your man to a sunflower maze. To make things a bit more exciting, you can embrace your inner child and play hide-and-seek among the giant stems. Use both of these activities to bond with your

man while fitting a little exercise into your afternoon. By the time you leave the maze, you'll be ready for a cold glass of wine and a delicious picnic dinner.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Beat of the Music](#)

When you get home, look up a recipe for sunflower ice cream and whip some up before you sit down to a nice healthy meal. The ice cream will be a unique summer treat and may even become a tradition for you to make as a couple. It'll take about four hours to freeze, so be patient. Prepare some easy-to-make grilled chicken on the barbecue and pull together a tasty summer salad complete with cranberries and apples. Food always brings people closer together and cooking together can remind you of how much you love one another.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Climb Every Mountain](#)

Sunflower season is one of the hidden treasures of summer. Make sure that you take advantage of this beautiful time of year!

Have you ever planted your own garden or visited a sunflower maze? Share your experiences in the comments below.

Date Idea: Take the Stage Together





By [Rachel Sparks](#)

This weekend, share the spotlight with your partner by performing on stage with one another. If you and your sweetheart have watched plays, comedy shows, and concerts and have always fantasized about acting or being up on stage, creating your own will make for a fun [date night](#)!

Cupid's weekend [date idea](#) will get you and your partner on stage!

Search your local newspaper for opportunities. Most papers have an "entertainment" section that includes workshops, auditions, and open mic nights. Pick one that looks fun and spend the weekend acting out another character or enjoying the applause together.

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Start your date in a class or workshop. Practice playing different characters, like a quarreling couple or a meddlesome duo. For something different, check out a comedy class. You'll

learn to be comfortable with your body and your surroundings and find humor in every situation.

Take the skills you learned and audition for a show. Your significant other can be your partner in a play or dance audition. He can even be your target during a stand-up audition.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Make Your Own Memorial](#)

Are you not the performing type? Try hitting up the karaoke bar instead. You can spend the night sipping on cocktails while you randomly select songs for each other to sing. Or you can have an entirely duet-based night, choosing songs meant for two like “Endless Love,” “I Got You Babe,” “Under Pressure” or “You’re the One that I Want.”

No matter what you decide, make sure you and your partner are putting on a show together. The excitement of performing will be a memory you’ll carry with you.

Have a good performing date idea? Tell us in the comments.

Date Idea: List Your Love





By [Rachel Sparks](#)

We all express love in different ways. Sometimes, just being in the same room doing different things is all your partner needs to feel connected. There are times, though, that we may want to do a little extra in order to express our love. Writing out a list of all the things you love about your partner is a romantic [date idea](#)!

Reconnect with your partner with this romantic date idea!

1. Find a cozy environment: Cuddle up next to one another to set the mood. Plan a picnic outside if the weather is nice or stay in during the winter, bundled under a blanket. Make sure to set the mood with candles, music, and a bottle of wine.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Plan a Picnic with Your Love](#)

2. List the physical: Are there things you physically love about each other? Does your heart flutter whenever your partner opens his eyes in the morning? Are you obsessed with

his beard or the way her hair curls at the nape of her neck? By jotting down these things you notice about each other, you'll give one another a boost of confidence and strengthen the physical bond you share.

3. List the abstract: What quirks does your sweetheart have that make your day? Is their passion for work inspiring to you? Do they have an annoying habit that actually makes you smile, like talking to themselves or singing in the shower? Pick the small, obscure attributes that you've never talked about before and let them know that you accept them unconditionally.

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4. List your relationship: Write down the things about your relationship that make you the happiest. Recite your favorite traditions: weekly date nights, pre-sleep cuddles or post-work wind-down sessions. Choose your commonalities and why they make you such a strong couple. Do you share a favorite movie? Explain why quoting it on a daily basis makes your relationship better. Do you both have type-A personalities? Tell your S.O. how you think your similarities and differences make you stronger together. Write down how you've grown from each other.

5. Share your list: Whether you go out for dinner for a romantic [date night](#), stay in and watch a movie, or plan a [romantic getaway](#), sharing these lists with each other will boost confidence, strengthen bonds, and reignite passion.

How do you tell your partner that you love him or her? Share your story below!

Date Idea: Get Woodsy



By [Rachel Sparks](#)

You've spent all summer trying to get fit with your partner. Maybe you've been talking about it and haven't made any progress with the gym, so you want to stay active in other ways. This weekend, you and your sweetheart can find a fun way to exercise and still have a fun and memorable date. Get woodsy with your love on a calming nature walk for a fun and fit [date idea](#)!

Date Idea: Get Fit & Get Out on a Woodsy Nature Walk

Head to your closest state or national park for a day of

hiking. Bring all the essentials for this outdoorsy date: water bottle, boots or sturdy sneakers, bug spray, sunscreen, a bag you can use for garbage, hiking snacks like Clif Bars, trail mix, or dried fruit, and, of course, a camera to capture your day. Some good just-in-case items to bring include a compass, matches or a lighter, a first-aid kit, a whistle, a flashlight, a rain jacket, and plastic bags to protect your things from getting wet.

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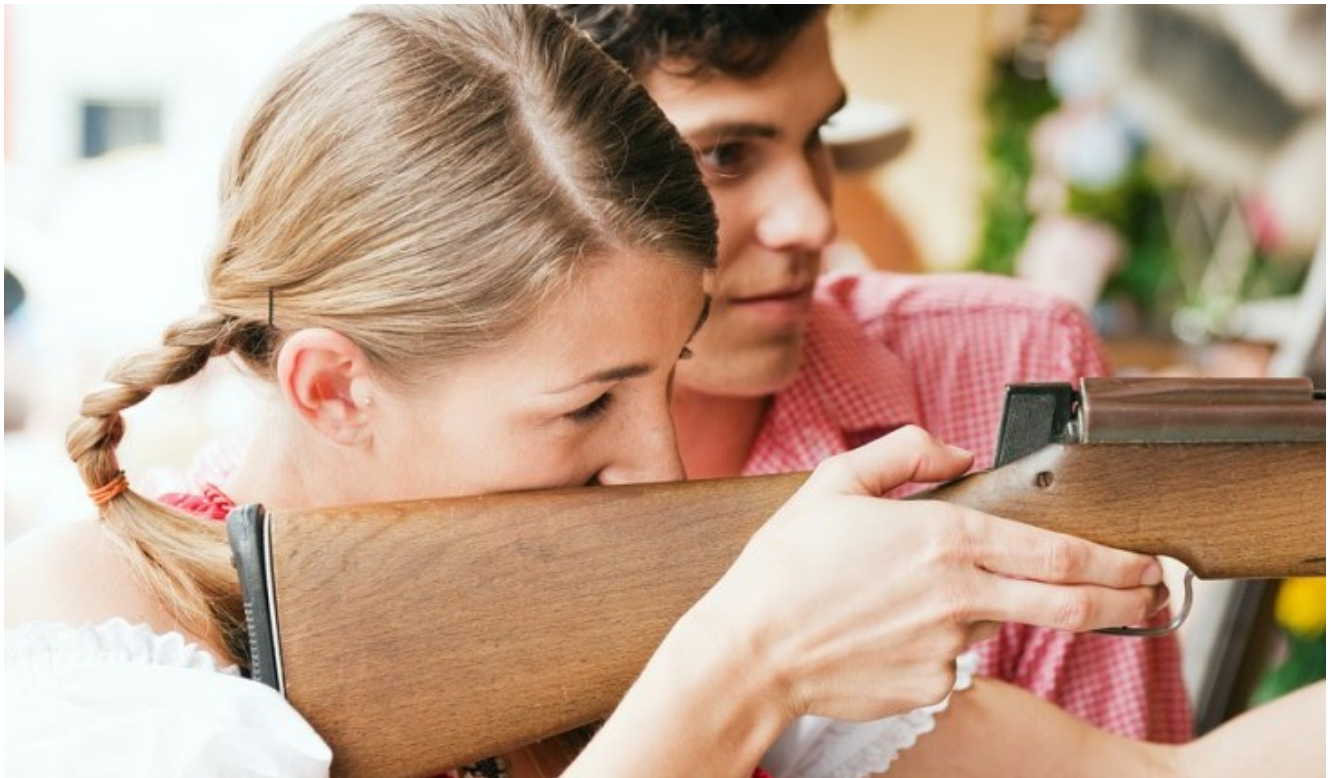
Don't forget to pack a lunch! Try packing a (light) picnic for you and your significant other. Include finger foods like sandwiches, grapes, berries, and chips. Just make sure it won't go bad being left in a backpack all day. You can also include a "sample-size" bottle of red wine (the kind you find at a wine tasting) for a [romantic getaway](#) just for the afternoon. When the two of you get to the top of the mountain, or any clearing you deem appropriate for a picnic, take the time to rest and appreciate each other and the beautiful scenery around you.

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During your picnic, take out the camera and have some fun. Try to get some candid shots of your sweetheart stuffing their face or ask a passerby to take some photos of the two of you. Explore the area nearby without wandering too far off the path. Can you get some good nature shots? Make a photography scavenger hunt.

Have you and your date gone on a hike together? What are some ways you've made it fun and romantic? Share your tips below!

Date Idea: Wine and Dine



By Sarah Ribeiro & [Melissa Lee](#)

Summer is just starting, and you and your sweetheart need to get ready for the new season. This weekend, go on a wine-tasting adventure to embrace the fresh warm weather. You and your love can find a new favorite wine while exploring a beautiful vineyard nearby.

If you're looking for a romantic way to have some fun, this weekend date idea is ideal for you and your

Love.

First, you and your sweetheart need to decide which wines you will be trying this weekend. Narrow down your wine preferences to a specific kind of wine you want to taste. Do you only like reds? Limit the weekend to cabernets, merlots and pinot noirs. Or spend the weekend comparing whites and reds. A “pinot-only” date will allow you to taste different pinot noirs and pinot gris that are made in your area.

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Next, search online for wineries or vineyards in the area that offer the wines you’ve picked and plan to travel to a couple of them throughout the day. You and your partner can even arrange a town car or limo to drive you around, so you don’t have to worry about limiting how much you drink. Plus, it’ll give you a sense of luxury and a chance to cuddle up on the ride.

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At the vineyard, it’s important to keep sharing opinions with your significant other. You can pick a wine that the two of you are crazy about and buy two bottles to take home with you. The first bottle can be shared that night, and you can reserve the second for a future anniversary or romantic date.

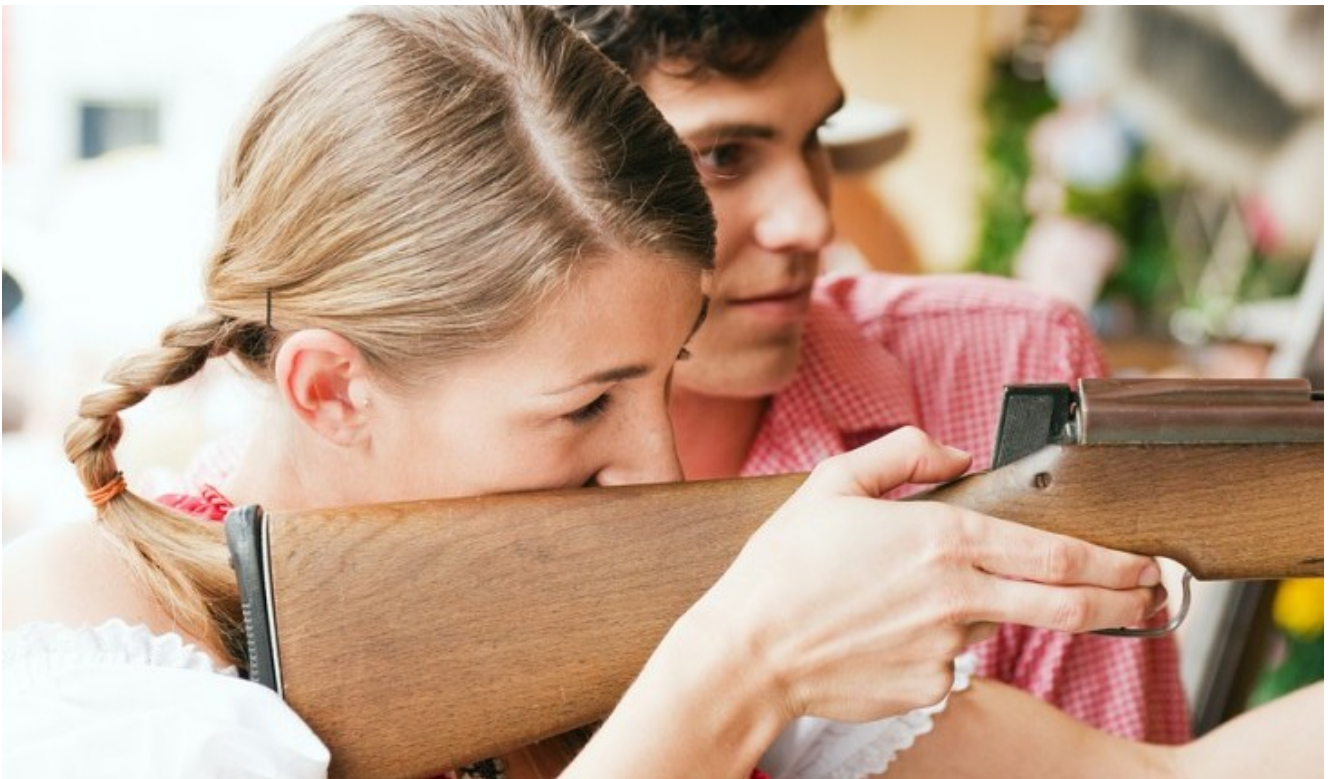
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After the wine-tasting fun is done, head back to your place and enjoy a romantic meal together. Skip out on the cooking for the night and indulge in a take-out meal from a nearby Italian restaurant. Make sure your wine suits your meal by using a wine pairing chart. The rule of thumb here is that darker meats belong with darker wines and lighter meats stick with lighter wines. You can even try a wine-based dessert, like a strawberry and wine sorbet, that will cleanse your

palate and provide the perfect ending to a perfect day.

Have any great wine-based date ideas? Share them in the comments below.

Date Idea: Make Your Love a Masterpiece



By [Sarah Ribeiro](#) & [Melissa Lee](#)

Get creative with your love this weekend: paint, sculpt, or throw some pottery and feel like an artist for the day. Make something with your sweetheart that the two of you will proud to show off to your family and friends. Try this unique date

to tap into your inner creative genius and create a work of art that you and your love can keep as a memento of your time together.

If you're looking to get in touch with your creative side, this weekend date idea is perfect for you and your partner!

First, pack up a picnic basket loaded with your favorite foods. Include finger foods that you can feed to each other, like berries, veggies or pretzels, as well as your honey's favorite meal. Bring a bottle of wine and two glasses as well, then head up to the most scenic spot in your area. Scope out a high hill, a look-out point or a state or national park. Enjoy the sounds of nature around you or bring your iPod with you to play a soothing painting playlist. Examples of great relaxing music to spark creativity include Yanni, Pearl Jam, Pink Floyd, Adele, Animal Collective or classical and instrumental music.

Related Link: [Weekend Date Idea: Get Crafty](#)

After you and your love have a romantic sunset picnic, set up an easel (or two) and try your hand at painting. Choose between painting your sweetheart or the landscape around you. Don't be afraid to experiment with color and style. Be silly with one another – you can even try painting a caricature! You don't have to be a great artist to enjoy being creative. Painting is a great way to unwind and relax on a quiet night with your love.

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Another way to get artsy is to head to your local art supply store or studio and register for a class. Most studio-based

art classes offer deals for couples who register for classes, sometimes providing Date Night specials which include complimentary champagne. Pick something you and your partner have never done before: shops like Color Me Mine let you paint your own ceramics, or you can try making ceramics yourself. Glassblowing is also becoming incredibly popular and is showing up in more studios. Plus, you'll get a professional product that you and your sweetheart can take home with you.

Have an idea for a crafty date? Share it in the comments below.

Date Idea: Listen to the Music





By [Sarah Ribeiro](#) & [Melissa Lee](#)

It's almost June, which means it's time to start doing summer activities. This weekend, start the new season off right by spending some time at outdoor performances with your love.

If you and your sweetheart are huge music fans, this weekend date idea might be perfect for you two!

Some of the most popular summer activities are outdoor fairs, concerts and music festivals. Not only are they fun, but they can be incredibly romantic too. Look up your local symphony orchestra; most of them hold open practices in the early summer, where you and your sweetheart can wrap yourselves in a blanket at the park and listen to classical music under the stars. For a more private experience, you and your love can stay in the parking lot, canoodling in the back seat of the car, high-school style, while you listen through the open windows.

Related Link: [Weekend Date Idea: Karaoke Night](#)

Check your newspaper and community bulletin board to find more local outdoor concerts or music festivals where you can cuddle with your sweetheart. You can try something new, like a bluegrass festival: Bluegrasser has a database of national bluegrass events where you and your beau can get country. Most bluegrass festivals even feature farmer's markets, where you can buy local produce and other goods like handwoven blankets and handmade jewelry. Or check out a jazz festival, where you and your love can spend the day dancing in each other's arms, filling up on goodies from food vendors and exposing yourselves to rising musicians.

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If you're more of an active couple, you can check out a bigger-scale music festival. Larger festivals are typically three days long, with tens to hundreds of mainstream acts playing on multiple stages. Some festivals that are traditionally held in late May and early June are Electric Daisy Carnival in New York, Sasquatch! Festival in George, Washington, and Bonnaroo in Manchester, Tennessee. In past years, these three festivals have featured acts such as Fatboy Slim, Avicii, Jack White, Bon Iver, Radiohead and Red Hot Chili Peppers. Find a festival that best suits you and your sweetheart's music tastes and plan a road trip with them. Spend the entire weekend listening to your favorite musicians, dancing and falling even more in love.

What are some of your favorite musical dates? Share with us below.