

# Weekend Date Idea: Celebrate a Week of Thanks



By Emma L. Wells

Get into the Thanksgiving spirit early this year! On this [weekend date idea](#), come up with a list of all the things and, more importantly, the people you're thankful for in life. If you're in the early stages of your relationship and love, this conversation can be a great way to get to know each other better.

## Give Thanks on This Weekend Date

# Idea

It's a wonderful Thanksgiving tradition to give thanks for everything in your life. Why not take it a step further this year and not just say thanks but show your appreciation too? After you and your beau have made your lists, start thinking of ways that you can give back to the people in your life.

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If you're feeling creative, you can make some fall-themed gift baskets. You can bake some lovely Thanksgiving treats or, if you're not that confident in the kitchen, buy some high quality ingredients and make a DIY basket. Many speciality cooking stores also sell pre-packaged cookie, pie, or cake mixes that you can include. Add some Thanksgiving decorations, like a few gourds or pumpkins from a farmers market, a serving tray, or utensils to help make their dinner extra special!

## Put Some Love Into This Date Idea

Don't forget to personalize your baskets by including a handwritten and heartfelt note telling them what they mean to you. Your loved ones will be touched that you put so much thought and care into this gift! Pass out your baskets to your family and friends throughout the week leading up to Thanksgiving.

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After this weekend date idea is over, consider this relationship advice and make an additional basket to give to your sweetheart! Instead of a Thanksgiving theme, make this basket more personal. Fill it with fun activities you two will enjoy doing together this winter, or find items that remind you of great memories from your relationship and love so far.

How will you and your honey give thanks this year? Tell us below!

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## Product Review: Get Fit with Gaiam's New Versatile Spring Workout Attire!



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By Jenna Bagcal

The start of spring symbolizes new beginnings, whether they are in friendships, love, or your fitness routine. To get

ready for summer and shed those extra pounds you might have gained over the long winter months, get fit with Gaiam's new versatile spring workout gear! In this product review, learn about the Curve Capris and the Hooded Petal Long Sleeve Tee, both of which are perfect to wear during your workout and long after you're finished at the gym. These stylish workout clothes are functional *and* fashionable, so you can plan a fitness [date idea](#) for you and your honey or wear them while running errands after spin class.

## Get a Fresh Start With Your Fitness Routine, Thanks to This Gaiam Product Review

In celebrity gossip magazines, stars are photographed going to the gym, grabbing lunch, or walking their dogs in cute and comfortable fitness clothes. Thanks to Gaiam, you can emulate your favorite A-listers with two of the company's products from their new line of spring apparel. Make sure you stay stylish and comfortable, whether you're working out or hanging out!

The first item in our product review is the Curve Capris, which fit on the body snugly while still allowing for a wide range of movement during exercise. These capris sell for \$60 and come in five fun colors, from true blue to a funky black gaia print. They feature SOFTech Fabric, a super soft, breathable, and quick-drying fabric that is perfect for warm spring and summer workouts. The mesh detailing and ruching in the fabric adds a fashionable touch to your everyday performance wear. Plus, the wide waistband on adds comfort as well as convenience, thanks to a small pocket inside to store items like keys and chapstick.

Pair your comfy Curve Capris with Gaiam's Hooded Petal Long Sleeve Tee, which can be worn three different ways. This

hoodie not only looks and feels great, but the convertibility adds variety to your workout gear and makes it feel like you have three different shirts in one! This \$46 long-sleeve tee comes in three colors and features the ultra-comfortable SOFTech Fabric. The slouchy hood can be worn over the head, off the shoulder, or as a cowl neck to make sure you stay chic during your workouts or while casually hanging out with your beau.

*Both of these products run from sizes small to extra large and can be purchased on [Gaiam.com](http://Gaiam.com).*

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## **Famous Couple George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin Enjoy NYC Food Tour**







By Jenna Bagcal

In celebrity news from [People.com](https://www.people.com), married celebrity couple George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin have recently been dining at some of New York City's best restaurants and eateries. This famous couple have been eating their way through the city at high-end places such as Cipriani, Morandi, and Babbo to name just a few off their list.

**Famous couples eat famous food!  
What are some creative things you  
can do as a couple to explore a new  
city?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Whether you and your partner are visiting a new city for your honeymoon, anniversary, or a simple vacation, getting to know the food, sights, and general aura of each place will help you to get the most out of what each city has to offer. Gain

inspiration from this famous couple and explore cities in a fun and delicious way. Here are three of Cupid's tips for creative things you and your significant other can do when exploring a new city.

**1. Go to their local market or grocery store:** Eating a city's local cuisine is one of the best ways to connect to each place on a deeper level. Visit a city's outdoor market if they have one, or even grocery store and check out their fun and unique food. Sample a little or a lot of the local fare, and buy a few of your favorite snacks to stash into your luggage on the trip home.

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**2. Ditch the hotel:** Instead of staying at a fancy hotel during your vacation, stay with a host family, or try a service like Airbnb to rent out someone's home or apartment. Living how the locals do will help you and your partner to get an authentic feel for living in any particular city.

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**3. Walk around without a map:** Once you and your partner have seen the Statue of Liberty, the Eiffel Tower, or the Sistine Chapel , take some time to wander aimlessly around the city and explore to your heart's content. Go into small shops or boutiques and practice your language skills with the shop owners. Buy a souvenir or two to take back home with you.

**What are some unique ways you and your partner have explored a new city? Share your experiences with us!**

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# Date Idea: Run in the Name of Love



By Emma L. Wells

This [weekend date idea](#) will have you and your beau gettin' physical! Instead of your usual dinner and a movie, get off the couch and go for a run or walk together. There's no better way to get your relationship and love out of a rut than with a little activity, so for this date idea, challenge your sweetheart to run or walk a 5K with you.

## Challenge Each Other With This Date



# Idea

Map out a good 5K route in your town or, if possible, sign up for an official 5K charity run. So many non-profits have them that you're bound to find a cause that you'll both appreciate. That way you'll not only be doing something great for your bodies *and* your relationship and love but also for society!

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Run as a team to help keep each other's strength up. Or you can make it a race between the two of you to add some playful competition to this date idea. A little competitiveness between you and your partner can actually be really healthy for your partnership. A small rivalry can spice things up as long as it's all in good fun!

## Love Advice: The Couple That Runs Together, Stays Together

Exercising together has a lot of benefits. First, it'll give you the opportunity to wow him with what great shape you're in. You'll also run faster and work harder than you normally would so that you can impress him. Take this love advice and consider investing in some new workout gear that really shows off the results of your hard work. Additionally, it'll be nice to have someone so close to give you positive encouragement. Plus, a good workout releases chemicals in your brain that will leave you two feeling giddy and romantic all day long.

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If you're planning your own 5K, make sure to run past some nice scenery. For instance, if you live on the coast, why not map out a path along the water? You can plot your run to be a circle so you end up back at home or extend your day by ending at a park where you can enjoy a pleasant rest. Once you've

recovered, head to your favorite brunch spot. After all, you've earned it after your workout!

Have you and your partner done a 5K together? Tell us about it below!

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## Date Idea: Around the World in 80 Minutes



By Emma L. Wells

This weekend date idea will have you and your sweetheart traveling the world without ever leaving your couch. It's perfect for a night when you might be a little tired but still

want to spend some quality, fun time together. All you need is a good appetite and some takeout menus!

## Travel the World Without Leaving Your Couch on This Date Idea

Find some tasty, authentic cuisine in your neighborhood that you and your honey can order in. If you don't know your area that well, check out Yelp for some suggestions and reviews. You'll be able to get a taste of China, Italy, Mexico, and more – all in the same night. Order a small dish or two from every restaurant and set up a buffet at home so you both get to try a bit of everything.

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At the end of the night, vote on your favorites. Follow this dating and [relationship advice](#) to find out how well your tastes match. You might even come up with a new favorite restaurant for your next date night. If he mentions a particular dish that he likes, make a mental note to make a home-cooked version in the future; you should be able to find the recipe you need on Pinterest.

Make this a date idea a themed night by renting movies to enjoy with dinner. You can pick out some travel-themed rom-coms like *The Holiday*, *Under the Tuscan Sun*, *Eat Pray Love*, *French Kiss*, or *Roman Holiday*. Or watch food-themed movies like *Ratatouille*, *Chocolat*, *Chef*, *The Hundred Foot Journey*, or *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

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After having a blast on this weekend date idea, you and your partner might consider doing the night all over again for a party with your friends. They'll be bound to notice how close and cute you two look while playing host together. Plus,

takeout is really easy for a party set-up and clean-up! Or if one of you is a particular good cook, try recreating some of these yummy dishes for your pals. Spending time together in the kitchen can certainly add some spice to your relationship and love.

**Have you ever had a cultural food extravaganza with your significant other? Tell us about it below!**

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## **Celebrity Photos: Famous Couples and Their Exotic Honeymoons**







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Mike Fisher and Carrie Underwood

The Nashville Predators hockey player and country singer got married in Georgia in July 2010, and then they hopped on a

plane to celebrate their honeymoon in Tahiti. The celebrity couple spent their time soaking up the sun on this beautiful island in French Polynesia. Photo: Flynet Pictures

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# Celebrity Couple: Chris Soules Kisses 'Bachelor' Winner Whitney Bischoff on Romantic Date Night



By Jenna Bagcal

Date nights are great opportunities for you and your

significant other to forget about the stresses of the week and just focus on each other. According to [People.com](https://www.people.com), celebrity couple Chris Soules and his fiancée Whitey Bischoff from [The Bachelor](https://www.fox.com) season 19 did just that. They were spotted engaging in some PDA on their recent date. On Instagram, Soules captioned a photo of the cute pair with “Lovely evening with my lady. #luckyman.”

**Following *The Bachelor* season 19 finale last week, this celebrity couple is excited that they can finally be seen together in public. What are three unique date ideas for a romantic night out with your partner?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Consider Cupid's dating advice and spice up your regular nights out to keep them from feeling monotonous. Take some inspiration from this celebrity couple, and use these three unique date ideas for a romantic night with your partner.

**1. Take a romantic dinner cruise:** Having dinner with your love might be on your regular repertoire of date nights, but why not take it to the next level? Attend a romantic dinner cruise and sail around the city with your partner. Order a bottle of your favorite wine, feel the sea breeze on your face, and watch the glow of the sun as it sets on the horizon.

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**2. Go on a hot air balloon ride:** Take in the sights of



your city from a different perspective. Go on a hot air balloon ride with your sweetheart and slowly sail across the sky in a sea of clouds. Call in advance in case of inclement weather. Private balloon rides for two are available, so make sure to bring your camera for plenty of scenic photos of you and your partner.

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**3. Attend a couples cooking class:** Few things are as heartfelt and romantic as cooking for your significant other. So tie on your aprons and enjoy a cooking class together! There are often deals online on sites like Groupon. Take plenty of notes during the class so that you can recreate the delicious cuisines for an at-home date night with your partner.

**What are some unique and fun date ideas? Share them with us in the comments!**

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# Celebrity Couple George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin Enjoy NYC Dinner Date







By [Katie Gray](#)

Talk about true celebrity love! George Clooney is in New York City filming an upcoming film called *Money Monster* with his friend and costar Julia Roberts. He clearly realizes that if you work hard, you can play hard. Clooney took a break from business and went on a date with his celebrity wife, Amal Alamuddin. According to [UsMagazine.com](#), "The couple grabbed a bite to eat at the beloved French restaurant Cafe Boulud in the Upper East Side on Friday, Feb. 27. Afterward, Clooney, 53, was spotted sipping cocktails with his British lawyer love at the Carlyle hotel bar – and a certain Beatle showed up, too! Paul McCartney joined them for a while." Talk about the perfect date!

**We just love this celebrity couple!  
What are three ways to mix business  
and pleasure in your love life?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Luckily for us, life isn't all work and no play. It's important to enjoy yourself and live your life to the fullest. That means finding a balance between business and pleasure, including in your relationship and love life. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Try out new food places:** Nothing is better than food. A great way to mix business and pleasure in all aspects of your life, including your relationship and love life, is by trying new places to eat and new styles of food. It's something you can do on a date night with your partner, out with a large group, by having a dinner party or by making a special meal for your partner all on your own.

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**2. Enjoy a drink with people you like:** Doctors say that a glass of wine a day is good for your heart. Enjoy a glass of wine or a different drink of your choice with people you enjoy spending time with! It's a perfect way to mix business and pleasure because the beverage options and locations are endless.

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**3. Travel:** A great way to enjoy yourself and the company of your partner, is by getting away on a nice vacation. Relax and have fun, this life is yours! Traveling is a fantastic way to mix business and pleasure, because you're expanding your horizons and taking a much needed break, while experiencing fun adventures.

**What are ways you have mixed business and pleasure? Share your stories with us below.**

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# Product Review: Make M&M'S® a Part of Your Oscars Celebration!



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By Jenna Bagcal

There are pairs of things that just make sense together, like cookies and milk, peanut butter and jelly, or strawberries and champagne. The same thing can be said for award shows and M&M'S®. With the 87th Academy Awards less than a week away, some of you may be thinking about throwing a viewing party. So

why not consider making this delicious chocolate candy a part of your Oscars 2015 celebration? Use this product review for some fun ideas!

## Date Idea For An M&M'S® Oscars Celebration

A grand event like the Academy Awards calls for a grand celebration! Even if you're just at home with your significant other or some of your close couple friends, this M&M'S® and Oscars [date idea](#) can make your night red carpet worthy. Before the party starts, make sure you're stocked up with your favorite M&M'S®, whether it's the classic creamy Milk Chocolate, the tasty and crunchy Peanut, or the fun Crispy that are back by popular demand. Their colorful candy shells and chocolate filling will add a festive touch to your celebration. While you're munching on these rainbow confections, make sure to look out for the commercial that M&M'S® will be debuting on the big night.

Check out the videos below for some of Red's Red Carpet Tips to make your celebration on Sunday, Feb. 22 even better!

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There are a wide variety of treats you can make using M&M'S® that are sure to satisfy any sweet tooth. Add Crispy M&M'S® to brownies for a crunchy surprise, or bake M&M'S® cookies as a fun alternative to your usual chocolate chip version. Get creative with your recipes, and don't be afraid to mix all three varieties together for a completely unique experience! For a final touch to your decor, lay out a "red



carpet" path toward the dessert table with the tasty M&M'S® treats you made for your guests.

At the end of the night, send your guests home with some swag bags – just like the Oscars attendees – and fill them with cool and fun items you think they will love. Don't forget to include some M&M'S® in there too!

**What are some of your favorite ways to enjoy M&M'S®? Share them with us below and on social media!**

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## Expert Dating Advice: Valentine's Day Tips



By [Melanie Mar](#)

Valentine's Day: the red heart holiday. It's guaranteed to keep restaurants busy and flower stores in business. Whether you're single, newly dating, or married, this heartfelt day can be a bit tricky to navigate. Depending on your expectations in the romance department, Valentine's Day can be an incredible hit or a massive miss. So how do you make sure you and your partner feel special on a day dedicated to love? Read my expert dating advice below!

## Expert Dating Advice to Consider Before Valentine's Day

**If you're single:** Being single on Valentine's Day is not uncommon, so take some comfort in the fact you're actually in good company on this hyper-focused heart holiday. As a relationship expert, I believe this is an excellent time to fall in love with *yourself*. If you prefer to be alone, pamper yourself with a hot bubble bath, music and some fine, quality chocolates. Or let someone else do the pampering and book a soothing massage at a relaxing spa. Take the time to treat yourself well and know that you're worth it.

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If the thought of being alone simply fills you with dread, then gather up your girlfriends and put on a fabulous dress. Head out to a sexy lounge bar, enjoy some playful flirting, and kick up your killer heels. Another fun idea is to host a "singles Valentine's Day party" at your place. Invite all your fellow singletons over to eat, drink, and be merry.

**If you're newly dating:** If you've just started dating someone, Valentine's Day can be a little awkward. What if you go all out and he doesn't acknowledge it? Yes, there are men out there who are oblivious to all the heart decorations in the shop windows or who "just don't get it." What if your

expectations of the day are at a certain level and the reality turns out to be completely different? How will you handle that?

My recommendation: If you are at a certain level of comfort with your partner, have a lighthearted (pun intended) conversation about the day and find out what they think about it. Remember that it's a day mostly aimed at women. Most men only do what society has informed them because a good man doesn't want to disappoint his girl, so be gentle on him.

If talking about it prior is not an option for you, then remind yourself that, whatever happens on the day, you will embrace and accept it – even if that means you are dating one of those oblivious men and end up deeply disappointed. By the following year, you'll be more invested in the relationship; then you can give him a polite prod about making Valentine's Day plans!

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## Valentine's Day Date Ideas for Married Couples

**If you're married:** Being married and celebrating Valentine's Day should be fabulous and stress-free. You already know each other's needs, wants, and desires *and* how to accommodate them. Over the years, that could be as simple as a card and a home-cooked candlelit dinner. After all, cooking together can be a very intimate and enjoyable process.

One of the things to be aware of with long-term relationships is complacency. The notion of not buying into this "commercial holiday" because you've been together so long is one you should ignore. My expert dating advice is to make it matter!

If you're looking for Valentine's Day date ideas, do something out of the ordinary to celebrate each other. Surprise each other with the unexpected, whether it be lingerie or a weekend getaway –whatever is out of the norm for you as a couple. The element of surprise keeps romance alive; it reignites the flames of passion and, in turn, fills the heart with love.

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## How to Celebrate the New Year with a New Baby







By [Courtney Omernick](#)

You may think that all of the fun of New Year's is over because you have a new baby in the house, but guess again! Just because your newborn is taking control of how you spend your time doesn't mean you have to have a dull New Year's celebration. Check out some fun ways to celebrate New Year's with your baby in tow:

**1. Host a slumber party:** If you have enough space in your home, consider inviting a few of your friends who have children to party at your place. Yes, your house will have even more chaos because of the extra children, but this gives your friends an incentive to get out of the house and celebrate too! You can even have it catered to take some of the pressure off of you and your partner.

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**2. Dress up:** If you're planning a night in, you don't have to resort to sweats! Add some sparkle to the event by wearing a

skirt or dress (for her) and a bowtie and suit (for him). Make sure to include your new baby in the festivities by dressing them up in a cute outfit too!

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**3. Bring your baby to the party:** Obviously, this option depends on the type of party you're attending. After all, you won't want to bring your baby to a loud bar. But if you're going to a friend's house, you might be able to bring your newborn along. If there's a place in your friend's home where you can put your child down for bed, you won't even have to worry about interrupting their usual routine.

**How else can you celebrate the New Year with a new baby? Share your ideas in the comments!**

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## Date Idea: Shut Down





By Shannon Seibert

Technology is useful but also very hindering. Sure, you like to know what the Twitterworld is up to on a daily basis, and you might miss out on what Karen had for lunch on Thursday, but sometimes, you really do need to step away from all things social media. Here's a little piece of dating advice for this weekend: Turn off your distractions and spend time with your love away from all things digital.

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## Technology-Free Date Idea

Remember when the iPhone wasn't around? Yeah, we try not to either, but back in the day, people had plenty of ways to keep themselves entertained: It was called company. Bundle up in your Sorel boots and North Face jacket, grab your partner by the hand, and head outdoors to get some exercise in the winter chill. This [date idea](#) will help you and your sweetheart to focus on your relationship and love by getting fit and healthy together.

Days were simpler when you could just go outside and “play” as a kid, but there shouldn’t be anything stopping you this weekend. Challenge your love to a game of one-on-one basketball at the local park for a refreshing outdoor date idea. Your man’s competitive side will shine through, and you’ll be left with no choice but to show him up. Play dirty with your flirty smile and long lashes. When you come up with the win, treat your irresistible loser to a cup of Hershey’s hot chocolate by the fireplace.

If the weather is poor or you just aren’t feeling the outdoors, inside can be just as fun. Set up a game of Checkers. Yes, we said Checkers! It may sound cheesy or like something you’d do with your grandmother, but you’d be surprised at how fun board games can be with the love of your life. For an out of the box twist on this weekend date idea, use cookies as game pieces. Every time you “jump” your partner’s piece, you get to eat the cookie. This not only speeds up the game, but it makes it more tasty.

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If board games aren’t doing it for you either, head to the kitchen. With the holiday season quickly approaching, you have the perfect excuse to whip up all of your favorite treats. Have a gingerbread house building competition with your honey, and see who was meant to be the architect of the couple. This house building date idea should inspire you to bust out your inner Betty Crocker. The best part is, at the end of the festivities, you and your love get to eat your creations.

**What would you do during the day without technology? Share with us in the comments below!**

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# Date Idea: Winter Beaching



By Shannon Seibert

There is very little that is more enjoyable than a beach trip in the winter. The cool air, the calming sound of the waves, and the rubbing of sand between your toes can create the perfect date idea for you and your man. This weekend, huddle together under a blanket and watch the waves dance while making plans for this coming summer; which is closer than you think!

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## Date Idea: Warm Up Your Winter

# Dates With A Trip to the Beach!

Winter doesn't mean that you have to say "farewell" to the beach. Think outside the box with this weekend date idea: Create your own slice of paradise by packing a romantic picnic for your beach getaway. To follow this relationship advice, snag some Bubba Keg thermoses from your local grocery store to trap in the heat. Take along winter favorites, like some delicious hot cocoa or a piping hot batch of chicken noodle soup. The insulated container should keep it warm all day. But don't neglect your favorite frozen foods as well! Bring along a container of raspberry sorbet or a couple of peppermint popsicles to get into the holiday spirit.

While loading up the car, be sure to throw in a couple of blankets. The breeze may surprise you along the coast, and you want to be prepared. Tune your radio to some Bob Marley or even the Beach Boys to get you into the tropical-paradise mood. On the car ride there, ask your man about his favorite beach memories from his childhood. The more you find out, the stronger your [relationship and love](#) will be. Also, take some time to plan a future date idea or two for the upcoming summer months.

Brainstorm summer vacations with your love while playing a quick game of volleyball in the sand. You could stay local and dip into the Atlantic on the beaches of Daytona or go for a more exotic adventure to the island of Bermuda. Both destinations have unique tropical sites that attract a bunch of tourists, so beat the crowds and book your romantic getaway in advance.

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As you both get excited about your impending trip, boost the creativity of your games. Play against each other in a flirty game of Frisbee. Make it a contest to see who can catch it in the coolest way, like between your legs or over your shoulder.

If you plan on staying until the end of the day, set up a cool bonfire as the sun goes down. The warm flames will comfort you in contrast to the chilly winter breeze. Be careful though, as each state has regulations whether or not you are permitted to start a fire on the beach. If not, bringing along a couple of lanterns can still keep you cozy. Snuggle together around your fire – or make-believe fire – as you watch the sun dip behind the sea. This is sure to be a weekend date idea you will both remember!

**Have any fun winter-beach stories? Share with us in the comments below!**

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**Date    Idea:    Go    Back    to  
College!**





By Shannon Seibert

You may have graduated years ago, but college life is still just as fun! As a fun weekend date idea, head back to your alma mater with your sweetheart to check out a football game, watch a performing arts group, and visit your favorite university bar or restaurant.

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## Take a Trip Down Memory Lane With This Weekend Date Idea

You invested four years of your life into a place that you never thought would mean so much to you. Whether or not college is where you and your honey met, college towns are still a haven for memories, both old and new. For this nostalgic [date idea](#), take your love to all of your favorite buildings. Most universities allow public access to their libraries, informational buildings, and eateries. This way, you can even give your guy a personal tour of where you used



to prep for exams and sneak in a quick study break for good measure.

Show him the sites that made you fall in love with campus, like the enormous oak trees, the daisy garden, or the baseball field. For University of Florida alumni, Ben Hill Griffin Stadium has never been a disappointment! As the two of you explore, you can chat about your favorite college memories and give each other insight on how you became who you are today. Considering this little piece of dating advice will definitely strengthen your relationship and love!

College isn't just about the campus either. It's about being independent for the first time and being on your own in a new town. Encompass that feeling all over again and head out on the town with your man. For a sweet and delicious date idea, visit the ice cream shop where you spent every Sunday afternoon. A double fudge sundae is always the best item on the college diet menu anyways!

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Talk with your honey about your awkward first college date at that hole-in-the wall restaurant – or even stop in for a burger. Restaurants and nightlife are a huge part of the college experience, so try and see if you still have that college spirit in you. Bar hop from Fat Tuesday's to the dive bar next door. The bartenders are also a great source of information, so order a couple of peach-mango margaritas and learn about the changes the town has undergone since your last visit. This way, your sweetheart can take part in the town's history with you.

**What are some of your favorite college memories? Tell us below!**

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# Date Idea: Escape Black Friday



By Shannon Seibert

Sure, Black Friday sales are tempting, but they can also be super crazy. Going shopping in that chaos can flare some tensions between you and your sweetheart. The overwhelmingly massive crowds and lines might test the limits of your relationship and love. So consider this piece of dating advice: Spend this weekend inside with your love, tracking the deals online and planning shopping trips for calmer days. Embrace your inner child and prepare your lists for Santa Claus too.

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## Avoid Black Friday With Your Honey, Thanks to This Dating Advice

Black Friday is the Superbowl of shopping. Everyone is aggressively pursuing the items on their wish list while ambushing sales clerks and demanding their assistance. But in this day and age, Cyber Monday has become our saving grace. For a comfortable and stress-free date idea, shop with your honey from the comfort of your couch! This way, you can shield yourself from the frosty weather and enjoy online buying by a crackling fire. Grab a plate of Thanksgiving leftovers while you browse the sites for deals.

Start a pot of caramel espresso coffee and prepare yourself for the shopping Olympics. Stores such as Target, Macy's, and Best Buy usually do a sale preview before the event, giving you and your love a chance to adequately prepare your holiday list. Cyber Monday is unique in that some shops have online sales that *aren't* featured in stores. Do a little research before you start so you'll be sure to cover all of the bases, making your friends envious of your superior shopping expertise.

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Together, make your Black Friday lists, organizing them from most important items to least. For instance, if your sweetheart is looking for a Lifeproof iPhone case, Amazon.com is your best bet for deals. What's even better is that if the price lowers within a month of your purchase, you can shoot an email to Amazon, and they will refund you the difference. Consider this organizational piece dating advice so that you and your partner can spend less time being frustrated and more time finding the perfect gift for each other.

You can't forget about the big man in the North Pole! Mr. Claus has been a part of Christmas traditions since the beginning of time, so why stop now that you're an adult? With your holiday hunk, write your lists for Santa. Make sure to include all of your Christmas wishes! While you do so, munch on adorable gingerbread cookies and sip some cinnamon-infused hot cocoa. With this out of the box weekend date idea, the holiday mood will begin to set in, only adding to you and your love's anticipation for the upcoming festivities.

**What's on your list for Black Friday this year? Share with us in the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: Give Thanks for Your Health**







By Shannon Seibert

While you may be tempted to feast this holiday season, you and your love can both benefit by choosing healthier options. As a pre-Thanksgiving weekend date idea, spend the weekend prepping for the holiday with healthy versions of your favorite meals and planning a winter workout regimen.

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## Relationship Advice for You and Your Love to Get Healthy This Thanksgiving

People mistake healthy eating for bland food, which is definitely not the case. Get cooking in the kitchen with this delicious [date idea](#). Put together some indulgent dishes with your honey that will fool your tastebuds about calorie content. The Food Network has a plethora of gluten-free, trans fat-free, vegan, vegetarian, and other healthy alternative recipes that are easy to make and heavy on the flavor.

Playing chef with your sweetheart can also inspire a heart-to-heart talk about your health. Being healthy and in good shape with your partner is a piece of relationship advice we easily take for granted. So pour a glass of Cabernet Sauvignon (good for your heart!) and tell each other what you're thankful for. Simple life pleasures – such as being able to run or having an above-average immune system – are something to appreciate.

As you progress in your healthy lifestyle with your honey, consider this piece of love advice: Tell your significant other that you're thankful to have such a wonderful, motivating partner that inspires you to be a better person. Having a positive attitude and sharing words of encouragement will help you and your partner to improve your health.

Proper exercise goes hand in hand with healthy eating, so this winter, keep warm with your love by getting active. Together, make a chart displaying a weekly workout regimen. Ask your honey what muscles he wants to focus on and channel that inspiration into a tag-team exercise plan. Google some winter-inspired workout ideas that will help you and your beau survive the cold weather.

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To really turn up the heat this winter, why not try out hot yoga for a active date idea? Most classes are 100 minutes long in a 100-degree room and incorporate multiple styles of yoga. Watching each other stretch in all directions as you drip in sweat from the intense heat can actually be sexy. Who knows, you may take away a few new moves to try out later at home.

Cool off afterwards by stepping outside into the crisp, cool air or just nibble on some Edy's Chocolate Trinity ice cream (hey, you earned it!). Enjoy the feeling of doing something great for your body with someone who holds such a special place in your heart.

**What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving? Tell us in the**

comments below!

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# Weekend Date Idea: World Series Weekend



By Shannon Seibert

If your honey loves baseball, celebrate the final weekend of the sport by gearing up for the game. To get in the mood and get ready for your favorite team to win, watch movies like *A League of Their Own* or *The Bad News Bears* or watch reruns of legendary games. Bonding with your partner over America's favorite pastime is a great weekend date idea that he will

appreciate. Plus, it'll strengthen your [relationship and love](#).

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## Hit a Home Run With a World Series Weekend Date Idea

Baseball is one of the most traditional American hobbies. Whether you're on the field or in the stands, there is something about a white sphere with red stitching that brings people together for the love of the game. With the World Series approaching, you and your man need to get into game day mode as well. Prep yourself for this weekend date idea with recaps of recent games and make predictions on upcoming outcomes. You can even bet on how many runs each team will win by – the loser has to do the dishes tonight.

During those nine innings, things can get pretty intense, especially if you and your partner are on opposing sides. There is nothing sexier to a man than a woman who likes sports and actually knows what she is talking about. Don't be the fool who gets excited and exclaims "the batter hit a touchdown!" Instead, if you're unfamiliar with the rules and terms used, read up on the lingo in advance of this weekend date idea.

Men also like when their significant others share common interests with them, so consider this dating advice to make you irresistible to your partner. Once he sees you immersed into the action, he won't be able to tear his eyes away from you long enough to even register whether that last pitch was a ball or a strike.

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Another fun addition to this sporty date idea is having baseball-inspired snacks to keep your stomach satisfied as you

eagerly watch the championships unfold. Pinterest has oodles of ideas that your man won't be able to resist. Also, you can go the more traditional route and snag a couple of bags of Cracker Jacks and boiled peanuts to quench your cravings. Once you and your love start munching, you'll feel like you're actually in the stands!

Even if it isn't the real thing, sports movies always teach us life lessons through the love of a sport. Classics such as *The Sandlot* and *Angels in the Outfield* show you that believing in something bigger than yourself is something worth believing in. The root of this belief is love, so remind your partner of how great you are together and cuddle close as you watch these movies again.

**How do you and your man spend game days? Tell us in the comments below!**

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## 10 Fun Halloween Date Ideas







By Emily Meyer

Halloween is just around the corner. This spooky holiday can make for one of the best and most fun date nights for you and your beau. How can it not be fun when you're able to get scared with your partner, have an arm to squeeze and a place to bury your face when you're too afraid to look? Cupid is here with 10 exciting and – maybe a bit frightening – date ideas to help you run into your partner's arms this Halloween:

**1. Pick out costumes together:** You are never too old to dress up for Halloween. Whether it's two objects that go together like salt and pepper, or an infamous duo like Barbie and Ken, bonding and spending time with your partner in your costumes will be entertaining enough.

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**2. Decorate for Halloween:** There is no better way to get in the Halloween spirit than by decorating your house inside and out. Spend a day with your partner making DIY crafts and finding the most frightening decorations to hang all around

your home.

**3. Plan a murder mystery dinner party:** Host a murder mystery dinner party with your partner that your guests will never forget. Start by assigning all of your guests a role to play, one of which is the murderer. During the course of the party, your guests will try to figure out is the mystery. Not only will your party be unique, but it will be a fun way to get into the Halloween spirit with your partner and your friends.

**4. Scary movie marathon:** What better way to get comfy and cozy with your partner than by watching a scary movie? Take a night and pick out a slew of movies that you and your date will enjoy. Try watching an extra scary movie like 'Saw,' and if that's not your thing, find a more "feel good" Halloween movie like 'Hocus Pocus.'

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**5. Take a haunted house tour:** Many cities across the country are now releasing the scariest haunted houses in your area. Go with your partner on a house tour and have a reason to cling onto each other all night.

**6. Tell scary stories by a campfire:** Break out the hot chocolate or adult beverage and cozy up by a campfire with your date and friends. Tell your favorite scary ghost stories; hopefully everyone will move a bit closer to their dates.

**7. Carve pumpkins:** Carving pumpkins has been a Halloween tradition for decades. Start by going to the pumpkin patch with your date and picking out the best pumpkins you see. From there, enjoy a nice evening relaxing and having fun carving your pumpkins in whichever way you like.

**8. Go to a local amusement park:** During the month of October, many amusement parks have Halloween-themed nights that can be great scary dates for you and your partner. Whether you want to just enjoy the rides in the romantic moonlight or actually

get scared by the frightening decorations of the park, it will be a night to remember.

**9. Go on a picnic in a graveyard:** Get your blankets and food ready, and go on a picnic with your date in a graveyard. This frightening date will be sure to get you ready for October 31st.

**10. Get lost in a corn maze:** Many local farms put on a haunted house-themed maze where people are just waiting to pop out at you. This haunted evening gives you and your date the perfect opportunity to jump into each other's arms.

**Cupid wants to know: what did you and your partner do last Halloween? Tell us in the comments below!**

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<b>Weekend</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Idea:</b>	<b>Go</b>
<b>Shopping</b>			





By Shannon Seibert

Winter is coming, and with the exit of warm weather, it's time for an update to your wardrobe. So this weekend, head into town with your sweetheart for some snuggly sweaters and adorable boots, and plan your next date idea to showcase your new fashions.

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## Shopping Date Idea for the Cold Weather

The fall chill is the perfect excuse to pick out some new clothes, so grab your man's attention with a sexy winter wardrobe. But remember: Shopping isn't only for ladies, gents! In fact, a shopping date idea is the perfect way to strengthen your relationship and love by indulging a bit in your lady's fashion interests.

For her, pick out items that match the season. Scarves, cute hats, sweaters, and cardigans are great staples for the

upcoming temperature drop. For a fall feel, play up the season with purples and golds. Before hitting the shops and participating in this weekend date idea, do some research. Search for “Fall Women’s Clothing” on Pinterest for a little shopping assistance.

For him, you can never go wrong with simplicity. To really incorporate the changing seasons, go for an arrangement of ties. Deep oranges, dark reds, and hunter greens are great colors. Find an array of examples at Brooks Brothers.

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But you don’t have to limit your shopping to high-end boutiques. Thrift stores are the perfect treasure chests for warm, woolen sweaters for the fall season. Goodwill is a popular place to start, but the best places are the hole-in-the-wall ones that may require some searching. Don’t fret! You and your man will pass the time easily with good conversation and the happiness your company brings.

Pick your pumpkin out a batch of sweaters and jackets and make your way to the dressing room. Consider this dating advice and incorporate some fun during your shopping trip. Have your man rate his favorite choices and do the same for him. Even make a game out of the day and see who can pick out the most unique item. Put on a winter fashion show for each other and strut your stuff for your sweetheart. The only thing better than the cozy feel of the sweater is the affordable price tag dangling off of the sleeve!

Bask in the glory of your shopping success and celebrate your findings with a tall glass of Chardonnay as you snuggle next to the fireplace. After all, you both deserve it, right?

**What is your favorite fall accessory or clothing item? Share with us below!**



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# Weekend Date Idea: City Living



By Shannon Seibert

Cities are a haven for magical sites that capture the essence of romance. The crowds of interesting people, the hustle and bustle of traffic, and even the historical landmarks around you add to your experience. This fall weekend, embark on an adventure with your love and take in all that your hometown (or the nearest big city) has to offer with this exciting [date idea](#)!

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# Fun Weekend Date Idea in the City

Together, you and your man can browse the windows (Christmas isn't *that* far away, right?) and check out the unique boutiques. You never know what treasures you'll find! Whether it's a hand-crafted scarf for her or a festive tie for him, boutiques always have the best and most unique items for reasonable prices. Pick out something that incorporates the fall season. Stick to burnt oranges, exuberant reds, and shades of yellow and gold. Now, you have a new accessory for that fall wardrobe you've been dying to debut – perfect as you plan your next weekend date idea!

Parks are also a great place to find city-inspired entertainment. You may run into a sketch artist while you're wandering around. Have them draw up an animation of you and your honey. You can strike a silly pose, stick your tongue out, or even make the moment romantic with a kissing picture. This way, the two of you will have a fun way to commemorate your relationship and love and document the fun you had on your date.

You and your sweetheart can also enjoy the people of the city. Stop and watch the street performers and even volunteer to participate. New York City is known for their creative street dancers that incorporate their audience into their acts, so don't be shy! Doing things out of your comfort zone is a great piece of dating advice, and you might surprise yourself and your partner by unexpectedly jumping in the middle of the dance circle.

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Indulge in the flavors of the season with a Pumpkin Spice Latte and split a warmed cinnamon-chocolate croissant with your love as you tour the city. Order each other a cup of coffee or specialty drink from a street cafe and give each other funny names that include some of your inside jokes. When

the barista calls out “Mr. Snores A Lot,” you’re bound to get a crowd reaction. As you’re holding hands and walking along the sidewalks, take in the feeling that the fall season is all about.

New York City also boasts an impressive number of famous couples who call the city home. While walking around and enjoying each other’s company, you and your honey might run into some celebrities, including Taylor Swift, Sarah Jessica Parker, or even Jay-Z and Beyonce. If you don’t want to approach them, snap some celebrity photos as proof to show your friends after this weekend date idea.

**What places in your hometown do you think are most beautiful in the fall? Share with us below!**

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## **Date Idea: Be a Sweetheart**





By Shannon Seibert

The saying goes that the best way to a person's heart is through their stomach: Take this weekend to satisfy your sweet tooth with new recipes and make sweet treats with your honey. Together you can indulge in sweet treats and indulge in each other.

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Be sweet on each other. Get creative in the kitchen and bake each other some sweet treats. Surprise each other with samples of your favorite desserts. 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 man.

If you need a little baking inspiration, you can never go wrong with chocolate, in any form. 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. Also, if you aren't a fan of chocolate there are always other routes to try. This Key

lime Pie Recipe from allrecipes.com is affordable and delectable. It will have your taste buds, as well as your man's, begging for another piece of the pie.

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Play with your food. You've always been told not to, but it's time to bend some rules. Make an assortment of yummy treats and blindfold your honey. Feed him one treat at a time and have him guess what it is, or what is in it. If he gets it right, then it's your turn to be blindfolded.

If you're feeling a little adventurous, start a classic food fight. Flick a little flour his 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 treats to bake.

You can even decorate your tasty treats, icing is just a step up from Crayons. Write your man a sweet message on a decorative cake to show him you care. Something as simple as "Glad You're Mine" or the traditional "I love you" can make him smile. Afterwards, pair a glass of Sherry with your favorite treat, and enjoy sweet conversation with each other.

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

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## **Date Idea: Go Strawberry Picking**





By Brittany Stubbs

When is the last time you and your love got outside and did something fun? It's time to head to the closest strawberry farm and pick your favorite sweets together! After all, this warm weather won't last forever, so take advantage of it and embrace the sunshine.

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Switch up your regular weekend routine of dinner and a movie and go enjoy nature instead. Not only will this adventure allow you to taste fruit that's fresher and juicier than what you'll find in your grocery store's produce section, but picking berries is just one of the many activities that the two of you can enjoy. Many strawberry farms also have petting zoos, beautiful flowers, souvenir stands, and great photo opportunities. Be prepared to pay with cash or check because

most farms do not accept credit cards. Another tip: Wear tennis shoes and clothes you don't mind getting a little dirty.

After you've walked around the strawberry patch and filled your baskets, have a romantic picnic with your partner. Pack a blanket, some napkins, and a few food items that will pair nicely with the fruit you collected. For an easy and delicious treat, consider bringing angel food cake and whip cream and adding in your freshly-picked strawberries. But make sure you wash your hands and all that fruit before you get to munching!

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Assuming the two of you have some berries leftover after the picnic, plan a creative way to enjoy the rest of your goodies later that week. We know you've had your eye on all those recipes on Pinterest! Come up with a special dessert or even a meal that incorporates your fruit. Not only will this adventure give you and your love some sweet treats but some sweet memories too!

**Have you ever gone to a strawberry farm with your partner? Share your stories below!**

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## **Date Idea: Show Off**





By Brittany Stubbs

Have a hidden talent that you want your love to appreciate? Set up a night where you can reveal your true self and impress your sweetheart. Your partner probably knows all about what you do for a living and your favorite hobbies, but there's that other side of you that doesn't always see the light of day. There is nothing more intimate than allowing your man to discover something new about you.

Finding inspiration might mean going back in time. Maybe you were on the dance team in high school and want to show off some of your old moves. That doesn't mean you have to start stretching and attempting the splits in your living room. Start looking for those videos of performances you never thought you'd watch again, make some popcorn, and cuddle up on the couch. Your partner will love seeing you in your youth as much as you'll enjoy laughing at yourself.

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Or perhaps you aspired to be a stand-up comedian back in the

day. Come up with a routine to make your lover laugh. If your sweetie has a thick skin, get creative and incorporate them into some of your jokes. Whether the routine goes smoothly or you're stumbling along, by the time you're finished, you'll both be on the floor laughing.

After you've revealed your hidden talent, sit back and allow your partner to share something you never knew about them. You'll be surprised how much closer the two of you will feel after this experience! Whether you're showing off tricks you haven't pulled out in years or talents you're still secretly working on, you'll learn more about each other and create a great memory along the way.

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To get your friends in on the fun, host a talent show. Invite a few of your favorite couples over for drinks and appetizers, followed by every couple putting on a mini performance. Take it a step further and present an award for the most entertaining show. Whether your friends impress you or make you cry from laughter, you'll want to make this night your newest tradition.

**Have you shared a hidden talent with your partner? Tell us about it the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: Redecorate**







By Brittany Stubbs

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!**