

# Date Idea: Plan a Picnic with Your Love



By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

There aren't going to be many more days of nice weather for lovers this year. The days are growing shorter and colder, but it's not too late to take advantage of a fine fall day for one last date.

**The perfect way to close out the season together before you start snuggling up fireside is to take a**

# picnic date. It's simple, quality fun with the person you love!

Picnics are a fairly easy date to plan and execute, so it's the little touches that make the difference. Don't bring your food in a tote bag: use a real basket, and bring a gingham blanket while you're at it. Go all out! And to further create the ambiance, make a playlist on your iPod with relaxing, but upbeat tunes. Think John Mayer, Goo Goo Dolls or Colbie Caillat.

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When it comes to food, the simpler the better. Wine or sparkling water are good bets for drinks, and finger foods are always a fun addition. Silverware can be cumbersome, so stick to fresh fruits, cheeses and the like. Hit up a local deli beforehand for good deals on side dishes and desserts! There are also easy recipes for everything from bruschetta to spinach artichoke dip. Anything that you can feed to each other makes the afternoon more fun and interactive.

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What's great about a picnic is that it can even be done in your own backyard! So long as you make some time away from everyday life to have quality time together as fall comes to a close, that's all that matters. In the Santa Monica area? Check out TravelFusion for picnic ideas at Santa Monica Beach or Santa Monica Park along Ocean Avenue for some scenic picnic spots.

**Have a favorite picnic food? Comment below and share with our other readers.**

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# Date Idea: Fall in Love in New York



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With New York Fashion Week drawing to a close, the throngs of people that flocked to the daily theatre of the Big Apple are now returning to their everyday lives across the globe. But no one can ever quite forget a New York experience, especially when it involves love.

**So this weekend, make your [date night](#) NYC-themed, and embrace all the amor even an American icon has to offer.**

Central Park is a hot spot for new lovers to snuggle, picnic, play sports, and take their love public. If you don't live in New York, there may not be a big park in your neighborhood. So hitting a local or national park with "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" will bring you right back to your big city days.

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Another easy way to play the role of "New Yorker" is to eat like one! There are many classic NYC eats to try from their famous hot dogs to decadent NY cheesecake. Look up a restaurant in your area that specializes in one of these, and head there after a play! Not every town has Broadway, but a lot of plays are tested out in other metropolitan areas before they hit the Big Apple.

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In the Phoenix area? You can truly visit New York City without leaving your neighborhood by hitting up the local "Big Apple Restaurant" for a treat.

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# Date Idea: Ignite Sparks While Camping



By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

You've undoubtedly heard of camping in the woods with a tent, campfire and roasted hot dogs. It's time to take the weekend off to enjoy a camp called "Love". Feeling like you and your partner never have time away from everyday distractions? Don't stress – Cupid's got you covered.

**This weekend, take a load off and get a babysitter for the kids.**

**Cupid has some date ideas to make both staying in and enjoying nature seem like the best ideas you've ever had.**

Slumber party! Light some candles, dim the lights, and pop in your favorite movie from back in the day. Snuggle up on the couch with your beau and piles of blankets. Relive *The Breakfast Club* from start to finish and chuckle at the memories it leaves you with.

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If you live in the NYC area, book a campground outside the city for some time away from the over-bearing lights and intrusive car horns. Black Bear Campground is a great option! Take a romantic stroll on a nature trail or lounge in front of the campfire as the warm glow illuminates your faces. Look up at the sky. The stars that you almost forgot existed are finally sparkling above you.

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Not a fan of the woods? Book a room in a nice hotel for the weekend. Get a couples' massage and take a steamy dip in the hot tub together! Check out *Time Out New York's* weekend getaway travel suggestions and stay in the Hampton's for a change of pace.

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# Date Idea: Take a Journey



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Even though summer vacation has come and gone, there's no reason to fall into a rut for the weekends to come. One great way to get to know that new special someone, or even escape with an old love, is to hit the open road.

**Leave the fast-paced life of weekday work and head out on a driving trip this weekend.**

There are plenty of scenic routes to be taken anywhere in the US, even if you only want a short drive! Rent a convertible and drive with the top down through a beautiful area right

around home. You can even book a room at a Bed & Breakfast if you want to take the longer road less traveled by.

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If you're more into looking for an adventure, hit the highway and try to visit as many "World's Largest" destinations in the surrounding states as possible. Nothing says romance like a cute picture in front of the world's largest Corn Palace! The fact is driving trips, near or far, are great bonding experiences that often lead to some great stories down the line.

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In the San Francisco area? Check out the movies in Redwood Road through the East Bay Hills for some breathtaking views.

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## **Date Idea: Fall into Love This Autumn**







By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Fall is creeping upon us! While that means shorter days and lower temperatures, it also means that nature's most vibrant show is about to begin. Fall showcases the change of leaves from rich, summer green to all the reds, yellows, and oranges of autumn.

**It's the perfect time to take a walk with that special someone, or even pack up and take a weekend away with nature. So get out there and enjoy the show with this date idea!**

For a simple [date idea](#), pack a picnic lunch and head to an arboretum or your closest national park. Often times these parks have events surrounding the coming of fall. Even without

these festivities, parks are a great place to relax with a loved one.

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For those more fully invested in the outdoor experience, there are foliage tours all over the country, particularly in New England! If you're looking for a romantic weekend vacation, there's no better place than under the blanket of beautiful fall colors. There are also bird watching tours that you can take in addition to, or alongside, the foliage tours!

**If you're a lover of fall and didn't see your favorite fall activity above, comment below and tell our readers about it!**

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## **Date Idea: Take Love Lessons from School**





By [Noelle Downey](#)

School's almost in session, folks – it's time to brush up on your romantic education, too! You can have some [date nights](#) that your favorite teacher from grade school would be proud of, and that you'll have a blast on as well. Cupid's got you covered from A to Z!

**Take a tip from your school lessons with these fun weekend date ideas that will make studying a distant memory and love the first item on the assignment sheet!**

**1. Go Apple Picking:** Looking for an apple so you can butter up your teacher? Do some apple picking! It's a fun and inexpensive way to get outdoors and walk home with a sweet treat... and maybe even snag a kiss amongst the apple branches.

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**2. Cheer at a High School Football Game:** If sports are more your thing, head to a local high school football game. Get some buddies together and tailgate like it's the pros, and then head to the field to cheer on your true home team. After all, some high school games are an even bigger deal than the NFL, especially in small towns!

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**3. Read Something New Together:** The best way to brush up on your school skills is to simply pick up a book. Join a co-ed book group, or make a date to read together in the park. Pack a picnic lunch and read on the grass.

**Have a school days date idea of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Hit the books!**

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## **Date Idea: Get Fit Together**





By [Noelle Downey](#)

August is one of the hottest months in the US. Don't let the heat keep you in a sluggish mood: get up and go out! One of the best ways to stay fit is with your partner sweating next to you. In addition to being important to your health, staying in shape is a great way to bond with your loved one.

**Ready to get fit and flirty this summer? Check out three great [weekend date ideas](#) when it comes to getting toned and tanned with your significant other this season!**

**1. Turn gym day into a date night:** One easy way to work out together is to join a gym. Some places may offer discounted rates if you sign up together. Pick cardio machines next to each other. When you move on to strength training, take turns doing reps. Having someone there to spot you and watch your

form can help you exercise more safely than doing it alone.

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**2. Take a fitness class together:** Another way to get active is to take a class, either at the gym, or at a local hot spot. While activities like salsa classes are perfect for couples, try something you'll both be interested in, like martial arts, indoor-rock climbing, adult swimming, or other sports.

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**3. Stroll your way to success:** Want a free way to stay fit? Welcome the morning with a walk around the neighborhood, or go for jog. Bring your dog for extra fun! After all, exercising together is a great way to spend quality time. Catch up with your partner, especially if the two of you spend a lot of time apart during the week because of work, school, and other responsibilities. Who's a better supporter than your partner or spouse?

To get the ball rolling, visit LifeMojo for inspiration, motivational tips, and learn about the benefits of working out together.

**Have a fitness routine of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Stay cool, and enjoy your weekend!**

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## **Date Idea: Get Your Game On!**





By [Noelle Downey](#)

Summer days are meant to be spent outside, but cooler [date nights](#) can be spent inside, or out on the patio. The games don't have to stop once the sun goes down. Get your friends together and enjoy a game night – after all, there's nothing like Twister to get to know someone new.

**Ready for a competitive date night with your favorite friends and cute crush this summer? Below are the three steps you'll need to take your game night party from lame to fame!**

**1. Set the Mood:** The key to a successful game night is to set the mood. It should be light and fun, so keep the party area colorful and well-lit. An easy indoor fix is to throw some confetti on the tables and add balloons. For outdoors,

Christmas lights and tiki torches add to the atmosphere. Check out stores like Party City for deals.

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**2. Serve Fantastic Food:** For grub, think fun finger foods and fruity drinks. Walking tacos are easy to make for a group, and allow people to interact while they cook and eat. Plus, no one can resist a good taco! Ask single friends bring a platonic date; everyone can gather in the kitchen to heat things up before the games begin.

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**3. Pick Great Games:** Pick games that require human contact to catch the eye – or elbow – of that special someone. Twister is an old favorite, but even games like musical chairs and Sardines allow everyone to snuggle up while still getting competitive. It's the ultimate get-to-know-you weekend date idea, all created by you.

**Have a game night activity of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Let the games begin!**

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## **Date Idea: Include the Pooch in Your Plans**







By [Noelle Downey](#)

With August approaching, and the weather still heating up, we're all finding ourselves in the magical dog days of summer. Why not spend *your* dog days (and [date nights!](#)) with man's – and woman's – best friend? Cute puppies are the ultimate chick magnet for guys, and the perfect cuddle-buddy for girls. Find a friend with a pup, or head out with your own four-legged friend for a good time this summer.

**Enjoy some fun in the sun with your favorite furry friend this summer and you'll have a great jumping off point for making conversation with other dog lovers and potential summer flings! Here are some great**

# places to go for some pet-friendly fun this season!

**1. Dog park:** Embrace the outdoors and get some exercise by taking the pooch out to a dog park. Go on a walk with friends and see if you can pick up the hottie with the Labrador you passed on the trail.

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**2. Baseball diamond:** For a more formal park experience, lots of major league baseball parks have “Dog Days,” where owners can sit in special sections with their pooches. It’s a fun way to meet other dog lovers, and a great place to watch the game, too.

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**3. Wine tasting:** Other places to find canine events are local park districts, public libraries, and even wineries. Mutts Lynch Winery in Healdsburg, California has a whole “Dog Days of Summer” event.

None of these ideas making your doggy friend’s tail wag? To plan your own “Dog Day” event at work or at home, check out OneCoast for tips and tricks that even an old dog could learn.

**Have a favorite doggie activity of your own? Comment below, and share with our other readers. Stay cool, and enjoy your weekend!**

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# Date Idea: Cuddle Up in the Dark



By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Need a fun [date idea](#) for this weekend? Cupid's got you covered! With the summer on the rise, evening dates are looking more and more tempting.

**Get out into the cool and sultry night and check out what's sizzling in your area for the perfect**

## summer [date night!](#)

Many popular museums have special events going on in the evenings. The American Museum of Natural History in New York City hosts Evening Bat Walks on select Friday and Saturday nights. You can also check out local aquariums and marine centers for your special night! Visit [List of Public Aquariums](#) from FishChannel.com to find one near you.

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Another great nighttime idea is stargazing. Live in the city? Not a problem. All those bright lights may make it difficult to see the night stars, but it's not impossible! The Amateur Astronomer's Association of New York leads stargazing ventures every week. Search 'amateur astronomers association' on Google to find one in your city and take a tour.

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If you live around Los Angeles and are into the pop culture scene, now is the perfect time to head to one of the city's famous venues! Live Nation holds tons of concerts in LA and the surrounding area, featuring artists like Justin Bieber, Rihanna, Keith Urban, and more. Don't live in Los Angeles? You can find a live concert or play near you with a little research at [ticketmaster.com](#).

**Have a romantic night spot you want to recommend? Comment below and share it with our other readers.**

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# Date Idea: Shop 'Til You Drop



By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

If you're looking for new [date ideas](#), check out the mall! While the mall may not be the first place you'd go to find a potential mate, your favorite store can be a good place to meet new people.

**With summer sales going on across the country, there's no better time to head to the mall to check out the low prices and local hotties:**

For 20-somethings, check out stores like Buckle and Hollister,

which have sales associates of both sexes. The cutie helping you find your size could be your next best-dressed date! Here's a quick tip to get started: say you're shopping for a family member of the opposite sex. It's an opportunity to give them compliments, as well as check out their style.

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To find someone who shares your interests, specialty stores are the place to go. Into hunting, fishing or other outdoor activities? Check out places like Bass Pro Shop. If music is your thing, go to the nearest Best Buy or a local vinyl store! Whether it's the person behind the counter, or someone shopping the rack next to you, there's an easy opening for starting a conversation that could continue over coffee... or maybe even a [date night](#)!

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Other great places to look are hole-in-the-wall boutiques. The atmosphere is personal, and you can be certain the people who shop there are from your area.

Want to hit up the Anniversary Sale to do some shopping for love? Visit Nordstrom's website to find the store nearest you.

**Have a romantic shopping story of your own? Comment below, and share with our readers.**

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# Weekend



By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Need a fun [date idea](#) for Memorial Day weekend? Cupid's got you covered! While everyone's celebrating the best of May with friends and family, there are still plenty of places for you and your boo to couple up. And even if you're single...

**Memorial Day weekend is full of gatherings and festivities that make it easy to have fun with friends and find sparks with**

## someone new:

This time of year is a great to catch the very beginning of summer movies. This year the buzz is centered around *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales*. But hey, there's no reason to stay inside when the weather is so nice! Grab a blanket and head to see a movie in the park or at a drive in for the perfect [date night](#).

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It goes without saying that the weekend is also full of barbecues and parties, and while a family gathering might not be the best place to find a mate, hosting your own festivities could be just the way to do it! Food (and especially drinks) *always* make for a good time. Want some [love advice](#)? Invite other singles over and ask everyone to bring a platonic date and set off your own fireworks for finding love.

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In the Chicagoland area? Check out the *Movies in the Park* series at the city parks.

**What are you doing to celebrate the weekend? Comment below and share with our other readers.**

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# Celebrity Couple Kelly Ripa & Mark Consuelos Celebrate 21st



# Wedding Anniversary



By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

In [celebrity news](#), power couple [Kelly Ripa](#) and Mark Consuelos celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary this past Monday. Not only did the talk show host celebrate her anniversary with her handsome hubby on May 1st, Ripa also announced the long-awaited news that Ryan Seacrest would take place as her new *Live* cohost! According to [UsMagazine.com](#), the [celebrity couple](#) both took to Instagram gushing over their decades old love with multiple pictures of the two. Ripa posted her slideshow with the caption, "21 years of lit-ness. (sorry Lola)," seemingly apologizing to her teenage daughter for her use of "lit" in an Instagram post. Ripa and Consuelos met in 1995 after costarring on the ABC soap opera *All My Children* and had their [celebrity wedding](#) only a year later. Congratulations to the happy couple!

# This celebrity couple is still going strong! What are some special ways to celebrate your anniversary?

## Cupid's Advice:

Anniversaries call for celebration! But, are you sick of partaking in all of the anniversary clichés? Cupid's here to give you brand new ideas on how to wow your spouse on your special day with the latest [love advice](#):

**1. Go on a vacation:** You both deserve to go all out every once in a while, and celebrating your anniversary is a great way to do it! Take a week (or even a long weekend) by indulging in a vacation of your choice. Whether it be relaxing by the ocean or snuggling next to a fire in the mountains, celebrate your anniversary by getting away with your love!

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**2. Stay in bed all day:** The two of you are most likely constantly on the move with work and the kids and having a social life... maybe the best way to spend your anniversary is by doing nothing at all. Snuggle with your love, split a bottle of champagne, and enjoy your meals in bed. Nothing is more intimate than enjoying your anniversary between the sheets!

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**3. Do something you've never done before:** I'm sure each anniversary is filled with your favorite restaurants, your favorite cities, etc. Spice up your anniversary by doing something you've never done before! Plan a day that revolves around everything new and it's bound to be a day you'll never

forget.

Have you and your boo celebrated multiple anniversaries? Comment below and tell us some special ways you celebrate!

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## Date Idea: Cheer on a National Sports Team



By [Noelle Downey](#)

Need help trying to figure out what to do for [date night](#) every weekend? Don't worry – Cupid's got you covered. Sports are always a great way to bond with your partner, and Cupid has some ideas on what you can do to keep yourself occupied.

Single? Go with a friend, and maybe you'll snag a cute sports buff to go on future dates with!

## **Are you ready to get sporty on your summer date nights this year? These date ideas will have you cheering!**

Baseball season is just heating up, and everyone loves a good American pastime. Check out MLB.com or StubHub for tickets, or spend happy hour at your local sports bar – or any bar for that matter. A game is always on somewhere.

Think baseball is boring? Maybe the NBA Finals are more your style. With the season coming to a close, and the Boston Celtics tying the match in last night's Game 4, everyone will be paying attention to see who comes out on top. While you may not be a fan of either the Celtics or the LA Lakers, everyone loves a finals match. The next game isn't until Sunday, so in the meantime, challenge your date to a one-on-one match at the local basketball court.

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Basketball and baseball still not your favorites when it comes to watching sports? Why not get ready to cheer for the World Cup Tournament in soccer on June 17th? Make it an event with snacks and a party-like atmosphere when they make their first goal for some added fun! Don't know anything about soccer? Check out *Time Out New York's* World Cup Guide.

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**Have sports date ideas of your own? Got a recommendation for a great sport to watch as a couple? Comment below and share with other readers! Enjoy your weekend!**

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# Relationship Advice: Can Humor Go Too Far?



By Dr. Jane Greer

Caustic comedian Don Rickles has recently [passed away](#). His true talent was in his ability to insult his audience and have them join in and laugh with him, rather than feeling laughed at by him. He had no qualms about going for people's vulnerabilities, whether they were short, bald, late, whatever it might be. His shows centered around those derisive comments about people's looks, their spouses, their jobs, their ethnicity – anything he could find to insult. He went right for the Achilles heel when targeting someone. Nothing was

sacred, nothing was off limits. While so many fans were able to enjoy this unique brand of humor, others saw him as mean spirited and potentially hurtful. There is no question that he had his own style and people either loved him or hated him.

## **This raises the question of what crosses the line in trying to be funny. How far is too far? Here's some relationship advice.**

Many people act like Rickles and will use humor to say something "in jest" that they think is funny or maybe even as a way to express a true issue that is bothering them. How many times are you angry with your partner or spouse and say something mean spirited or devaluing? Often the disparaging thing is said in a joking manner, and is shared only when one or the other feels annoyed. When they are called out on it, they might say, "I was just kidding! Can't you take a joke?" While it might have been meant to be light, comments like that can often feel stunning and cause the other partner pain.

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Rickles worked long and hard to develop his style and craft to be able to push the boundaries and get away with truth under the banner of humor. In a relationship, however, whether it be a spouse, girlfriend or boyfriend, sister or a friend, if you think you are being funny and they aren't laughing then you might have gone too far. It's crucial to be aware of when your partner is actually upset or offended by a "joke" you made. If that happens, apologize. Always be open to communicating that you weren't looking to be hurtful, and if it still isn't coming across as funny, consider re-evaluating your choice of "humorous" comments. At the same time, think about what motivated your comment, are you actually upset about something

that needs to be discussed directly with your partner? Along those lines, if you are the recipient of the “joke” it is worth considering if there is some underlying annoyance or negative feeling your partner has toward you that is moving him or her to say these things. Either way, it would be good to have a conversation to check out if there is something under the surface that is going on that needs to be dealt with. When one of those comments is lobbed around your house, if it is unwelcome and unappreciated, seize the opportunity to work through whatever might be fueling it.

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Rickles was good at giving you the punch and the pain killer at the same time. If you went to his show you were basically giving your permission to be verbally attacked, if he saw fit. When you are in a relationship, people think they have permission to take a shot, but that is not always the case. Be aware of your partner’s reactions, or speak up if you are feeling unfairly made fun of or ridiculed.

And remember, there really was only one Don Rickles.

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# Date Idea: Amuse Your Date with Music and Games



By [Noelle Downey](#)

Need help with fun [date night ideas](#) for the weekend? Look no further! Summer's about to be in full swing, and it's time for some fun in the sun. Whether in a group, with a date, or hanging out with the girls, getting outside can lead to good times, and it's an easy way to meet new people.



# **If you're dying to get out in the warmer weather and feel some heat between you and your partner, try these summery date ideas for a tropical take on your date nights this season!**

Check out an outdoor concert and dance on the grass with someone new. With music festivals like Bonnaroo, Lollapalooza and Coachella, music is the perfect way to break the ice this summer. Check out Festival Finder for concerts in your area. Whether you're taking your date there for a night of music and fun or planning to meet someone new, there will be a high chance that the music and heat will lead to sparks flying.

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If music isn't your thing, or you want to feel the rush of the wind in your face, head to an amusement park or fair. Whether you meet an adrenaline junkie that can match your drive, or if you fall short and get stuck with a clown, at least you can eat all the cotton candy and funnel cake your heart desires. Look for your nearest Six Flags or a waterpark near you to let the little kid inside of you run loose. Your hometown fair can also be a great opportunity for cheap fun and greasy food with friends or your date. Other outdoor options can be a simple homemade picnic in the park or trip to the zoo – anything to get outside and have fun.

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**Have a favorite outdoor date spot of your own? Got some perfect advice for how to have the best summer date in the sun possible? Comment below and share with our readers! Enjoy your**

sunny date this weekend!

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# Date Idea: Embrace Your Inner Kid



By [Noelle Downey](#)

Need a fun [date night idea](#) for this weekend? Cupid's got you covered! With all the hype about teen sensations like [Bella Thorne](#), Noah Cyrus and Shawn Mendes, it seems like the coolest thing to be right now is a teenager. In the spirit of all things teen, take some time out this weekend to visit the old haunts of your childhood for some grown-up fun.

**Looking for a nostalgic way to spend an evening with your partner remembering your favorite places from childhood? This date night idea is the perfect way to make new memories out of your old favorites!**

While an arcade might be a little old school, places like Dave & Buster's offer not only all the fun arcade games you loved in middle school, but also a restaurant and bar. Embrace your competitive spirit with friends, or challenge your date to a game.

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Another classic spot is a local mini-golf course. Not much skill is required, and there are all kinds of fun theme options from Pirate's Cove to Wilderness Falls. It's a good way to see how someone handles a loss... or a win. Plus, working on your stroke could be an easy way to get closer.

Other old-school ideas options are drive-in movies, go-carting, and treating yourself to ice cream.

In the NYC area? Check out Long Island Go-Karts for indoor racing and other fun activities.

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**Have a favorite high school-esque date night of your own? What are your favorite ways to kick back and enjoy a night with your significant other that makes you feel like a kid again? Let us know in the comments!**

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# Date Idea: Revisit Your Childhood



By [Noelle Downey](#)

Searching for [date night ideas](#)? Cupid's got you covered! Revisit your childhood with your significant other this weekend. As a child, you most likely enjoyed going to the arcade with a group of friends. The only difference now is that you'll spend time with your partner there. For a fun [date idea](#), plan a date to an arcade and see how many games you can beat your sweetheart in.

**Whether young or just young at heart, this awesome date night idea will have you feeling full of puppy love and good old fashioned fun!**

Planning on spending your next date by inviting your mate over your house? Then why not play hide & seek? Get creative by hiding in areas you never would have thought of as a kid. Who knows? It might end up being romantic when your partner finds you.

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Remember capture the flag? Go on a double date with a few friends to the park this weekend to play a game. You'll have an exciting time and will remember how it feels to be a child all over again.

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**Do you have any great childhood game ideas? What are some of the benefits you've found to sharing some childlike fun with your significant other? Let us know in the comments!**

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**Date Idea: Have a Night Abroad**





By [Noelle Downey](#)

Tired of going on the same old dates with your significant other? If so, Cupid has an awesome [date night](#) idea for you this weekend. No time for a real [romantic getaway](#)? Surprise your partner by transforming your house into a foreign restaurant this weekend instead! Go shopping for cookbooks that have your favorite ethnic recipes, and pick up some decorations. Ask your friend to dress up as a waiter and play cultural music to make the night seem more realistic. Once everything looks perfect, invite your special someone over.

**This is great date night idea to share with your partner as you take them on a whirlwind trip around the world without ever leaving your living room!**

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Of course, if you don't have the time to make all of these arrangements, you can always visit a foreign restaurant in your city. Choosing a restaurant and experiencing a brand new cuisine together for the first time is a great way to bond with your boo and leave you both feeling full of both great food and love.

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Have you ever transformed your house into a foreign restaurant? What are your favorite stay-cation ideas for a fun date night with your favorite person? Let us know in the comments!

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## Date Idea: Enjoy the Water





By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Now that it's finally warm out there, it's time to indulge! Regardless of whether you're an outdoorsy person or not, there are many exciting dates to go on this summer, especially when it involves the water.

## **Enjoy the warm weather by making some waves!**

Do you love surfing? Take your partner out this week to ride the waves. Surfing is not only exciting, but when you get the hang of it it's really relaxing. If neither of you know how to surf, take some lessons together! It's a couple's experience of a lifetime.

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If you're searching for another activity that will keep your heart racing, consider going water rafting! Do you live in New York? Ride the rapids within the Adirondack Mountains. If you prefer something that's less risky, plan a canoe trip. Some



quality time alone with your significant other on a canoe can make any day more romantic.

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Want to have an inexpensive summer date? Spend your weekend at the beach. Go swimming and get a tan in the afternoon. When night time comes, relax in the evening by building a bonfire and gazing at the stars.

**Do you have any great outdoor date ideas? Then share with our readers by commenting below.**

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## **Date Idea: Take A Trip to the Park**





By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Are you searching for new [date ideas](#) this weekend? Cupid's got you covered. Now that spring has sprung, why not enjoy the beautiful weather by taking a day trip to a nearby state park or hiking trail?

## **Check out the best that nature has to offer with your boo!**

If you and your significant other are athletic and crave a physical challenge, try a mountain for intense hiking or rock climbing. If you live in New York, the Adirondacks offer 46 peaks for hikers of all experience levels! Additionally, these beautiful mountains offer the perfect romantic setting to get cozy with your partner after a day outside. Relax by the fire, and be dazzled by the views at one of the area's hotels, such as Lake Placid Lodge.

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For something less strenuous, why not seek out a local nature preserve and pack a picnic lunch? Eating homemade sandwiches amidst wildflowers will be a welcome change from the usual restaurant atmosphere.

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If you and your love like to think outside the box and try new things, then Geocoaching might be a great way to do that. This game of hunting and seeking treasure is played all over the world and is a great, fun way to bond with your partner by spending time outdoors honing your tracking skills. Learn more about this new phenomenon by finding a Geocoaching center in your area.

**Do you have any great nature dates you'd like to share with us? Please do so by commenting below. Until next week, enjoy the sunshine!**

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## **Date Idea: Dance the Night Away With Your Love**





By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Looking to have a fun, exciting [date night](#) this weekend? Cupid's got you covered. Why not go out dancing with your partner, where you can listen to great music and get both physically and emotionally close to each other?

**Let your freak flag fly with your boo this weekend by dancing the night away at the following locations:**

Before deciding where to go to bust a move, you and your significant other should discuss what type of experience you want to have. If you're looking to learn a traditional, choreographed dance, check out local classes! If you live in the Big Apple, be sure to check out Dance Manhattan, which offers group lessons in ballroom, swing, salsa and the tango. Live on the West Coast? Check out 3rd Street Dancing, which has a similar class schedule.

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The 92nd Street Y on Manhattan's Upper East Side is one of the city's most dynamic activity centers. Their Harkness Dance Center offers all of the dance classics, in addition to more unique choices such as Flamenco, Afro-Caribbean dance and tap dancing.

If you and your partner are looking for something less structured and just want to cut a rug, then make a night of it and go out dancing after dinner! In the Chicago area? Be sure to try out Berlin, which was named as the city's best dance club by *Rolling Stone Magazine*.

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Habana Village in Washington D.C. is a club with great live music. They also offer dance lessons, so on an average Saturday night, skilled customers break out into merengue or the samba on the dance floor!

**Do you have any great dance schools or clubs in mind? Please share with the rest our readers by commenting below. Until next week, happy dancing!**

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## **Date Idea: Laugh Out Loud Fun**





By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Are you searching for new [date ideas](#) this weekend? If you're having trouble coming up with fun new ways to spend your weekend off with your honey...

## **Laugh the weekend off with your love by visiting one of these places:**

2017 has released some of the best comedy movies to date – go watch one in a romantic dark theater! Or better yet, rent them on Netflix and have a movie night at home.

If you would rather see a live performance of a hilarious show instead of seeing it on the big screen, buy tickets to a play! Take a day trip to New York City, it's one of the best places for comedy theater. If you can't make it to the Big Apple, go online and check out a list of events to see when a play will show near you.

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Perhaps the best place to have the most fun (and the best laughs) is a comedy club. Emerging comedians, as well as the well-known stand-up celebrities, will make your [date night](#) entertaining!

For example, John Mulaney has just announced his 2017 tour *Kid Gorgeous*. This rising comedian is absolutely laugh out loud funny – go check out some of his specials on Netflix if you haven't heard of him! If you're looking for tickets, simply visit [JohnMulaney.com](http://JohnMulaney.com) for more information.

**Do you have any great dating ideas? Then share with our readers by commenting below.**

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## **Date Idea: Get Close with Nature**





By [Delaney Gilbride](#)

Are you searching for new, exciting [date ideas](#) this weekend because you and your honey are sick of going to the same place and doing the same things time and time again?

**The weather is warming up and the best dates this time of the year are spent outdoors.**

Take your partner on a date to a nature reserve. You'll be surprised at what you see. Just spending time outdoors looking at all that nature has to offer can be a great way for you and your partner to enjoy a beautiful spring day. If you and your companion enjoy biking, research which nature reserves allow it.

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If you would rather go somewhere close to home, check out your local zoo if you haven't yet! There are always great



attractions provided to you at zoos; you'll never be bored! For those who absolutely adore animals, petting zoos are definitely an exciting place to visit.

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If you're feeling adventurous, plan a camping trip with your sweetheart. This is the best way to see nature: a variety of animals, foliage, the noises from lakes and ponds nearby, and stars scattered across the night sky. Go rafting in the morning, spend the afternoon hiking a mountain to watch the sunset, and in the evening, lie under the stars.

**Do you have any nature date ideas? Then share with our readers by commenting below.**