

# Love Advice: Old-Fashioned Summer Fun



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When you were a kid, there was nothing like summertime: no school for two months, water balloon fights, the classic Slip 'N Slide, and frequent pool days. Just because you're older now doesn't mean you and your boo can't enjoy some throwback fun! Follow this [dating advice](#) to enjoy all the summer activities you reveled in as a child.

**Check out this fun summertime date**

# idea!

Water balloon fights are an excellent activity for a big group, so get your honey to grab his friends while you invite yours and initiate a water war on this weekend date idea. Pinterest has tons of ideas for planning an epic water fight, so all you need is a good-sized backyard and the will to clean up all the balloon scraps when you're done! Water balloon fights are the perfect opportunity for the two of you to be extra flirty as well. Take advantage of the constant surprise attacks and your sexy, soaking wet man!

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Slip 'N Slides may have been the token summer toy in the 90's, but they're still for sale. All kinds of Slip 'N Slides can be found on Amazon. They make a great gift, so you can surprise your lover with one and then put it to good use. Chances are, you'll start reminiscing about the fun times you had playing on a Slip 'N Slide as a kid, which will make for an especially romantic date. Don't fret if it's rainy outside: The Slip 'N Slide is fun in the mud too!

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Let your inner child come out to play when you follow this love advice and visit your neighborhood pool. Sunbathing is fun, but laying there in silence next to your partner isn't as exciting as a splash fight or ordering ice cream cones from the snack bar. Indulge in all the things you would've enjoyed when you were younger, and you'll both be overcome with giggles – which we all know is *the* way to bond. If you want to spend the entire day at the pool, pack a picnic, books, and water guns. You'll never have a moment to be bored!

**What were your favorite childhood summer activities? Tell us in the comments below!**

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# Date Idea: Finders Keepers



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The beach is exciting and romantic no matter what, but if you've ever wanted to add an additional air of adventure to your trip, follow this [date idea](#) and try using a metal detector! You and your lover may find some hidden treasures while out and about...or, at the very least, find some less valuable trinkets to laugh about. Metal detecting is something we usually only see on movies and television shows, but in actuality, it's a beloved pastime for a lot of people, many of whom have found it to be very lucrative.

# Dating Advice for Your Next Trip to the Beach

If you are a frequent beach-goer, it's likely you have a routine down every time you visit the shore: Spread out the towel, lather on the sunscreen, hit the water, and then return to sunbathe. Why not add a bit of exploring to your next day at the beach? The level of anticipation will allow you and your honey to grow closer as the excitement grows too.

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For this weekend date idea, you'll want to make sure you know how to use your equipment before you go searching in the sand. Talk to someone at the sporting goods or department store before going wild with your metal detector – you'll need to know all its features in order to achieve optimal results. Researching metal detecting tips beforehand will not only be fun for you and your sweetie, but it'll allow you to enjoy your day even more.

It's important that you pick a proper location when considering this dating advice. Head to a beach that is known to be crowded at times, but go during off-hours. That way, there will be more opportunity for precious metals to be lost, but you won't have to weave in and out of the crowd to find them. Whichever beach you choose, consider speaking with the locals before digging in; they'll have more knowledge on where people have found impressive items in the past.

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To make this date idea even more exciting, have a competition with your loved one to see who can find the most valuable or more ridiculous items. You can even compete to see who can bring back the best gifts for each other. If you really want to make a day out of it, invite other couples to join you in

your treasure hunt.

Ever use a metal detector at the beach? Tell us what you found!

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# Date Idea: Mid-Year Resolutions



By Amanda Boyer and [Mara Miller](#)

It's hard to believe that the year is already halfway over! If you follow this date idea, you and your partner can read over your New Year's resolutions and recommit yourself to those goals. Maybe you have some mid-year resolutions to add to your

list for the remainder of 2019, too.

## Follow This Love Advice and Set Goals for the Remainder of the Year!

First, rewrite your list by dividing it into two categories: those resolutions you've already completed and those you still need to do. Maybe you've lost those stubborn 10 pounds that you gained during the holiday season (go you!), but you're still not exercising enough. Follow this [love advice](#) and talk to your sweetheart about how you can each achieve your individual goals together. For instance, you can meet at the gym after work at least three days each week. Having a plan in place will help you check these remaining resolutions off of your list.

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With this date idea, you can even start accomplishing your objectives right now. If you feel like you need an extra boost to get yourself to workout, download a fun, fast-paced playlist to listen to while you're running. If you prefer to use a treadmill, you can even purchase a season pass of your favorite show on iTunes. Then, only allow yourself to watch *Grey's Anatomy* or *Modern Family* while you're getting your cardio done. If a gym membership is too pricey for you, order a few new Jillian Michaels DVDs from Amazon.

Now that you're on track to finish your January resolutions, it's time to make some new ones, specifically ones to improve your relationship and love! Get creative and think outside of the box. If you're both into amusement park rides, plan to ride every roller coaster at your local park before the summer ends. If you're scared of heights, this weekend date

idea is a great way to conquer your fear with your sweetheart by your side.

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Perhaps you have a more serious resolution in mind. If you need to add more money to your savings account each month, brainstorm ways to cut back. Promise to only eat out once or twice each month and think off ways to spend less at the grocery store. You can also come up with a list of cheap date ideas, like playing with puppies a nearby animal shelter or throwing the frisbee and enjoying a picnic in the park. If your mid-year resolutions allow you and your significant other to spend more time together, that's even better!

By Sunday evening, try to accomplish just one item on your list. That'll motivate you to keep the momentum going for the rest of the year!

**What mid-year resolutions will you and your partner make? Share with us in the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: One, Two, Walk in My Shoes**





By Amanda Boyer and [Mara Miller](#)

Dates with your special someone don't have to be the same week after week. To change up your usual nights of dinner and your favorite television shows, follow your partner during their typical day and be an active part of it. This date idea will not only give you insight into your sweetheart's typical routine, but you'll have new things to talk about when the day is over.

## **Follow Your Honey Around with This Date Idea**

Even if you aren't a morning person, you still have to roll out of bed when your honey's alarm goes off. If he's an early gym-goer, put your exercise gear on. With your beau by your side, you're sure to make it through that grueling workout. You can jump on treadmills next to each other to encourage each other during a warm-up run and then help each other count reps in the weight room. By the end of the workout, you'll forget how much you wanted to hit that snooze button!



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After a shower and some breakfast, it's time to head to work. On this weekend date idea, see if you can go into the office to really see what your partner does every day at work. It'll help you better understand their daily tasks if you're actually there to see them complete them. Plus, it'll be a turn-on to see them so focused and powerful!

Instead of a normal lunch break with their co-workers, follow this love advice: Use this opportunity for an afternoon date together. Ask your partner to take you to their go-to restaurant near work. You've seen them bring home leftovers enough; you'll be excited to finally get to try the yummy food! After you finish eating, if it's nice out, take a romantic stroll before you go back to work.

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When five o'clock rolls around, punch out. Swing by the grocery store if needed and cook a favorite recipe tonight. Since you spent the whole day together, your dinner conversation will be a bit different than usual. Talk about what you learned about your partner today. Tomorrow, you can switch roles and show your significant other how you usually spend *your* day!

**Ever spend the day shadowing your significant other? Share your stories and dating advice below!**

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## **Dating Advice: Celebrate Your**

# Mothers



By Amanda Boyer and [Mara Miller](#)

With Mother's Day around the corner, show your love not only for your mom but for your partner's mom too! With this [dating advice](#), you can spend time getting ready for this special holiday with one of the people you love most. It can help you and your partner bond over your mothers as you talk about childhood memories, pick out the perfect gift, and cook a yummy meal.

## A Mother's Day Date Idea

If you and your significant other want to be sentimental, you can make a day out of crafting for your moms. For projects to

do on this weekend date idea, Pinterest has tons of boards filled with homemade cards, DIY picture frames, and more. You could put together a scrapbook of your favorite photos and write about why each memory is so important to you. Remember that your man may need a little help in the arts and crafts department. Be patient with him as he puts his artistic skills to the test!

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Once you figure out what you both want to create, take a trip to Michaels or a similar store and gather the materials that you need. Head home and get busy! For even more inspiration, consider this dating advice: Pop in a movie about mothers – something like *Because I Said So* or *Steel Magnolias*. Make sure you have some snacks on hand too! You won't realize how quickly time passes when you're having fun with your cutie.

When you're finished crafting, it's time to write a handwritten note for your mom. Tell her what it means to you to have a mother like her and how she's helped shape you into who you are. You can find quotes or poems to use on sites like *QuoteGarden.com*. One quote that is commonly used on Mother's Day cards is: "Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while but their hearts forever."

If you're feeling particularly excited about the holiday, write a card for your partner's mom too. Talk about how well they did raising your sweetheart and what it means to have someone like them in your life. You can even slip in a spa gift card as a sweet surprise!

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For the big day, make reservations for brunch or lunch at a nearby restaurant for you, your beau, and both of your moms. That way, you can spend the day together celebrating the women who mean so much to you! Or, if you're gifted in the

kitchen, cook something special for the four of you. Find out the favorite dish of each mom and incorporate it into a delicious spread. You can also include a favorite item from your childhoods.

Happy Mother's Day!

How do you plan to celebrate Mother's Day this year? Comment below!

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## Date Idea: Hunt for Love



By Amanda Boyer and [Mara Miller](#)

Easter is just around the corner! Who says you can't act like

a kid for the day? Searching for homemade treats and sweet notes from your beau is an easy way to enjoy the holiday and strengthen your relationship.

## Easter Weekend Date Idea

To get started on this [weekend date idea](#), bake some sugar cookies and decorate them with pastel frosting and Easter images, like colorful eggs, bunnies, and spring flowers. If you want to make something a bit more challenging, you can check out Allrecipes.com for recipes for chocolate-covered Easter eggs and rocky road candies. Once they've cooled, wrap them in saran wrap with pretty pink and blue bows. To follow this dating advice, hide them around the house in places your partner may not expect, like the back of his t-shirt drawer or behind his favorite book on the bookshelf. When your man's sweet tooth hits, tell him to start hunting!

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To make this date idea a bit more personal, grab a pen and a pad of paper to write a few love notes. If you have it handy, use Easter or springtime-themed stationery. For inspiration, Google "love quotes" or "famous movie quotes" and steal some lines from your favorite writers and actors. You can tie these sweet sentiments to your baked goodies.

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If you'd rather not hide your presents around the house, create a grown-up Easter basket instead. In addition to your cookies, candies, and love notes, buy your sweetheart that video game he's been wanting or surprise him with a gift card to your go-to date night restaurant.

If you really want to get in the Easter spirit, spend the day with your nieces and nephews or with your friends' children.

Their infectious giggles are sure to get you in the mood for an exciting egg hunt! Even if you don't have little ones, it's a wonderful time to spend with your family. After a morning spent alone with your significant other, get together for a home-cooked brunch and remind yourself of how blessed you are.

Happy Easter!

**How do you celebrate Easter with your love? Tell us your best dating advice in the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: Get Thrifty**



By Amanda Boyer and [Mara Miller](#)

Guys usually can't stand when they're dragged on a shopping trip. They end up complaining as they wait around, holding your purse and bags of brand new clothes. To keep your man interested, put a little twist on your next day out. To follow this [date idea](#) and [dating advice](#), look for gently-used clothing and accessories at your local thrift stores! You can buy budget-friendly items while making some new memories with your other half.

## Go Thrift Store Shopping with This Date Idea!

Before you go shopping for new goodies, go through your own closets and donate items that you no longer need. Many of these shops even offer an in-store credit for donations, which can save you money during your shopping spree. You'll appreciate your new purchases even more if you made some extra room in your closet beforehand!

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Now, it's time to decide where to go on this date idea. Sites like *TheThriftShopper.com* can help you navigate and find stores near you to visit. You simply enter your zip code or city and search for the closest spots near you. Once you get your list, you can check out an array of information about the stores, including what type of clothes they currently have and their hours. As you browse their websites, maybe you'll be inspired to look for 80's gear for an upcoming party or try to find that perfect pair of jeans you've been wanting.

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Once you decide your destination, you can check out other spots nearby by downloading the mobile app, Yelp. After you work up an appetite from shopping, look for one-of-a-kind

restaurants and check out their reviews. You never know what hole-in-the-wall spots could be to-die-for according to the locals.

Have you ever gone thrift shopping with your cutie? Share your memories below!

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## Date Idea: Rain, Rain, Come Out and Play



By Amanda Boyer and [Mara Miller](#)

Sure, it's tempting to snuggle up and stay in bed all day when April showers roll around. Instead of having a lazy, movie-



filled afternoon, follow this [relationship advice](#): Grab your rain jacket and colorful rubber boots, and head outside with your loved one to have fun *without* the sun. You can take a stroll to your favorite coffee shop and then warm up with a hot chocolate.

## Check out this rainy day date idea!

To really embrace the rain, create a water park in your backyard. Put your bathing suit on, set-up a Slip N Slide, and turn those sprinklers on. If you don't have any water toys available, play an old-fashioned game of tag. During this weekend date idea, be careful not to slip on the wet grass and muddy ground! If you really want to get messy, add body paint to the equation and have a color war as the rain and sprinklers splash you and your beau. See who ends up with the most colors on their tie-dyed skin.

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If you prefer not to get so dirty, consider this love advice and go for a swim instead. Walk to your neighborhood pool, and take turns doing your craziest jumps off of the diving board. Pool & Spa Outdoors has a lot of games ideas that you can do with your honey as the rain comes down! Plus, the setting will be so romantic that you can't help but sneak in a smooch or two. Stay safe, and head back inside at the first sign of lightning or thunder.

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You can document your rainy day date by taking pictures. Newer iPhone and Android models are now waterproofed so you don't have to worry about ruining your phone. You can print out your favorite photo and frame it for your living room. It'll be a constant reminder of this fun-filled date – and the next

time that you're faced with a rainy day, you won't even *want* to stay indoors!

**Cupid wants to know:** How do you and your honey embrace a rainy day? Share your comments below.

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## Date Idea: Play All Day



By Ann Luther and [Mara Miller](#)

This weekend, get outside and romp around! Embrace the simple pleasures of childhood with your partner by spending this date idea outside, playing all the games you used to enjoy when you were a kid. Enjoy the weather and your relationship and love with this easy, fun, and cheap date al fresco.

# Embrace Your Inner Kid to Improve Your Relationship and Love with this Date Idea

There are a ton of childhood games that can be just as entertaining for adults when we play them with our significant others. Grab a basketball, head to a local court, and play a game of Horse. Try to create and match wild shots; shoot it from around the back, through your legs, or maybe from half-court with your eyes closed. The loser can buy Slurpees later.

Don't leave the blacktop before you draw out an insane pattern for Hopscotch in chalk. Throw a pebble and see how balanced and agile your partner really is. You'll both be sure to get a laugh out of each game. The silly fun on this weekend date idea may be exactly what you need after a long week at work.

On your walk to get your Slurpee reward, speed it up with some Tag. You can run through yards, weave through buildings, and dash across parking lots. When you're out of breath, you'll have the consolation prize of being caught up in your favorite person's arms. You will, however, be It. Thanks to this expert [relationship advice](#) and all of that mad running around, you might discover places in your town you never knew existed, places you can go back to for your next date.

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When evening hits and you're back at home, you can pull out some speakers and dance in the cool, spring air. Move and shake as the sun sets, and then slow it down for a romantic song or two. When it's finally dark, it's time for some old-fashioned Marco Polo. You don't need a pool to play this game. Under the cover of night, with your eyes closed, call out and feel around for your beau.

You don't always need to behave like an adult to be in an adult relationship and love. Mixing it up with some kiddish antics can be just the kind of fun you're looking for, if only for this weekend.

Have you played around on an outdoor **date? Share your stories below.**

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## Date Idea: Garage Sale



By Ann Luther and [Mara Miller](#)

This weekend, embrace the traditional activity of spring cleaning and host a garage sale together. For this date idea, advertise throughout your community to get rid of all of the

clutter in your homes to make way for the new memories you'll create together. Throwing away, giving away, or selling the items that made up your past says to your partner that you're ready for your future as a couple. It's tough to let go, but you're not using all that old stuff for a reason and if this task seems impossible, you can always hire a [home cleaning service](#) to help!

## Do Some Spring Cleaning With This Weekend Date Idea

Cleaning out your closet can be fun too! Put on a fashion show before you get rid of out of date clothing. You and your beau can laugh at all of those oh-so-wrong statements you made. You can also give your partner a look into the life you lived before you met him, which is another special thing to share.

If you're thinking of moving in together, follow this [expert dating advice](#): Make a list of all the essentials you both have at your respective residences. You won't need two things like vacuums, brooms, dust pans, dish drying racks, tool boxes, shower curtains, and sets of pots and pans. Keep the best of everything (just like you do in your relationship!), be rid of the rest, and make enough money to go to a fancy restaurant after the garage sale is over.

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This weekend date idea allows you to soak up the magnificent weather by getting out and plastering your town with flyers about your garage sale. You might make a competition out of it: See who can post flyers down either side of the block faster. Post a picture of the winner and the flyer on social media to advertise your sale and to show off your happy relationship to your friends and family. To further your sale's exposure, [Garagesalestracker.com](#) is a great forum

to inform the surrounding areas that you'll be open for business.

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On the afternoon of the sale, bring out some speakers and a bottle of wine to make the long day more bearable. The fun atmosphere will bring more people to your lawn, and you can dance with your man in between transactions. Whatever you don't sell, you can donate to Goodwill, The Salvation Army, or another charitable organization. Thanks to this love advice, when the day is done, you'll have more space, more money, and more fun memories.

**Have you ever gotten rid of junk to make space for your partner? Share your stories below.**

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## **Date Idea: Bookworms**





By Ann Luther and [Mara Miller](#)

This weekend, get lost in the romantic words of others and embrace the tender sentiments of the great writers with your great relationship and love. With this date idea, you and your partner can get out and explore your favorite authors, your city, and your passion for one another.

## **Enjoy Books About Love With This Literary Date Idea**

Take a walk to your local bookstore with your beau, a stack of Post-it notes, and a pen. Write notes of love, encouragement, or dating advice until your hands cramp up. While you're writing, exchange ideas with each other – you might learn something new about your man's perspective on adoration. Then, hide these notes in your favorite books about love for a future reader to find later. You might even sneak into the teen section of the store and place them in books for the next generation of lovers.

While the pair of you are scanning the rows, try to find a romantic novel that neither of you has read yet. A few of the best so far in 2019 include: *Meet Cute* by Helena Hunting, *Verity* by Colleen Hoover, and *The Kiss Thief* by L.J. Shen. This will keep the date going long after the day is done. You might buy one copy and read it to each other, or you can buy two copies to read separately with the other person in mind. Whichever you choose, you'll have something new to talk about and share.

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Few things go better with reading than coffee. Delocator.net is a fabulously easy way to find independently owned and run businesses in your area. Once you've settled into your seats in an intimate coffee shop, pull out a book of sweet love poems. Grab your darling's hand and read those poems aloud. Your honey will love to hear all of those romantic notions straight from your lips! You can check this list of the top 10 love poem books before you go and choose a few that speak to you.

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If you'd prefer to stay in, you don't have to leave the comfort of your home for this date idea! You can make a pot of coffee or tea, and while it brews, hide love notes in every room for your partner to find. Then, the two of you can cuddle up on the couch with your mugs and poems and start the readings. It would be a perfect way to heat up a rainy day.

Sometimes, we get too afraid to let all of the emotion in the books we read to take over our own relationships and love. This weekend, let go of all apprehension and have fun with romance!

**Have you ever been on a bookstore date? Share your stories below.**



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# Date Idea: Plant Some Roots



By Ann Luther and [Mara Miller](#)

Spring has sprung! Flowers are blooming everywhere – and so are your feelings for your partner. Take advantage of this beautiful season with this weekend date idea. You can plant seeds in the ground *and* each other's hearts!

## Plant a Garden for This Weekend Date Idea

Go for a drive with the windows down and hunt the neighborhood

for inspiration for your garden to follow this [relationship advice](#). You can check out the lawn of other residents, hanging baskets in front of local storefronts, and the wild vegetation peeking out everywhere you turn. You might even try going to a nearby park and taking a stroll. The park will be full of blossoming flowers, native grasses, and intricate landscaping. Before you leave, stop and pick up a dandelion, make a wish for you and your lovebird, and blow!

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On this date idea, you can pick out plants based on their meanings and what you want your garden to convey. Jasmine signifies eternal love, and agrimony flowers stand for thankfulness. Coriander is a sign of lust, while sweet peas smell fantastic and symbolize gratitude. Oxeye daisies are lovely representations of patience. With a little research and the right intentions, you can create a garden that ushers in much more than beauty into your lives.

Once you and your beau are fully inspired, learn which plants grow best in your area. Provenwinner.com is a great resource for area-determinant gardening. Then, it's off to the local gardening store for you two! Stock up on all the supplies you'll need— like shovels, gloves, potting soil, and, of course, whatever seeds or plants you picked out. Be sure to pick up some pretty pots to add a bit of color to your front porch too!

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If none of the pots fit your fancy, purchase normal clay pots and make a quick trip to the craft store for some acrylic paint and a few paint brushes on the way home. Get to gardening, but before you start on the potted plants, take your paint and brushes and decorate the pots! You can paint hearts or design something more abstract. It doesn't have to be precise; it just has to be colorful. On the bottom of the

pots, paint the date to make sure you'll never forget.

Take your time today. Enjoy the sun, the breeze, and your relationship and love. Winter felt like it lasted forever, and summer will be here in no time, so bask in the beautiful weather of the spring. As the seasons roll on, you'll have your sweet garden to remind you of this weekend date idea.

**Have you ever planned a gardening date? Share your stories below!**

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## **Date Idea: Explore Love on a Road Trip**





By [Sarah Batcheller](#) and [Mara Miller](#)

After a stressful week, you just want to unwind and spend quality time with your partner. So pack a light bag, jump in the car, and head out on a road trip! Taking to the open road is bound to be an experience to remember; it's a great way to spend quality time together and explore your relationship and love. It shouldn't take too much planning, but in order to enjoy your journey, there are a few things you need to keep in mind.

## **Road Trip Your Way to a Stronger Relationship and Love**

The first step is to choose a few destinations. For this date idea, you and your partner should select places not too far or too close to home. One great idea is to visit a popular city in your state or a neighboring state. If you don't have any preferences, ask friends who have been on road trips. It's always a great idea to get dating advice and personal recommendations from your loved ones – that way, you can also

get information on the best places to eat, lodge, and just have a good time!

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Deciding where to go has a lot to do with you and your boo's personalities. If you're music junkies, you might want to hit up Nashville, Tennessee. Or maybe you're history buffs, and you want to see the marvelous Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Your chosen spot depends on the kind of romance you want to stir up as well. You may want to pick a place that's known for its party scene or somewhere with a beautiful, breathtakingly-silent landscape.

Once the destination has been chosen, it's time to get your suitcase out. Several items you should take with you on this weekend date idea are music you both enjoy, a GPS or map, books, snacks, drinks, a first aid kit, some clothes (be sure to check the weather!), and cash or credit card.

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In order to enjoy the road trip and make the most of your relationship and love, give yourself sufficient time to check out your destination spot as well as places you pass through. Take pictures and keep receipts as souvenirs. With these tips and the right planning, you'll be ready to take another road trip next weekend!

**Do you have any suggestions about road tripping with your sweetheart? Share with our readers by commenting below.**

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# Date Idea: Stroll Through a Museum



By [Sarah Batcheller](#) and [Mara Miller](#)

Searching for an exciting date idea this weekend? Plan a trip to a local museum! You can spend the entire day with your significant other and get an educational and entertaining experience at the same time.

## Head to a Museum for a Culturally-Influenced Date Idea

When choosing which museum to visit, think about your interests. If you want to learn more about a specific event in

history, such as the Holocaust, find a museum that has a section for that. Do you live in Washington, D.C.? The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is one of the best Holocaust museums in America. If your man is a space or aviation fanatic, follow this [love advice](#) and take him to the National Air and Space Museum, also in D.C., on your next weekend date idea.

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If you're more fascinated with contemporary art, the New Museum in New York is the best place to go. It even has a Sky Room that provides a stunning view of Manhattan's skyline. If you live in Chicago, the Museum of Contemporary Art is also on the list of top ten museums in America.

Planetariums and aquariums make for great date ideas too. The American Museum of Natural History in New York exhibits a variety of shows in their planetarium, ranging from outer space to the function of the brain. The New York Aquarium is also popular. From sea lions to sharks, you'll certainly stay busy!

Museums are great because of all the opportunity for conversation, especially if you're going on a first date. Still, whether it's your first or fifty-first outing together, there's always something fun to enjoy. Strolling down various corridors and stumbling upon new exhibits will give you and your partner time to bond over your mutual fascination for the museum's focus. The quietness of a museum makes for good romance too, and it'll cause you to feel closer to your partner. While immersed in a century-old Greek oil painting, the two of you will feel like you're the only ones in the room, like you're in an entirely different world.

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Once you're tired of hushed voices and "Do Not Touch" signs, you can head over to the cafe or bakery that many museums

typically offer their guests. There, you'll be able to discuss all the wonders you've seen and continue your conversation. Don't forget to stop by the gift shop on your way out and pick up a memento of your day!

**Do you have any great museums, planetariums or aquariums in mind? Share your date idea with us!**

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## **Date Idea: Romance at a Resort**



By [Sarah Batcheller](#) and [Mara Miller](#)

It's time to escape your everyday burdens and have a romantic



getaway with your beau. Pamper yourselves and enjoy time away from the office and with each other by venturing off to a resort. This [weekend date idea](#) will allow you to retreat to a relaxing place and rejuvenate your relationship and love for one another.

## **Find out how to indulge fully in a resort weekend with these date ideas!**

Heat things up in this cold weather! Why not head to a fun spot like the Hamptons or Montauk and spend the days and nights on the beach with the one who makes you happy? Check out sites like LivingSocial or Groupon for deals on weekend getaways. You *can* have a vacation that won't break the bank. If you literally want to heat things up, travel somewhere with a warmer climate, like The Keys, for this date idea.

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Once you arrive at your destination, make a bonfire on the beach, melt some s'mores, and snuggle up. Soak in all there is about where you are. One morning, be sure to order breakfast in bed – there's nothing better than being comfy with your boo while sipping your morning coffee and watching the sunrise from the sheets. Talk about a great start to the day! After all, the point of this [dating advice](#) is to do what you can't do when you're tied down with work and other responsibilities. Take some time to do nothing except appreciate the company of your significant other.

Many resort locations offer a variety of romantic activities for couples, like dance lessons, horseback riding, couples massages, or private yoga. Any of these will add some edge and spark to this weekend date idea. If you'd rather follow the

trail of spontaneity, just explore your destination. If you prefer a laid-back day, head to the pool to soak up some rays. There's bound to be poolside service at any spa resort, so the two of you could comfortably spend all day basking in each other's arms.

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Afterward, have a candlelight dinner for two on your balcony. Talk about your trip so far and what you've enjoyed most about your time away. No matter where you go, having a romantic resort getaway is a great way to spend some quality time with the one you love.

**Tell Cupid about your favorite resort spots in the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: Dance the Night Away**





By [Courtney Shapiro](#) and Sarah Batcheller

Sure, going to the movies and grabbing burgers is a relaxing and tasty [date night](#)...or it's just plain boring. But don't worry! Better nights are just around the corner. Prove to your sweetheart that you can go the extra mile for them by scheduling dance lessons this week. With this [date idea](#), you get to shake and show off while fitting in your daily exercise. Plus, you get to be close and personal with your significant other. Take this [relationship advice](#) and go dancing with your partner.

## Use This Date Idea to Reconnect With Your Beau

If you're searching for something romantic with this date idea, try ballroom or Argentine tango. Not sure what the differences are? A ballroom tango is a type of dance that you've seen on *Dancing with the Stars*. There are certain moves you must learn – from underarm turns to alternating hand holds to side-by-side choreography. If you and your partner prove to

be particularly talented on the dance floor, you can even enter competitions.

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The Argentine tango is a social dance, and because there aren't any steps involved, it relies on improvisation. In short, it means that you and your mate can learn how to dance it quickly. You can go out that night and display your new moves at a nearby nightclub or bar!

If you follow this relationship advice and want to do something that's fun and sexy, try salsa. Although couples don't embrace as much as they do in a tango, dancers hold hands most of the time and remain in one spot, often swapping back and forth. If this idea appeals to you, then get ready for all the hip wiggling and spins you'll face! Salsa is a great style for those who just want to be eye-to-eye while dancing with their honey.

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If you still aren't sure which dancing lessons to take for this weekend date idea, see these dances in action. Check out videos on Youtube.com, or you may consider taking a beginners class for all three dances. That way, you can compare the pros and cons of each style and pick out which one is best for you and your beau.

**Have you and your special someone taken dance lessons before? Let us know by commenting below!**

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# Beauty Trend: Create Yoga Skin for Your Next Date Night



by [Mara Miller](#)

Need some [date night](#) makeup inspiration? Yoga Skin is a new [beauty trend](#) meant to give yourself fresh, glowy skin without actual yoga involved. Sara Hill created the trend in a video she posted on Instagram and it went viral because of the technique's blending of makeup and skincare products. The sheer to minimal coverage makes your skin appear healthy and natural.

**This look gives off the feeling**

# that you just stepped out of a yoga studio. Here's how to achieve your own dewy-fresh, natural looking Yoga Skin.

**1. Follow your usual morning skin routine:** You don't need to do anything else different for the first step. Use what works, because your skin thrives on routine.

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**2. Use silicone-free primer:** Silicone primer acts like spackle for your pores by filling them in. This kind of primer can cause breakouts if not removed properly at the end of the day. Silicone-free, in this case, is better, because you are working with cream and water-based makeup and it doesn't clog your pores, avoiding any build-up.

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**3. Start creating the mixture:** You're creating a mix for your face with 3-4 pumps of a foundation, a drop of facial oil, a drop of liquid highlighter, and the optional glow drops. If you have oily skin, use less skincare products and more foundation. If you have dry skin, you can add moisturizer. Sheer to medium coverage liquid foundation is best for this look. Some water-based foundations also have additional nutrients in the formula to help your skin.

Not all oils are bad for your face. Facial oils penetrate the skin, depositing added nutrients into the skin and plumping it. Again, just be mindful of your skin type before choosing one.

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**4. Massage the mixture into your skin:** You can use your hands for this to help it sink into your skin. Remember, this is natural, so the mixture doesn't just sit on top of your face. The look is buildable and won't have the packed-on foundation effect that can sometimes happen with other foundations and powders.

**5. Concealer:** Use liquid or cream concealer only where you need it, like your T-zone or under your eyes if you have dark circles. You can apply it with a fluffy brush for an even application, or use the tips of your ring fingers for a softer, blended look.

**6. For the rest of your makeup application:** Be mindful that this is a creamy, fresh, natural look, so use very little powder, although a tiny bit when you are finished applying the foundation is acceptable. If you use powder, tap as much of the powder off of your brush as possible and be careful not to cake it on. Some lipstick with a cream-like consistency can act as a light cheek color in place of powdered blushes to complement the look.

**7. Make sure the setting spray you use is alcohol-free:** Alcohol can have a drying effect on your skin and take away the shine, so it's best to choose a setting spray that will make your makeup stay with the healthy glow the Yoga Skin technique creates.

**Do you like the natural, glowy look of Yoga Skin? What tips do you have for creating the natural look?**

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# Date Idea: Embrace the Cold Weather



By [Mara Miller](#)

With your flip flops in storage and warm weather a distant memory, it's easy to spend your weekends under a warm comforter, reading a book together or flipping through the channels for [date night](#). Although binge-watching *Orange Is the New Black* and ordering a pepperoni pizza can be great at times, your love life shouldn't cool down just because the temperature is declining. Instead, use this [weekend date idea](#) to take advantage of the season by embracing winter activities that you can only enjoy once or twice a year.



# Relationship Advice: Winter Activities for Your Next Date Idea

**1. Try something new and go tubing:** Whether you're a pro or haven't been on the mountain since you were a kid, it's one way to keep your pulse pumping with your partner. Most ski resorts offer this activity, and since you have the option to stay a few hours or an entire weekend, coasting down a hill just may turn into that surprising [romantic getaway](#) that you've been craving.

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**2. Create some fun in your own backyard:** Get all bundled up, venture outside, and make snow angels or build snowmen with your cutie. Better yet, when your mate turns their back, you'll have the chance to start a snowball fight. A little activity and some healthy competition will keep your blood flowing even during the coldest of days. Being silly with your sweetheart is important, and playing in the snow is a great way to do it.

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**3. Warm up after your outdoor adventure:** Heat up some good old-fashioned hot apple cider. If you're feeling frisky, spike it with some Fireball whiskey. A warm drink with the one you love is the perfect end to a day filled with fun winter activities!

**How do you and your beau keep busy during the colder months? Tell us in the comments below!**

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# Date Idea: Spend an Intimate Night Indoors



By [Sarah Batcheller](#) and Ché Blackwood

If you're craving a romantic [date night](#) but don't want to spend a fortune or you're tired of the same-old restaurant scene, then get creative and bring the excitement of a night out into your own home! There's no reason you and your partner can't share an intimate evening dancing and dining together without breaking the bank. With this weekend [date idea](#), your dining room can rival even the fanciest of dinners.

## How to Plan a Date Idea at Home

**Pick out something sexy to wear for your beau:** Just because

you're at home doesn't mean you shouldn't get dolled up. In fact, staying in means you can actually dress a little nicer than usual. This is one time when you can feel free to overdress (or under dress) for the occasion. No matter what, you want to feel beautiful and comfortable!

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**Share a drink to kick the night off:** Stop by your local winery or liquor store and ask the manager to choose a good bottle of red for the best value. When you buy wine directly from the store rather than at a restaurant, the prices are drastically reduced, leaving you with a higher-priced bottle for a lesser cost. If you really want to go all out, purchase a few different bottles and have your own wine tasting. Just pop the cork, swirl your glass, and pretend your kitchen table is the most coveted spot in the house.

Cupid's [dating advice](#): take the night to the next level and plan a special menu to cook together. Choose a unique recipe to really test your culinary talents or remake the first meal the two of you ever shared together. Be sure that your dinner pairs well with your wine of choice. Red meat and pasta taste great with a full-bodied Merlot!

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**After you've wined and dined, relax:** Fortunately, you don't have to go very far! Run a bubble bath for two if you really want to get the romance flowing, or curl up on the couch with popcorn and watch a movie with your sweetie. The comforts of being home mixed with the luxuries of a passionate date will leave you feeling refreshed and swept off your feet, without any looming stress over next month's credit card bill!

**How do you like to spice up a night at home? Tell us in the comments below!**

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# Date Idea: Ice Skating Adventure



By Sarah Batcheller and Jessica DeRubbo

This weekend, embrace the dropping temperatures and head to an outdoor ice skating rink to be romantic with your sweetheart! You don't have to be an Olympic skater to enjoy a day on the ice, and it may even work to your benefit if you need a little help. For this weekend date idea, either take lessons with your partner or use your inexperience as an excuse to hold your man's hand for support as you glide across the floor. No need to be embarrassed if you or your mate takes a fall. After all, it'll only make for great laughs later!

# How to Enjoy This Ice Skating Date Idea

When you're ready for a break, head over to the snack bar. Hot chocolate will warm you both up and give you time to connect. If you need an energy boost, buy some popcorn or candy (or both!) to munch on too.

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Ice skating rinks always play music, and most of them designate a romantic song or two so that couples can skate together. When you hear your favorite love tune, it's your cue to take your partner's hand and glide to the rhythm of the beat. The slower pace and quieter atmosphere will also allow the two of you to spend some time talking while you skate. That way, the date is still focused on the two of you rather than focused on not making a fool of yourself!

If you're feeling especially adventurous before you embark on this date idea, use your time on the ice rink to play a little hockey with your partner. Once you've learned to maintain balance, you can amp up the energy and fun by going one-on-one. Just make sure you've got all the right gear for warmth and safety!

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Remember to check with your local rink before you go. Sometimes, they have private parties or teen nights. You don't want to be in a scenario that you weren't anticipating, especially if it means a crowded floor with screaming kids whizzing by. Plan accordingly to make the date just right.

**Let us know about your ice skating adventure in the comments below!**

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# Date Idea: Warm Up By Exercising This Winter



By [Sarah Batcheller](#) and [Jessica DeRubbo](#)

With colder weather still ahead and beach season behind us, hitting the gym seems pretty daunting. If you and your honey want to stay fit, working out together is a fabulous weekend date idea. Experts say that having an exercise partner can help improve your results, so why not use this relationship advice and choose your main squeeze as a workout companion?

# Relationship Advice: How to Stay Fit with Your Partner

First, set a day and time each week for you and your partner to be active together. Whether you're on an indoor track or embracing the crisp air by walking outside, get your cardio in by teaming up. You can begin by strolling along while chatting, then increase your speed and compete with one another during a run. Exercising with your significant other allows you to spend quality time doing something healthy. Plus, you can get back on track after the holidays!

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Another weekend date idea is to test your flexibility at a Bikram Yoga class, which entails 2 sets of 26 poses done for 90 minutes in a room heated to 105 degrees. The warmth will help you fully stretch your muscles and get the most out of your workout time. Staying in the room, known as the "torture chamber," is a challenge, but by going in with your partner, you'll push yourself to last until the final minute. Don't forget to bring along a bottle of water to keep yourself hydrated and a towel to wipe the sweat out of your eyes!

**Related Link:** [Date Idea: Spa Vacation](#)

Exercising with your other half isn't just a great way to improve your health. It also allows you to spend time with the person you love. So follow this relationship advice and get moving!

**Do you have a workout plan with your partner? Let us know below!**

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# Date Idea: Relax and Reflect



By Sarah Batcheller and [Jessica DeRubbo](#)

This holiday weekend, wind down from all the excitement of the New Year and spend some time alone with your significant other. Instead of watching old films or picking up a new book, consider this [dating advice](#) to improve your relationship: Bond with your partner by snuggling up by the fire, cherishing old memories, celebrating how far you've come, and talking about where you'd like to be in the future.

## Follow This Date Idea to Improve Your Relationship and Love in the



# New Year

For this relaxing [date idea](#), find the place that helps you unwind the most. Perhaps it's by your fireplace, listening to the crackle of the logs and admiring the glow. Maybe it's on the swing overlooking the lake in your backyard. Once you've picked a spot, fill a picnic basket with some cheese, crackers, fresh fruit, and dark chocolate. Grab a bottle of your favorite wine (we suggest Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, or Pinot Noir to warm you— all perfect for the winter!) and settle in to talk with each other. Don't forget to bring a cozy blanket to keep you warm!

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Next, use your intimate time together to think critically about your past and future. Think of some professional goals that you've set and accomplished in previous years, and gather new ones that you want to achieve. Talk about why you chose these resolutions and why it's important for you to stick with them. When following this love advice, encourage each other to commit to your respective goals; discuss how your relationship can strengthen your goal setting and how achieving your objectives will better your partnership.

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Take advantage of this date idea and talk about your relationship too. Look at where you were last year as a couple and decide what you and your sweetheart want to work on for the next twelve months. Set goals for events or activities that will better your relationship or even just add some spice to it! Discuss what you both want and think of ways to get there as a team. Plan to do yoga together twice a week or visit a new restaurant together every other Friday night. Even the small ideas will help you start off the year on the right foot – with intimacy, love, and a whole new set of plans!

What are some of your New Year's resolutions? Comment below and tell us.

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## Movie Review: Dance along to 'Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again'



By [Haley Lerner](#)

In this entertaining comedy, which releases in theaters on July 20, 2018, 10 years after the events of *Mamma Mia!*, Sophie (played by Amanda Seyfried) is pregnant with her fiancé Sky's child on the Greek island of Kalokairi while running her mother's villa. But, Sophie is unsure she can do it all by

herself, so she enlists the guidance of her mother Donna's friends and former bandmates, Tanya and Rosie (played by Christine Baranski and Julie Walters, respectively). Throughout the movie, Sophie learns more about Donna (played by Meryl Streep, with Lily James as Young Donna) and how she met each one of Sophie's dads (Pierce Brosnan, Stellan Skarsgård and Colin Firth) and raised her daughter bravely on her own, without a mother's guidance. Of course, things are turned upside down by a surprise visit by Sophie's grandmother, Ruby Sheridan (played by Cher).

***Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again* is all about the love between family and the true connection of a mother's bond with her daughter. Keep reading for our [movie review](#) and some tips on how to manage the stress of a first pregnancy:**

#### **Should you see it:**

Yes! This fun musical romantic comedy is filled with fun ABBA songs that will make you want to dance out of your seat. The romantic storylines and bond between a mother and daughter will truly make you fall in love with the movie.

#### **Who to take:**

Seeing this movie is the perfect [date idea](#) for you and your special someone. The movie is romantic, but also tons of fun! Grab some popcorn and a soda and cuddle up with your beau in the theater for this exciting rom com.

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

Being pregnant with your first child is incredibly stressful. Cupid has some tips to help make it easier for you:

**1. Reach out for help:** You don't need to struggle alone in your pregnancy! Reach out to your close family and friends, just like Sophie did. They can help you get through all the rough patches and lend you the advice you need for raising your child.

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**2. Prepare in advance:** Before actually giving birth to your baby, make sure everything at your home is ready for your bundle of joy's arrival. Make sure your baby's room is all setup, you've got plenty of diapers and you know the route to the hospital. It's never too early to start nesting!

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**3. Take a breath:** We know, having your first child is definitely scary. But take a deep breath and realize that you don't have to be a perfect parent right away. It's okay if you make mistakes, you're only human. You worrying so much is a clear sign your child is going to be raised in extremely caring hands!

**Have any more tips on having your first child? Comment below!**

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## **Expert Dating Advice: Date Ideas for Spring Love**



By [Joshua Pompey](#)

If you are a New Yorker like me, it often feels like winter will never come to an end. Believe it or not, it was snowing in April this year! While this can be frustrating, it only makes the arrival of Spring all the more sweeter. As an added bonus, spring is an incredible time for dating if you use the [expert dating advice](#) below. Try these spring [date ideas](#) from [relationship expert](#) Joshua Pompey that will help you and your loved one make the most of this season!

## Expert Dating Advice to Ignite a Spring Love!

Spring serves as a symbolic fresh start. With the sun shining and the flowers blooming, all is renewed in the world again. Take advantage of the feel-good vibes and enjoy some

outdoor date ideas that tap into these endorphins.

**1. Check out a ball game:** Nothing says spring more than going to a ballgame. Even if you're not a fan of sports, the atmosphere at a game is infectious. There is a reason baseball is called America's favorite pastime: the cheering, the weather, the nostalgia. It all makes for a terrific date night. Indulge in some good old fashioned American food, have a few drinks, and don't forget the songs, chanting, and seventh-inning stretch.

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**2. Go to the park:** There are so many ways to enjoy a day at the park. Bring a basket full of cheeses, fruits, nuts and a bottle of wine for a romantic picnic. Try tossing around a Frisbee like you're kids again. Relax on a blanket and people watch on a beautiful day. And of course, the conversation of a great date will make the time unforgettable. Explore each others' interests, ask about old childhood memories, and discover something new about your love.

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**3. Find a roof top:** Roof top bars or restaurants with a nice view tend to make incredible dates. What more can you really ask for when you see the city skyline? If you can't find a rooftop, a restaurant with a nice patio is a great backup plan.

**4. Head to the dog park:** This may not apply to all of you out there, but nothing will bond people quicker than an adorable dog. A dog tends to make the ultimate wing man (or woman!), and if your date has a dog, you will be guaranteed a great time outside. Who doesn't feel light-hearted around four-legged creatures that only want to please people? Take turns tossing a ball or playing tug of war. Befriending your date's pet is a win in every dating book.

For more expert dating advice from [Joshua Pompey](#), click [here](#).