

Date Idea: Redecorate



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It may sound cliché, but decorating your home with your love is a great way to bond. Even if you don't live together yet, you can have fun fantasizing about what your place will be like when you do move in together.

Start with the room that the two of you spend the most time in. Maybe it's the living room where you have *Dexter* marathons together, the bedroom where you like to hide out on lazy Sundays, or the kitchen when you're sharing a bottle of wine and catching up on the day's events. Discuss what you both enjoy about the room in the current conditions and what you would both like to change. Feel free to turn to magazines and Pinterest to get some ideas flowing!

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Once you and your partner decide what changes you're looking to make – whether it's simple decorations to the walls or a new piece of furniture – get out there and start looking around. While online shopping seems easy, you'll have a much better time actually getting to see the artwork or coffee tables in person.

If you're just looking to add a few decorations, antique shops are great places to find unique items that will spice up your place. These purchases often make great conversation starters as well. You may even find something, like a coffee table or an outdated couch, that needs refurbishing – a project that you can tackle together!

Redecorating doesn't require spending a ton of money. Try something fun and different like going to a garage sale in your area. Look out for listings in your local paper on the weekends. It's amazing what treasures you may find when you step into someone else's past. Even if you walk away with a single picture frame, the two of you will have fun rifling through the sales. You may even find items that spark some great memories, so you can learn more about each other at the same time.

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If you don't live together yet, you can make your significant other feel special by letting them have some input on changing up your pad. Maybe you're in the market for some new living room furniture, and who better to shop with than the person that snuggles with you on the couch? Including your partner will tell them that their opinion is important and worthy of a long-term investment.

You may not agree on everything, but keep in mind that you're doing this as a team and there will have to be compromises. No

matter what, don't forget to have fun!

Cupids wants to know: Have you ever redecorated your home with your beau? Tell us in the comments below!