#### Date Idea: Laugh Out Loud Fun





By <u>Delaney Gilbride</u>

Are you searching for new <u>date ideas</u> this weekend? If you're having trouble coming up with fun new ways to spend your weekend off with your honey...

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

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

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

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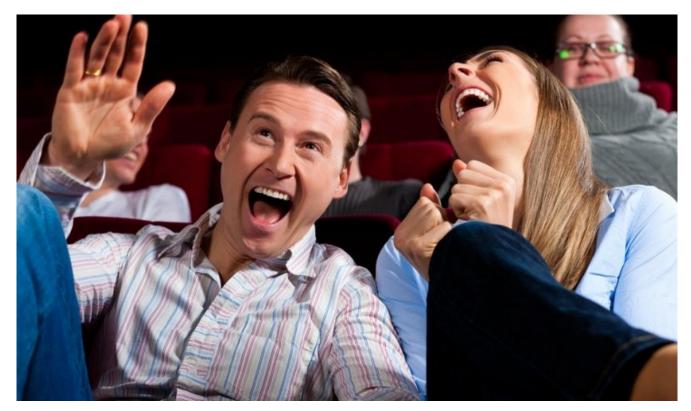
Perhaps the best place to have the most fun (and the best laughs) is a comedy club. Emerging comedians, as well as the well-known stand-up celebrities, will make your <u>date night</u> entertaining!

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

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

#### Date Idea: Get Close with Nature





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Are you searching for new, exciting <u>date ideas</u> this weekend because you and your honey are sick of going to the same place and doing the same things time and time again?

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

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

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

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

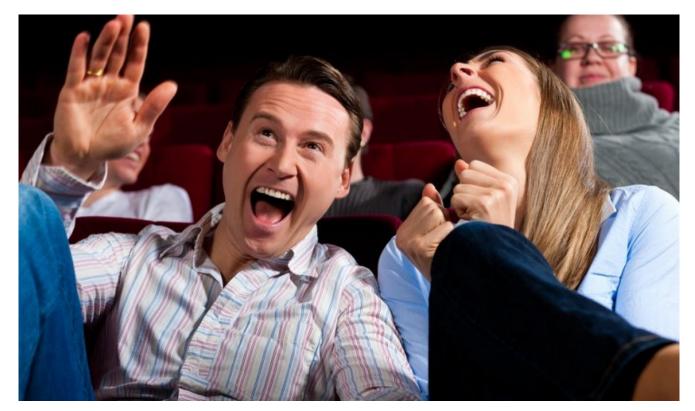
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If you're feeling adventurous, plan a camping trip with your sweetheart. This is the best way to see nature: a variety of animals, foliage, the noises from lakes and ponds nearby, and stars scattered across the night sky. Go rafting in the morning,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

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

#### Date Idea: Spring Into Romance





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The last mounds of snow are melting, flowers are blooming, and the warm weather is *finally* returning. After suffering through weeks of winter, why wouldn't we be ecstatic when spring arrives? The best part about this time of year is that there are endless places to enjoy the spring <u>date ideas</u> you've been dreaming about all winter.

### Why is it that spring is such a great dating season? We're glad you asked!

You've spent a good three months sitting at home beside the fire finding activities to do with your significant other indoors. Perhaps, the two of you have gone a bit stir crazy being stuck inside for so long. Why not make up for all those tedious hours and take your partner on a cruise around town? Rent a couple of bikes, enjoy the scenery of budding plants, and check out the various events that are taking place around

town. End the date by having lunch at a local restaurant.

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If you'd rather get out of town, plan a day trip with your partner and hit the road! Be on the look out for cities, or even states, where exciting events are occurring. Better yet, choose an activity that you're both dying to do and then find a place that provides it. If you want to go horseback riding look up farm and ranches nearby. If you'd rather go skydiving, then find a provider near you.

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If you and your sweetheart prefer having a relaxing outdoor date, plan on having a picnic in a park or on the beach. Pack a lunch basket and have a barbeque! These are great examples of how to enjoy the coming of spring.

Have a favorite spring date of your own? Comment below and share with our readers.

### Date Idea: Embrace a Physical Activity





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Are you and your boo running out of <u>date ideas</u> for your regular weekend <u>date nights</u>? It's important that you and your significant other spend time together on the weekends after a long week of work — you have to decompress! So, if you're tired of going on the same date time and time again, take our <u>love advice</u> by embracing any type of physical activity. Regardless of whether or not you and your partner are sports junkies, it's good to be active while spending time together!

In lieu of playing an actual sport, which may not be every couple's cup of tea, there are tons of physical activities that can help shake things up and keep the dynamic fresh:

Looking for a fun group activity? Sporty dates are a great way

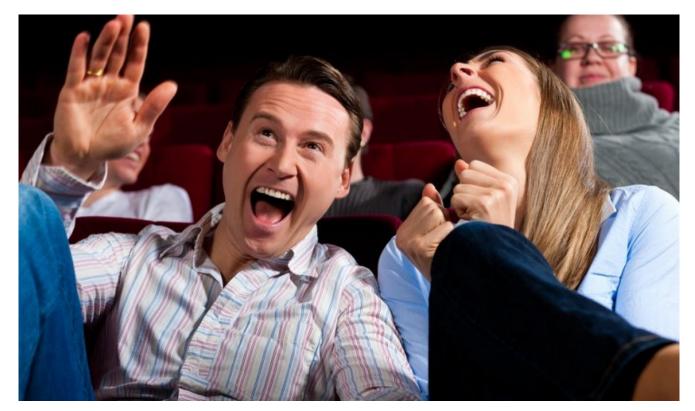
to socialize. Round up a few other couples and go bowling! Bowling alleys across the country are re-designing themselves with music, restaurants and bars to cater to adults looking for an enjoyable night out. Check out <u>Lucky Strike Lanes</u>; they have locations all across the country and have perfected the art of turning bowling into a classy, celebratory event.

Interested in something more personal and romantic? Ice skating is a much loved standby, and for good reason. You and your significant other can hold hands while circling the rink, and warm up afterwards with spiced cider or hot chocolate.

Have a favorite semi-sports date of your own? Comment below and share with our readers.

#### Date Idea: Learn a New Sport Together





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Are you and your significant other sports junkies? Do you watch your favorite sports together all the time? Well, instead of watching or playing the usual on your date nights, why not spice it up a bit and learn about a new sport this weekend? When choosing which sports to watch, make a list of all the ones you and your partner are interested in learning. Then, you can narrow your choices down from there. However, if you can't put your finger on what you and your boo want to learn...

# Here's a list of three unique sports that are interesting to learn, fun to watch, and exciting to play:

1. Team Handball: This sport is a combination of basketball and soccer. The game involves two teams of six players and one goalie. Each team passes a ball and tries to throw it into

their opponent's goal. The team with the most goals after two 30-minute halves wins the game.

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2. Polo: In Polo, players on horseback move a ball into their opponent's goal by using a long wooden mallet. Each team has four players who have specific responsibilities throughout the game. The main purpose of the game is to score the most goals by hitting the ball through the goal.

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3. Cricket: This sport is extremely similar to baseball, and it's played with two teams of 11 on an oval-shaped outdoor area. The centre of the area has a rectangular 22-yard-long pitch with a wicket (a set of three wooden stumps) at each end. To score a run, a striker must hit the ball and run to the opposite end of the pitch, while his non-striking partner runs to his end. Both runners must touch the ground behind the popping crease with either their bat or their body to get a run.

Have a favorite sports date of your own? Comment below and share with our readers. Until then, enjoy your next weekend date!

### Romantic Getaway: Philadelphia Food and Wine

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With warmer weather just around the corner, you and your boo may be itching to get out of the house and adventure to somewhere new. If that's the case, how does a <u>romantic getaway</u> to Philadelphia sound? Romance and Philly aren't really known to go hand-in-hand unless someone's referencing their understandable obsession with Philly's famous cheesesteaks — we totally get that. However, over the past couple years Philadelphia has been making its mark as the newest, hottest place for food, beer, and wine festivals. What's more romantic than you and your love sipping on wine and nibbling on goodies on a sunny day? Thanks to <u>eventbrite.com</u>, Cupid's here to tell you all about the very best food and wine festivals happening this year in the Philly area.

Be pampered like <u>celebrity couples</u> and buy tickets to one of the following Philadelphia Food and Wine Festivals in 2017 — you can't go wrong!

1. Phoenixville Beer & Wine Festival 2017 (Saturday, May 13): Take our relationship advice and attend Phoenixville's fist annual Beer & Wine Festival with your honey! Located at Kimberton Fairgrounds in Phoenixville, PA, you and your boo will be able to enjoy unlimited sampling of beer and wine from 12:00 PM-4:30 PM for the fair price of \$10-\$65 a ticket. The sampling includes 80+ craft beers and 36+ wines with a free tasting glass souvenir for each ticket holder. If you so choose to spend the extra money to indulge in everything VIP, you and your boo will be able to enjoy chocolate and cheese pairing with your wine and beer throughout the afternoon. The event includes live music and rockin' food including Dump-N-Roll, the Surf & Turf Truck, and Uncle B's BBQ. It's the perfect way to jump right into Summer!

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2. 2017 Taste of Kutztown Wine and Beer Tasting (Saturday, June 10): Get a true taste of Pennsylvania by attending the 8th annual Taste of Kutztown Wine and Beer Tasting at the Kutztown Community Park in Kutztown, PA. From 12:00 PM-5:00 PM you'll be able to sample 16 local wineries from their hometown of Pennsylvania along with 10+ breweries. This widely anticipated event also includes an array of food tucks, artisan venders, and soulful music you'll be dancing along with into the night. You have the choice to buy tickets ranging from \$20-\$225 depending on the amount of people that

will be joining you and/or your decision on obtaining general admission or VIP tickets. VIP ticket holders are allowed an additional 30 minutes of sampling prior to the opening of the event.

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- 3. 2017 Run Now Wine Later 5K and Festival (Sunday, September 10): This is the perfect date idea if you and your boo are into running off your booze! The 5th annual Run Now Wine Later 5K and Festival starts at 9:00 AM with the beginning of the race and ends at 12:00 PM as runners finish up their fill of wine. With ticket ranging from \$20-\$55, contestants run throughout the picturesque town of New Hope, PA straight to Bucks County Play House to mark the start of food and wine tasting. Not into running? No problem, you have the option of buying a ticket that does not include participating in the 5K. Instead, you'll be able to relax with your choice of wine while enjoying a beautiful waterfront view.
- 4. Philadelphia Food, Wine and Spirits TASTE Festival 2017 (Friday, October 13 Sunday, October 15): As Summer comes to a close enjoy what's left of it by attending the 18th annual Philadelphia Food, Wine and Spirits TASTE Festival in King of Prussia, PA. This three day event takes place at the Valley Forge Casino Resort and starts at 6:00 PM Friday and ends at 4:00 PM Sunday. Tickets range from \$50-\$65 as ticket holders will enjoy 150+ local and national vendors selling and sampling food and wine, 50+ wine and spirit sampling stations, 20+ food demos and book signings with celebrity chefs. The food is known to be as gourmet as it gets; the chefs range from locals to celebrities every year. This event includes tremendous food with great wine, what could be better?

All ticket holders must be 21+ to attend these events.

Do you know of any other Wine and Food Festivals in the Philly area? Comment below!

### Famous Cooks: Top 5 NYC Food Trucks for 2017





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What better way to celebrate the coming of Spring than planning warm, idyllic <u>date nights</u> at NYC's hottest food trucks? Even if you're planning on visiting the big apple for just the afternoon, food trucks are the best way to see all that New York has to offer in regards to its extensive taste in cuisine. Thanks to <u>RoamingHunger.com</u>, we're here to tell

you all about the tastiest food trucks in NYC that foodies are going crazy about. You don't have to hit pricey restaurants like <u>celebrity couples</u> in order to have a memorable night with great food!

# Look no further for the tastiest food and most famous cooks in town! Cupid's here to tell you all about the top five food trucks in New York City:

- 1. Wafles & Dinges: Do you and your boo have a thing for dessert? Take our dating advice and hit Wafles & Dinges ASAP! Open everyday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., you and your significant other can indulge in their delicious desserts for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The "King of Belgians", Albert II, opened Wafles & Dinges in 2007 after catching wind that the typical Belgian waffle sold in NYC was soggy and never up to par. In order to put an end to the soggy-waffle pandemic, Albert has been serving up fluffy, decadent liege, brussels, and even hashbrown waffles ever since. The dinges (and/or toppings to the waffles) range from Belgian chocolate fudge, to strawberries, to spekuloos spread. His dishes beat renowned chef Bobby Flay on his show Throwdown! with Bobby Flay and were also added to Tina Fey's list of her favorite things in New York.
- 2. Korilla BBQ: Check out NYC's hottest twist on Korean and Mexican cuisine at the ever-popular Korilla BBQ. Featured on The Food Network's *The Great Food Truck Race*, Korilla BBQ serves up classic Korean recipes within Mexican dishes such as burritos and rice bowls. It's founder, Edward "3D" Song, has won multiple awards for his contribution to the food truck industry including winning Rookie of the Year at the Vendy

Awards in 2011 and 2014's #1 Food Truck by Village Voice. For your tacos, burritos and rice bowls you have the choice between choice meats and organic veggies including thinly sliced ribeye marinaded 24 hours in sweet fruit and savory soy blend, organic tofu braised with a ginger scallion glaze, and so much more.

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- 3. Gorilla Cheese NYC: If your perfect date idea includes indulging in cheesy comfort food, Gorilla Cheese NYC is the place for you and your boo. Not only does this quirky eatery allow you to dive back into your childhood with their classic grilled cheese, Gorilla Cheese NYC has also revolutionized the classics by bringing home cooking to a whole new level. Every day the owners use natural, local, and imported bread, cheeses, and quality meats. It's all good food all the time. You can either make your own or satisfy your cravings by chowing down on their signature sandwiches such as their mixed vegetable melt with munster cheese, caramelized onions and herb aioli on whole wheat. If grilled cheese isn't your style, don't fret. They also serve tater tots, mac and cheese bites, tomato soup, and even dessert melts!
- 4. Phil's Steaks: Look no further for a classic Philly cheesesteak in New York! Phil's Steaks has been rated NYC's #1 Authentic Philly Cheesesteak Truck Jawn all thanks to Philly native, Jim Drew. Launched in 2012, Drew has made himself a huge success in the New York area serving up the classic Philly cheese steak with 100% premium loin-tail beef on Amoroso rolls directly from Philly. Drew keeps his dishes simple which is most likely why people from all over New York are flocking to his food truck. Enjoy a 6″ or 10″ sub just the way you like it with options such as fried onions, sweet peppers, mushrooms, and even cheese wiz.

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5. Luke's Lobster: Last, but certainly not least, we have a taste of Maine in NYC with Luke's Lobster. It's well-know that Luke's Lobster serves the freshest, most affordable lobster roll in NYC — there's no beating it! It's founder, Luke Holden, is a Maine native and couldn't imagine his seafood being from anywhere else. Which is why even though his truck is located in New York, every single day fresh lobsters are picked, steamed, and individually wrapped from the shores of Maine to the streets of New York. It's the absolute freshest you can get in the area! Luke's lobster, crab, and shrimp rolls are an absolute must-have at anytime of the year. The food truck also includes chowder, bisques, soups, and even their famous grilled cheeses. However, the grilled cheese is only offered in the winter so get them while they last!

Are you a New York food truck foodie? Let us know your favorites by commenting below!

#### Date Idea: Take a Risk and Be Daring





By Tanni Deb. Updated by Jessica DeRubbo

Searching for some <u>date ideas</u>? Romantic date nights are always fun, but think about being a little more daring this weekend.

### Feel the thrill of love this weekend by going on an adventurous date with your mate.

Do you both love taking risks? Consider going skydiving. Your hearts will race like never before as you soar above beautiful landscapes. For another exciting activity that's guaranteed to get your adrenaline pumping, find the nearest bungee jumping locations near you. If you prefer combining your thrills with exercise, go rock climbing. Of course, if you'd rather avoid bad weather, there's always indoor rock climbing as well.

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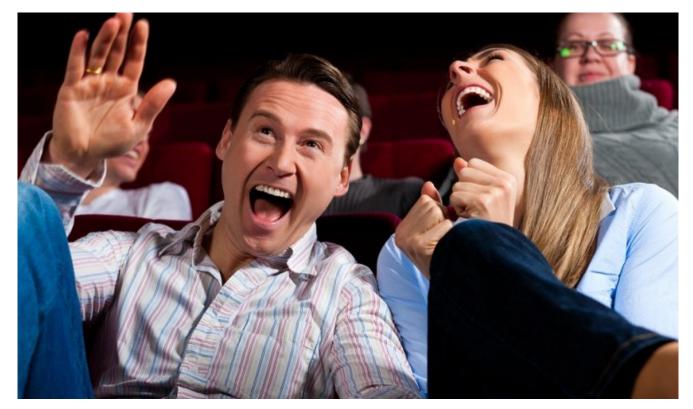
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Another place sure to rock your world and send chills down your spine is an amusement park. The live entertainment, expositions and rides will make your day unforgettable. And who better to share these memories with than your sweetheart?

Have a favorite adventurous date of your own? Comment below and share with our readers.

# Destination Miami: New Out Of the Box Destinations Reshaping the Culinary and Nightlife Scene





By <u>Delaney Gilbride</u>

It looks like Miami has hopped on the newest culinary bandwagon as unique, international restaurants have been continuously popping up along its famous beaches over the last couple years. Not only does the intercontinental cuisine give even more of an incentive for you and your boo to book your next <u>romantic getaway</u> to Miami, these up-and-coming restaurants have become the newest hot spots for <u>celebrity couples</u>, too! If you've been looking for a one of a kind trip to the sunshine state, look no further.

Cupid's here to tell you all about the seven hottest destinations along the shores of Miami that will have you and your partner dying to return:

1. DÔA: From the unique and creative mind of Arjun Waney,

comes this revolutionary Latin-Asian eatery entitled DÔA. Residing on Miami Beach, this restaurant serves high quality affordable dishes from 6PM to 5AM every day of the week. Locals and tourists can enjoy craft cocktails and tasty plates in the comfort of the cool indoors or while soaking up the Floridian sun on their outdoor patio. Miami's youngest high profile Chef Carlos Estarita allows for an extensive, affordable menu including dishes such as Crispy Squid (\$10), Sashimi (minimum \$3), and Nikkei Rotisserie Chicken (\$19-\$30). A little something for everyone to enjoy!

2. Paris 6: Enjoy an incredibly romantic date night at the ever-elegant French Bistro, Paris 6. The Brazilian franchise launched it's first eatery in the United States this past November and people have been absolutely raving over the 24/7 Bistro. Reminiscent of Woody Allen's Midnight in Paris, the eatery is dimly lit with vivid paintings covering the walls head to toe. Owner and Executive Chef Isaac Azaar leaves his guests satisfied with over 100 options around the clock including Classic French Bites, an Oyster Bar, and fresh fish such as the Wild Salmon with Melted Brie Cheese & Mushrooms — a "Marisol Ribeiro".

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- 3. Copa Room: Miami Beach's first all-inclusive night club charges a flat rate of \$80-\$100 at the door or \$125-\$150 if you want access to the Club Level for the night. And yes, you read that correctly, it's all-inclusive. After you pay your flat rate at the door, everything on the inside is included the Copa Room is your oyster! Their premium open bar will have you and your boo dancing all night long while observing entertaining Las Vegas style shows. The best part about the Copa Room is as long as you're inside, you don't have to worry about tips and taxes it's included!
- 4. Seaspice: Located on the banks of the Miami River, this

leading waterfront restaurant lives and breathes everything nautical. The indoor and outdoor dining area allows for a contemporary feel with a vivid view of Miami's downtown skyline from nearly every table. This Mediterranean-inspired eatery serves only the freshest seafood either locally caught or imported from ports around the globe. It's menu including King Crab Tempura, Grilled Florida Lobster, and Australian Rack of Lamb has attracted multiple celebrities including Barbra Streisand, Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, and even Justin Bieber (just to name a few).

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- 5. Villa Azur: If you and your significant other can never find a happy medium when deciding what type of food to eat, Villa Azur will put your mind at rest. This preferred French Mediterranean destination in South Beach puts an Italian twist on their unique and lively menu. The 6,000 square foot dining room (indoor and outdoor) resembles French and Italian Rivieras as it also includes it's own library and wine cellar... it's the perfect date idea. Their exotic menu includes fan favorites such as Truffle Brie Cheese (\$21), 10 Hour Short Ribs (\$29), and Branzino (\$45). This famous eatery has attracted multiple celebrities such as David Guetta, Wilmer Valderrama, and Halle Berry.
- 6. Brasserie Azur: This sister restaurant to Villa Azur allows a laid back, relaxed feel for people that want an eatery with an elegant atmosphere that wont break the bank. Brasserie Azur is a French-Mediterranean eatery serving European inspired cocktails that you and your boo will absolutely love. Every Tuesday through Sunday, tourists and residents are able to enjoy their Happy Hour specials from 5PM-9PM which includes \$3 draft beer, \$5 cocktails, and delicious pizza ranging from \$7-\$10. Outside of their reasonable Happy Hour, Brasserie Azur's regular menu incorporates dishes such as Salmon Tartare (\$15), The Grilled Mahi-Mahi Burger (\$17), and their famous Rotisserie Chickens (\$17-\$38).

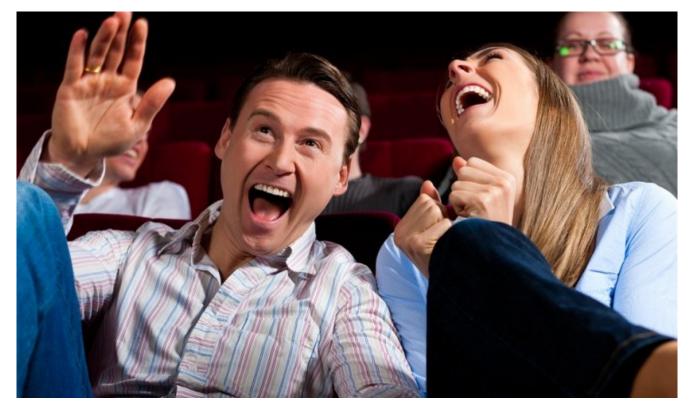
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7. WALL: If you're looking to party from the wee hours of the morning until noon the very next day, WALL Lounge on South Beach is the place for you. Open from 12AM-4:30PM, WALL has been named the longest running exclusive night spot on South Beach. This celebrity hotspot has been home to super stars such as Jennifer Lopez, George Clooney, and even Leonardo Dicaprio. The night spot books events for every night of the week so the entertainment will never run out; if you like house music you're stumbled across the right place! WALL allows for an endless night, and you never know... you may run into your favorite celebrity.

If you're either a Miami native or simply love visiting the area, tell us about your favorite out of the box destinations by commenting below!

#### Famous Restaurants: NYC's Most Popular Hidden Restaurants





By <u>Delaney Gilbride</u>

Have you been thinking about going on a <u>romantic getaway</u> to the concrete jungle anytime soon? If so, don't waste your time by going to the same restaurant you've been to time and time again. Thanks to <u>NyPost.com</u>, you don't have to look any further for new and exciting <u>date nights</u>. The newest trend in the NYC area has restaurateurs opening up hidden eateries within large restaurants, bars, and even coffee shops!

If you and your boo want to eat like <u>celebrity couples</u> without breaking the bank, check out four of NYC's hottest hidden restaurants:

1. Dinnertable in the Garret East (106 Ave. A): At the very back of an East Village tiki bar named The Garret resides a quaint eatery entitled Dinnertable. The two are separated by

an arched wooden door that leads you to another dimension. While bar-hoppers are enjoying The Garret's number of exotic cocktails, others will be slipping away for a dinner for two under decadent glowing lamps. At Dinnertable, renowned chef Ricardo Arias combines his Puerto Rican background with Asian cuisine to ensure his customers come back for more. With meals such as mouthwatering baby shrimp wasabi (\$13) and beef tartare & onion 4 ways (\$15), you and your wallet can't go wrong!

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2. Karasu in Walter's (166 Dekalb Ave., Fort Greene): Through a black backdoor at Brooklyn's go-to for American comfort food, Walter's, rests a diverse Japanese tapas bar named Karasu. Previously a chiropractors office, Karasu is now a hot place for singles to come mingle with their windowless walls covered in art from head to toe and 30's jazz on repeat. Although Walter's and Karasu have drastically different food, the two share just one kitchen. While you can stop at Walter's during the day for bar food and some drinks, Karasu serves authentic Japanese tapas such as fresh sashimi (\$18) and their famous sushi deluxe dinner for two (\$52). Trust me, with all of the fresh fish provided in the sushi deluxe, it's definitely worth the price!

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3. Trademark Taste in Trademark Grind (38 W. 36th): Little do most know that there's more to Midtown's Hotel Le Soleil than meets the eye. Within the hotel lies Trademark Grind, a coffee shop occupied by tech-savvy New Yorkers throughout a good part of the day. What most people don't know is that just through an open archway in the back of the coffee shop resides Trademark Grind, a modern cocktail bar and restaurant. While individuals are sipping on coffee and tapping away on their

laptops, you could be sipping on cocktails in elevated booths jamming to classic rock all night; a great <u>date idea</u>! You can choose from meals such as Octopus Carpaccio (\$18) to Flatbreads (\$15) to 8 oz Hanger Steak (\$23) — the variety is endless!

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4. Tapas Bar in La Sirena (88 Ninth Ave.): Did you know that in January, world renowned chef Mario Batali converted a barroom from his restaurant La Sirena in the Maritime Hotel into a quaint eatery with an extensive menu by chef Anthony Sasso? No? Us neither. La Sirena embodies your typical Italian restaurant with white table cloths lit by candles while the Tapas Bar calls for a younger crowd to socialize over yummy Italian tapas. The unique menu includes all of your hearts desires: Raw Yellowfin Tuna Marmitako (\$16), Pork Chicharrones (\$10), Lamb Chops (\$8), and so much more!

Do you know of any hidden eateries in the New York area? Comment below with some of your favorites!

### Date Idea: Have Fun in the Winter Sun





By Tanni Deb. Updated by <a href="Jessica DeRubbo">Jessica DeRubbo</a>

So, guess what? It's still winter! Ugh. You might feel like there is nothing better than bundling up, sitting in front of the fireplace and sipping hot chocolate on a chilly day with your significant other. But, why waste a romantic season staying indoors?

Ignite new passion with your love this winter with this date idea. After all, all the great date ideas haven't flown down south during this time of the year.

Fall in love all over again by planning a trip to a ski resort. Stay active by spending the day on a slopes. If neither one of you know how to ski, take classes together. Nothing is more fun than sharing the experience of learning something new and then trying it for the first time with your

sweetheart.

Searching for an inexpensive, but fun date idea that's closer to home? Grab a sled, find the closest hill and sled your hearts out. Afterward, visit a coffee shop and warm up with hot chocolate.

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If you haven't gone ice skating in a long time, consider visiting an indoor or outdoor skating rink. End the night by getting cozy in the movie theaters with a bowl of popcorn.

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Do you have any romantic date ideas for the coldest time of the year? Comment below, and share with our readers.

### Vacation Destinations: Unknown Italy 2017





By Delaney Gilbride

When you hear the words "Italian vacation" a few specific destinations may pop into your mind: Rome, Venice, Milan, Capri, and more. Celebrity couples have helped romanticize Italy in more ways than one, but what if you don't want to follow these typical vacation trends? TravelItalianStyle.com has opened our eyes to Italy in a whole new way, guiding us to destinations unknown by most. These remote locations in Italy will have you looking at romantic getaways in a new light!

## Look no further for unique destinations in the heart of Italy! Cupid's here to help spice up your Italian date ideas:

1. Puglia: This southern region that forms the heel of Italy's "boot" is known for its stunning scenery. With its pristine, white sandy beaches, mountainous views, and streets lined with

lively olive trees, your eyes will never be bored! Aside from the landscape, you and your honey will have endless <u>date</u> <u>nights</u> as Puglia offers multiple vineyards with wine and cheese tasting, pasta making classes, and restaurants serving authentic Italian cuisine. With Puglia being the least explored region in Italy, you're bound to stroll across something new every day.

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2. Sardinia: Italy's second largest island resides in the beautifully breathtaking Mediterranean Sea. If you and your significant other crave adventure with a view, Sardinia is the place for you. The island is famous for its natural coral which makes diving in these waters a must. The island also possesses a mountainous interior flooded with hiking trails surrounded by ancient stone ruins from the Bronze Age. If hiking isn't your thing, there's no need to worry. Sardinia also offers wine and chocolate tastings along with workshops that transform their coral into stunning jewelry.

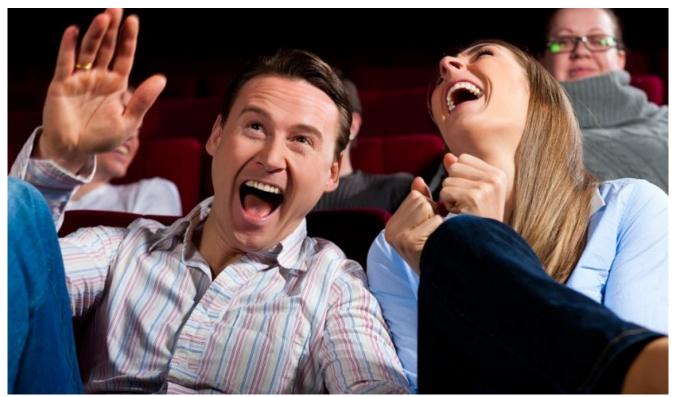
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3. Ischia: This volcanic island lives and breathes in the Bay of Naples. Tourists are huge fans of the island's natural volcanic activity as they enjoy its hot springs and volcanic mud. So don't worry about the volcanoes; they simply make your stay more exciting! You and your partner will be able to enjoy guided geological hikes within their dense forests, the healing waters provided within spas throughout the island, and its breathtaking beaches. Your date nights will never be boring as Ischia's harbor district includes brightly lit bars and taverns you'll enjoy until the wee hours of the morning.

Do you know of any hidden Italian gems? Comment below with your favorite destination!

### Date Idea: Most Romantic Destinations In the U.S.





By <u>Delaney Gilbride</u> & Linda Guma

If you're lucky enough to have some time off this coming President's Day weekend, what better way to celebrate the coming and going of Valentine's Day than by indulging in some travel and exploration with your honey? Traveling abroad can get expensive and time-consuming, and not all of us have extra money and vacation days to spare. Although places like Venice and Paris are known for their European romance and charm, you can find that same feeling right here in the United States.

## Who says you have to be in Paris to french kiss? Here's some dating advice on the most enchanted travel destinations in the U.S.

- 1. Niagara Falls (NY): Niagara Falls, known as the Honeymoon Capital of the World, is an ideal romantic spot. One of the many date ideas for Niagara Falls includes taking a classic Maid of the Mist boat tour with your lover and be captivated by the breathtaking view of the waterfalls. You can also engage in some other fun activities, like going on a Niagara wine tour.
- 2. Poconos Mountains (PA): Whether or not you've just tied the knot, the Poconos is a spectacular destination. The Mountains were home to the first honeymoon resort in 1945. As part of its intimate tradition, Poconos has a famous heart-shaped whirlpool bath for two, as well as many world-class spas.

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- 3. Key West (FL): Surrounded by history, art, and culture, Key West is the southernmost city of the U.S. and an excellent couples' romantic getaway. Enjoy a magical tour of the city during the day and take advantage of the upbeat nightlife. Conclude your day with a passionate and awe-inspiring view of the sunset in Mallory Square, where people gather for the sunset celebration.
- **4. Malibu (CA)**: An iconic American destination, Malibu is home to an array of public beaches. Enjoy some delicious seafood on the beachfront while bidding the sun farewell for the day or visit a winery in a chateau. Take advantage of an entertaining date night by hitting up a blues bars, dance hall, or martini lounge.

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5. Rocky Mountains (CO): If you and your partner are outdoor fanatics, you definitely don't want to miss out on the spectacular landscape of the Rockies. Your trip can be amorous, yet adventurous. Reconnect with your partner and discover peaceful solitude in an intimate cabin. Then escape into nature while surrounding yourself by untouched beauty as you venture off for a hike on Mount Elbert, the range's highest peak.

Got any other suggestions for romantic American destinations? Share your ideas below.

### Top 5 Romantic Getaways in the Northeast U.S.





By Cortney Moore

Did you know there are great <u>romantic getaways</u> in the Northeast region of the United States? You might see your favorite celebrities having an elaborate <u>date night</u> while on vacation in the Caribbean or passing through European cities. Though it may look like fun, you have no reason to be envious. You don't need to break the bank to have a good time with your love! There's no shame in looking at local romantic getaways. Let Cupid show you five excellent travel date ideas that you can try out with your partner.

### Check out some of the best romantic getaways the Northeast has to offer!

1. Castle Hotel & Spa: The Castle Hotel & Spa is the perfect getaway for the couple that wants to be treated like royalty. Located only thirty minutes away from Manhattan in Tarrytown, New York, couples get to enjoy a luxurious stay at a 100-year-

old castle. You can also treat yourself at their sophisticated restaurant and spa! At the castle you'll get in touch with your inner king and queen.

2. Queen Victoria Bed & Breakfast: The Queen Victoria Bed & Breakfast is nestled right in New Jersey's peninsula Cape May. Spend time with your sweetheart in British fashion at this nineteenth century home. It's only a short distance from the Delaware Bay, where you walk across the shoreline with your love and pick out the famous 'Cape May diamonds' in the sand. Don't get disappointed when you find out the diamonds are only quartz pebbles, they still make great souvenirs to take home!

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- 3. Twin Farms Resort: Get in touch with nature at Twin Farms, Vermont's only luxury, five-star experience. This quaint, allinclusive resort provides couples a whimsical and eclectic stay within their standard rooms, lodges, farmhouses and cottages. And there are a number of outdoor activities to take part in at this breathtaking mountain destination; such as hiking, skiing and fishing to name a few.
- 4. Fitch Claremont Vineyard: If wine and history are more your thing then the Fitch Claremont Vineyard might be the perfect spot for you and your love. Built in 1790, this once aristocratic residence is now open to couples who need a romantic place to stay in Bozrah, Connecticut. Here you can explore what the Constitution state's towns and wine trails have to offer. You might even be able to take a bottle back home with you!

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5. Cove Haven Entertainment Resorts: Last but not least, there's the world-famous Cove Haven resort in Pennsylvania's

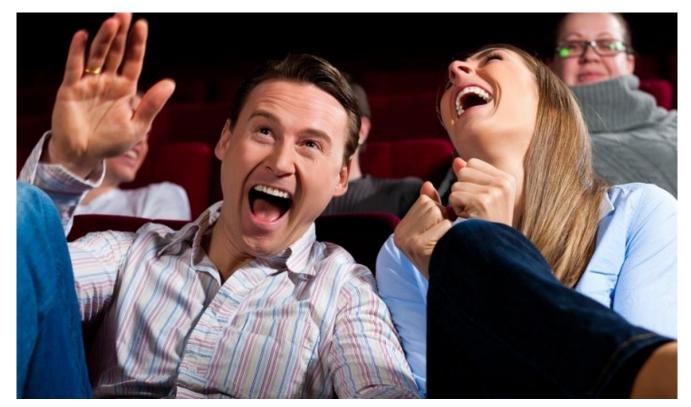
Pocono Mountains. This all-inclusive, couples only resort is perfect for lovers that want seclusion and variety in their stay. It's also important to note that Cove Haven is divided into three separate resorts in one, but don't worry- each one has the famed Champagne Tower Suites; however these rooms book fast, so don't hesitate to make a reservation.

Regardless of which destination you choose to spend your romantic getaway, what matters most is that you enjoy your time with the one you love. You don't need to have a <u>celebrity vacation</u> to have a good time.

Have you visited a romantic getaway in the northeast? What was it like? Share your stories below!

### Date Ideas: Craft Your Christmas Presents





By Rebecca White

Ho, ho, ho! When you sit by the Christmas tree today admiring all of the presents around it, you don't want to be embarrassed about what you got your loved ones. In order to end this year on a high note, try to make your partner something special. For this weekend date idea, you'll get bonus points if you two craft some presents together! This date night will give you a chance to focus on your relationship while ringing in the holidays.

### Craft your own Christmas presents with this week's weekend date idea.

To get started with this date idea, you'll need to get in touch with your crafty side. You can make each other a scrapbook of memories, noting your first kiss, your first date, and other important moments. If you want to keep it simple, you can just write a secret love note for your significant other to find on Christmas morning. No matter what, your gift will mean more if it comes from the heart.

This <u>dating advice</u> will surely make the holiday even more romantic!

You can even take a cue from celebrity couples like <u>Kim Kardashian</u> and <u>Kanye West</u> and make each other a selfie book. While these selfie books may not hit the bestsellers list, reminiscing and taking some photos together may be just what you need to feel connected.

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If you want to feel like a kid again, put on a Santa hat and dance to Christmas music on this weekend date idea. You can even make each other a "couple's first Christmas" ornament and put it on the tree that morning. Or if you aren't crafty or don't want to make something yourself, go shopping together and give each other a list of items under 20 dollars that you want. Either way, you don't need to spend tons of money this holiday.

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After opening your presents, keep the gift giving spirit going and plan a surprise breakfast picnic for your honey. Pack some holiday favorites, like eggnog French toast, gingerbread, peppermint tea, and candy canes. It's important to get some alone time together before heading off to see your families. Enjoy a calm moment by sharing some delicious food and chatting about what you are most excited for when the New Year hits.

What did you make for your special someone this Christmas? Share your stories below!

# Celebrity News: Kylie Jenner & Tyga Step Out on Dinner Date After Thanksgiving Festivities





By Kayla Garritano

It's a <u>date night!</u> <u>Kylie Jenner</u> and Tyga went out for a dinner date in Malibu on Friday, November 25 after celebrating Thanksgiving with the Kardashian-Jenner family the day before. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the <u>celebrity couple</u> dressed down for the night out at Italian restaurant hot spot, Tra Di

Noi. Earlier in the day, Jenner prepared a huge spread for breakfast to follow up an impressive Thanksgiving meal, which she hosted at her Calabasas, California home.

#### This <u>celebrity news</u> means this duo is certainly still in love. What are some reasons to reserve quality time for your partner?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Spending time with your partner just goes to show that you're happy together, and you want to keep it that way. Cupid is here to tell you why you need that time together:

1. Keep that spark alive: Alone time together makes you two remember why you started dating in the first place. You get to revert back to when you started dating and have the memories that follow with it, making for an even more special night together.

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2. Break from reality: Sometimes you want to escape the hustle and bustle of your busy lifestyles and just take a moment to relax. If you're like Kylie and Tyga, you will have family events and celebrations where you're always with other people. It can be needed to just take a step back and spend some quiet, alone time that you may hardly get anymore.

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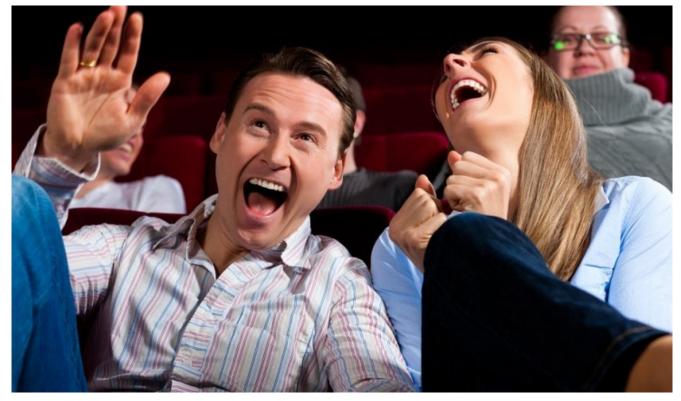
3. Check-in with one another: Once you do get that time alone, make sure that you and your partner are doing okay. Are they stressed? Is there something going on in their lives you need

to discuss? Spending time together gives you that extra talking time that you may rarely get. Communication will help your relationship!

What are reasons for reserving quality time with your partner? Comment below!

### 10 Holiday Gift Ideas Your Special Someone Will Love Just in Time for Date Night





By Linda Guma and Kayla Garritano

The start of the holiday season means the inevitability of shopping for the perfect gifts for all of your loved ones. And with the holidays comes the romance. If you get to spend the holidays with that special someone, make sure it's one to remember. The more consideration you put into your present, the more meaningful it'll be. So, when you're on date night with your partner for a special holiday treat, make sure they open a present they'll be sure to love.

If you're looking for gift ideas that don't involve the usual or traditional ugly Christmas sweater for your partner this year, Cupid is here with some relationship advice and ideas:

- 1. Personalized compilation: Make a personalized CD or playlist for your partner by putting together his or her favorite tracks. Don't forget to include any romantic tunes that remind you of special moments you experienced together, such as your first slow dance. And, of course, mix it up with some holiday numbers, to celebrate with the joyous spirit.
- 2. Customized calendar: Nothing says "I care about you" more than something home made. With a new year fast approaching, a calendar can come in handy. Select 12 photos of you and your partner and paste them on the pages for each month. Circle important dates, and write headers for your anniversary, among other special occasions.
- 3. Matching wrist watches: This is a great way to punch up your style, as well as a guilt-free way of pampering yourself with a present. Buy matching watches and ask your jeweler to engrave a message on the back, such as your names and the

words "forever" and "always."

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- **4. Tickets to your favorite show:** If you're really not into personalized gifts, you can always find a thoughtful way to experience something together. Buy two tickets to a show that you and your partner both love, whether it's a movie, a concert or a ballet performance of *The Nutcracker*. Surprise your partner to a dinner at a <u>famous restauran</u>t, followed by their favorite show.
- **5. Photo frame collection:** It's a simple idea, but a classic way to keep the loved ones close at hand. Buy your significant other a silver-plated frame, and insert a photo of the two of you. To make it extra mushy, inscribe "I love you," or a love sonnet by your partner's favorite poet.

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- **6. Massage coupons:** A thoughtful way to express your love this holiday season is to create some free massage coupons. Your partner will surely appreciate them after a stressful day and finally get the chance to relax a little with you.
- 7. Breakfast-in-bed tray: You don't have to rise and shine for this celebration. Treat yourselves to a bed tray and the luxury of having breakfast in bed together. Maybe pop in a movie and just cuddle under the covers!
- 8. Vacation getaway: Be spontaneous! Organize a weekend trip for two. Choose a tropical place to escape the winter chill or simply tour a neighboring town you've never visited. Your partner will appreciate your effort to plan the holiday trip. It's a great way to get away from your daily routines and reconnect with your honey.

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- **9. Get-out-of-chores passes:** Get your arts-and-crafts on by making some paper passes to let your partner skip out on their chores. You'll have to take over the cooking or cleaning probably, but it's a great way to show your love, and it can be a fun, goofy way to get out of something, all in good fun!
- 10. Lovers pillowcases: Get some personalized pillowcases to touch up your bed. For instance, you can get some signs embroidered that say "His" and "Her," or "Mr. Right" and "Mrs. Right." If you want to keep with the holiday theme, decorate it with some snowflakes and mistletoe. It's a different take on putting your face on a mug or a t-shirt. Make it your own!

Got any creative ideas for what to get your partner this Christmas? Share your ideas below.

### 5 Reasons To Play Hooky From Work With Your Honey





By Andrew Pryor and Kayla Garritano

You're at work, staring at your computer, avoiding the pile of papers sitting on your desk. Right now, all you're thinking about is an afternoon escape. If you're contemplating calling in sick or checking out early, see if you can plan a day with your partner so you can make it a "sick day" to remember. It's not like your work is going anywhere. Besides, what's a day off to have fun if your partner can't be there with you?

## Cupid has five reasons to hop the cubicle walls and give you some date ideas with your significant other:

1. Celebrate a promotion: If you've just picked up a new title and a pay raise, what better way to celebrate than to spend some time off with someone you love? They can sweep you away to a late lunch or a fancy dinner date where you can toast your latest success.

2. Get an early start on happy hour: It's five o'clock somewhere! If you leave work early, you should have plenty of time to hit your favorite bar. Meet your partner there and think back to the first time you bought him or her a drink. Nothing like some good drinks, a couple laughs and nice memories.

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- 3. Adopt or create your own holiday: Whether it's Talk Like A Pirate Day, Flying Spaghetti Monster Day or the birthday of a celebrity you've always worshiped, find a reason to celebrate, and take time off from work. You can keep the holiday going every year and create some unique traditions!
- **4. It's a nice day outside:** Look out the window, feel the sunshine hitting your face and imagine lying in the grass with the love of your life. Life is too short to spend eight hours of your day indoors, so find an out-of-the-way spot that you and your honey can call your own.

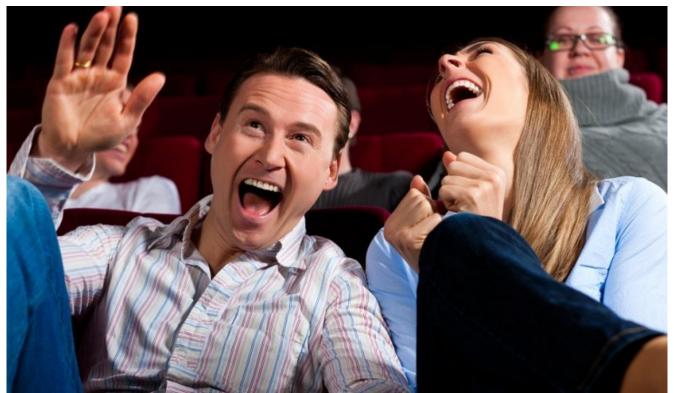
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**5. No reason:** The best things in life are unexpected. Come home early and surprise your partner with a sensuous and lovely day together. Sometimes, you don't need an excuse to spend a day away from work — you just need someone to make that day worthwhile...and maybe a 'broken' alarm clock.

Do you have any ideas about how to escape the workday with your partner? Share them with us in a comment below.

### Fitness Trend: Why Aqua Cycling May Be for You





By Kayla Garritano

We've heard of water aerobics, and we've heard of cycling. Well, what happens when you put the two together? Instead of cycling on land, you can now cycle in the water! Aqua Cycling is the latest <u>fitness trend</u> that started as a revolution in Europe and has now gone viral in the United States, including in New York City! The bicycles are placed in a pool where the water is up to your waste, and you're then able to pedal against the water resistance. Proving its numerous benefits on both health and beauty, aqua cycling has also positively impacted many people's lives. It may even set up to me a new, unique <u>date idea</u>!

## Aqua cycling is a crazy twist to working out that was brought to America, and may just have some fitness secrets to share!

Scientific studies show that exercising in water provides numerous benefits to both health and body. Not only do you shape your body in a much more efficient way than on land but you also protect your health, your bone structure, your joints, and your muscles. Here are some reason why you should try it over land cycling:

- 1. Goodbye calories, goodbye cellulite: In one hour, you can burn up to 800 or more calories. Thanks to the support and the pressure provided by the water, blood circulation is speeded up and can quickly eliminate fat. It also effectively burns cellulite thanks to the water resistance.
- 2. Better blood flow: The hydrostatic pressure of water combined with cycling movement helps to increase your blood flow and circulation, energizing your muscles, and reducing the symptoms of tired legs. Water pressure compensates the arterial pressure and improves circulation. If your blood circulates well, your legs feels lighter, like you're walking on a cloud!

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- **3. Less pain**: The water's zero-gravity feeling is perfect for people with muscular, joints, or overweight problems. Working out in the water is impact-free on joints and will support your body weight. Struggle less, have more fun! That's what this new crave wants you to do.
- 4. Sleep tight: This exercise is known to help let out your stress. With less stress, comes more relaxation, meaning a

better night's sleep. Posture, muscle relaxation and flexibility are improved as well!

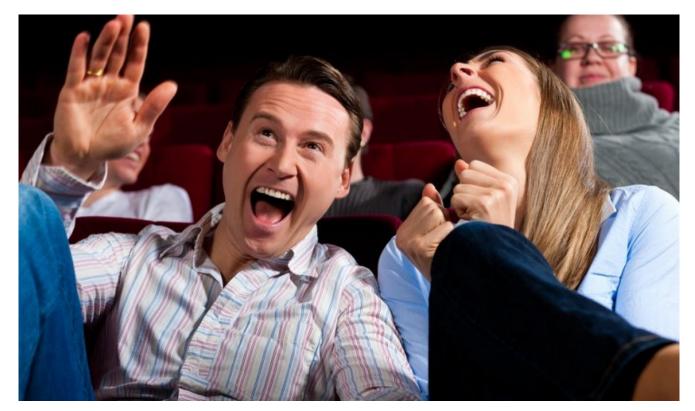
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5. You can breathe: How many times have you worked out and just felt completely out of breath after? Well, with this new exercise, you won't feel that way. In the water, you don't feel out of breath. You increase your capacity in a gentle way. You may get a little wet, but you won't be breaking a sweat!

Have you tried aqua cycling and want to share your experience? Comment below!

## Serendipity 3: Perfect for Date Night & a Sweet NYC Celebrity Hotspot





By Kayla Garritano

If you've been looking to satisfy your sweet tooth craving, and want to try a legendary, trendy restaurant in New York City, then Cupid has a place for you! Serendipity 3, in the heart of Little Italy, could be your next date spot with your "sweetheart," and you may even be able to indulge in a few celebrity sightings!

## Serendipity 3, one of NYC's sweetest spots, is a delicious restaurant with a high profile clientele and some serious food!

NYC is great for <u>date ideas</u>. Not only is there culture within the art museums, Broadway shows, and sightseeing, but there's also a great time in the city's <u>popular restaurants</u>. Before we get to Serendipity 3's appetizing meals and desserts, let's start with the celebrities who've made their mark inside the restaurant.

Since 1954, Serendipity 3 has brought great food and celebrities that come along with it. This New York restaurant's walls are decorated with celebrities who have come into the warming abode. Celebrities such as Wendy Williams, Bill Clinton, Sarah Palin and the *High School Musical* cast have been pictured.

It's safe to say this restaurant and its food gave these celebs "serendipity" when walking in to the little restaurant. And what is to thank? The food, the dessert, and the sweet drinks.

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Let's start with the food. There are many unique options to choose from, such as "De la Maison," or house specials, casseroles, pastas, sandwiches, crepes, omelets, fish and vegetarian options. There is something for everyone here.

Next on the menu come these unique desserts. There's a whole section dedicated to just sweets, where you can get different flavors of pie to something whacky called "cheesecake vesuvius."

There's also an entirely different section called "drugstore sundaes," where you can either create your own or choose from one of the many on the menu. You can go healthy with fresh fruit, or splurge a little with a cinnamon fudge one. What's unique about this place is that there is a sundae that's just as famous as its clientele. The Golden Opulence Sundae requires a 48 hour in-advance reservation. Why? Because this sundae prices at \$1,000 and is covered in a 23-carat gold leaf. It holds the Guinness World Record for most expensive sundae!

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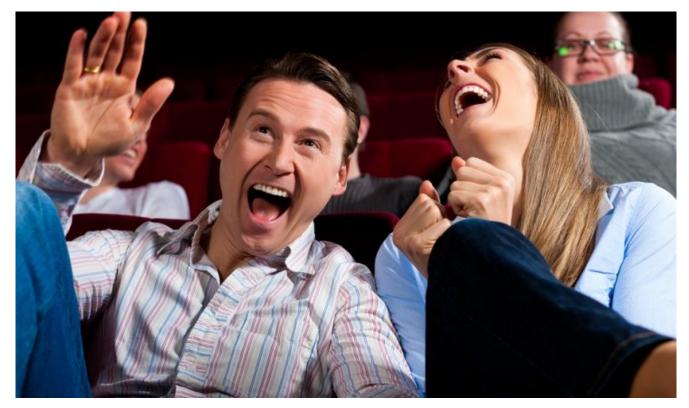
And let's not forget the teas, caffes and frozen drinks to top off your taste buds. Get a classic twist with a frozen hot chocolate, or venture out with a mochaccino. Whether it's frozen or hot, it's going to warm your stomach and your heart.

Serendipity 3 brings class and comfort to fine dining. If you want some <u>dating advice</u>, take your partner here. Splurge a little with these dinners and treats, and you'll be sure to have a magical night. No reservations are taken if you're ordering just desserts. You may even get a nice view of a <u>celebrity couple</u> while snacking on a sundae. How sweet!

Have you been to Serendipity 3? Let us know what treat you tried in the comments below!

### 5 Date Ideas To Maximize Daylight Savings





By Linda Guma and Kayla Garritano

After a long, hot summer of late night festivities, followed by fall work hours that extend past 6 p.m., we could all use an extra hour of sleep so our bodies can catch up. Well, soon enough it will be here. On November 6, we'll turn back the clocks again to mark the end of Daylight Savings Time. While most of us are probably happy about gaining that extra hour of sleep, why not maximize those 60 extra minutes by spending it with your partner? Here is some dating advice on ways to capitalize on a little romance:

### These <u>date ideas</u> will be sure to give you the best use out of that one extra hour!

1. Rise and shine: Of course, not all of us are nocturnal. If you and your partner are early risers, there's no need to bother resetting your biological clocks. Take advantage of that additional time by going for a morning jog together

before you start your respective daily routines. To save some energy, you've got to use some energy. Other ways to be creative with dates early in the day include morning swims, sweet mimosas at a nearby cafe, or breakfast in bed.

2. Last call: If you and your partner prefer sleeping in and staying up late, feel free to unleash your night owl tendencies. Bars and clubs will be open an hour later, which also means that last call for drinks will be extended as well. After grabbing cocktails at your favorite lounge, hit the club and dance the night away.

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- 3. Fall cleaning: This may sound like a big drag, but it'll be worth it once it's over. You and your partner can make a game of tidying up together. Get rid of things you no longer use and make way for newer items. The sense of accomplishment will serve as a bonding activity and you if you aren't currently living together, be sure to save a drawer or two for him.
- 4. Take a chill pill: Sometimes, you just need to relax after the constant hustle and bustle of your busy life. Use the extra time to fuel your energy for the rest of the day. You can find romantic ways to unwind together, such as snuggling in bed or taking a bubble bath. Even the enjoyment of a local bookstore or a movie can be fun.

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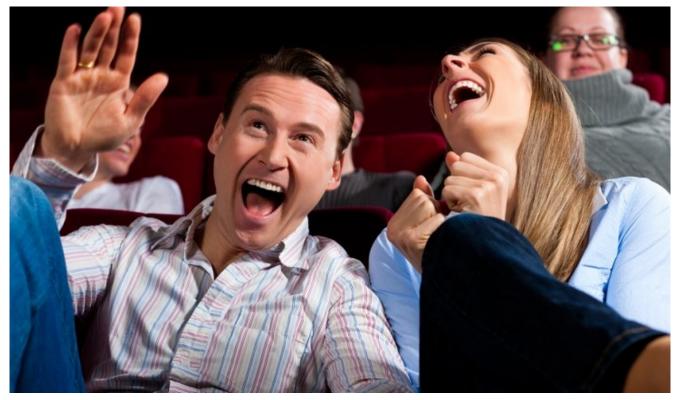
5. Bucket List: Take the time to sit over some wine and plan out some exciting events for the future. You and your partner will each need a pen and paper. Each jot down creative activities and places you've always wanted to visit, your own personal bucket list. After you're done, consult each other's lists and then sketch out a tentative plan to create a joint list. You'll have some fun talking about the unordinary activities you want to do, and the unique places you want to

go. It'll definitely be some good conversation!

What can you do to make the most of Fall Back? Share your ideas below.

# Celebrity Interview: Chloe Lukasiak Talks 'Dance Moms': "I'm Kind of Doing My Own Thing Now"





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Kayla Garritano.

From the age of two, Chloe Lukasiak knew she wanted to step foot on the dance floor, only to dance her way into fame. She starred in the first four seasons of *Dance Moms*, but this blonde performer has recently left to further her dance career with her self-titled channel, *Chloe on Pointe*, on *Ownzones.com*. Now working on season two, the 15-year-old dancer has much to share in this exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u> with CupidsPulse.com on what's ahead in the upcoming season, as well as life after leaving *Dance Moms*.

## In our celebrity interview, Chloe Lukasiak opens up about her career and gives some advice for young girls following their dreams.

Lukasiak's proven that she can handle being on her own. Her channel, which focuses on dance tutorials, also provides fans insider exclusives on her life through vlogs, and even offers beauty DIYs. So it's no surprise as to why Chloe on Pointe was renewed for a second season with the great content she's uploaded thus far. When asked why she wanted to create her own show, Lukasiak responded with, "I thought this would be a great way to teach, and give fans a look into the dance life. They can learn with me." This move to Ownzone has also helped Lukasiak gain new skills, which she appreciates because she's been exposed to things she's never tried before. Such as helping choreograph and teach her own dance solo! Being able to create, perform and teach has turned Lukasiak into a triple threat to be reckoned with. You'll be able to see the solo on her channel within the next couple of weeks. "I'm hoping that people really like it," she says.

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Despite all her success, Lukasiak took a moment to reflect on

how her career started. She left Dance Moms after season four, when instructor Abby Lee Miller made negative comments on her appearance and said her routine was a "hot mess." But instead of crying about it, Lukasiak says she's doing her own thing now and acknowledged that she hasn't kept in contact with her former dance teacher. She went on to mention that she still talks to a few of the girls here and there, but everyone has their own lives and busy schedules. "It's just hard to keep in touch with everyone, since our schedules have taken us different places." However, she admits to being close with Paige and Brooke Hyland, who were also on the show and left at the beginning of season four. As far as other experiences she had on the show, Lakasiak opens up about how it's had a lasting effect on her. "I was nine, and I left when I was about thirteen, so I grew up really fast in that environment." She goes on to say that the show helped her come out of her shell and overcome her shyness. However, it is clear that Lukasiak is staying away from her past as best as possible. In recent weeks, there has been talk about canceling Dance Moms season 7. Responding to the news, she says, "I guess this might be the end of Dance Moms." She was also unaware of the rumor regarding Kendall Jenner joining the show, which she thinks would be a strange and interesting change.

#### Date Idea: <a href="Date Idea: Beat of the Music">Date Idea: Beat of the Music</a>

Now that Lukasiak is occupied with her channel, dance and other exciting events, it's hard for her to make time for friends and school. When asked how she balances her responsibilities and fun, she responded with, "You have to figure out what's important and what's not important. It's about what you do with your time and how you handle it efficiently." She mentions that she focuses a lot of time on school, but stresses that it's important to be social and hang out with your friends. Lukasiak also shares some advice for young girls who are looking to dance competitively: "Do what

makes you happy, because at the end of the day, you are your own person. If you're not happy, then something's wrong. Remember at the end of the day you're just getting a trophy," she jokes.

What can we look forward to seeing from Lukasiak? Aside from a potential Christmas special on her channel, she will appear in two upcoming movies. She's also been thinking about college and what she will do with her life. "If I had to guess, I'd still dance, but I don't know if I could study dance."

You'll be able to find Chloe On Pointe on <u>Ownzones.com</u>. For more on Chloe Lukasiak, you can check out her <u>YouTube Channel</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>Twitter</u>.

### Get Fit In Time For Date Night With A Twerk-Out





By Cortney Moore

Move over Zumba because a new exercise dance craze is taking over the nation! Make way for twerking yourself into a slimmer shape! Yes, twerking, or as some like to put it, a "twerkout." It's not just for celebrities like Miley Cyrus. These instructional dance classes are popping up in gyms and dance studios across the country. It's where fitness meets the club, combining dancehall choreography, cardio and aerobics to help exercisers break a sweat. Not convinced to give it a try? Well a single 60-minute class can help you burn up to 1,000 calories! Getting fit for date night couldn't be any easier, not to mention you'll learn dance moves your partner will surely appreciate. Get in touch with your seductive side and learn how to twerk like a professional!

#### Learn How To Twerk Like A Pro Before Your Next Date Night

LexTwerkOut: Lexy Pantera's revolutionary twerk out program has made celebrity news with her famous clientele. which

include Christina Milian, Karrueche Tran and Tameka Harris. Based in Los Angeles, dance enthusiasts are able to take classes or host twerk parties with their closest friends. Even if you can't make your way to her studio, you can still get a good work out through her LexTwerkOut app and Youtube channel.

Vixen Workout: With multiple locations throughout New York and Florida, Vixen Workout is an intense hip hop cardio dance program. Started by a former Heat cheerleader, this workout routine will get you in touch with your inner vixen by teaching you how shake what you've got. There are Vixen instructors in other states, so if New York and Florida are too far for you to travel for lessons, you can find someone else to teach you the great moves.

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305 Fitness: Named after Miami's area code, 305 Fitness is one the hottest dance cardio studios to hit the east coast. With locations in New York, Boston and Washington D.C., twerk lovers can get a full body workout doing non-stop cardio and high interval training. Each class has a live DJ playing music so your workout routine won't even feel like a workout. Featured in a number of publications for their great studio, 305 Fitness promises to get you moving.

Boss Chick Dance Workout: Just like the name says, this revolutionary dance program will show you how to dance like a boss. This dance program teaches a high intensity hip hop, dancehall, afrobeat fusion twerk-out. Get yourself closer to that "bangin' new body" you've always wanted. With Boss Chick dance studios in 6 states and abroad, you'll have plenty of opportunities to take lessons or host your own twerk party.

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StripXpertease: Is a female driven business that aims to teach women to get in touch with their "sexier, sultrier, more

confident" self. At StripXpertease, you'll learn how to do pole work, lap dances, twerk and much more. Couple activities are encouraged so it might be a great option for a date night! Visit their studios in New York and Los Angeles so you can unleash your sexy and toned self.

Twerk Out Fitness: If you're on the shy side and don't wish to pay the expense for private lessons, then twerking in the comforts of your own home might be the best option. Twerk Out Fitness offers instructional DVDs and downloadable content that will show you how to move. Once you've boosted your confidence, you can contact the instructors at Twerk Out fitness to schedule in-person lessons or parties. You'll learn from the best here since many of their instructors are from Atlanta, where twerking originated.

Have you heard of a "twerk-out" before? Would you sign up for a class? Share your thoughts in the comments below!

### Find Your Balance On Date Night With Stand Up Paddle Boarding In New York





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Remember how Orlando Bloom made <u>celebrity news</u> earlier this month while paddle boarding nude? We bet you do! Aside from Bloom's outrageous antics, you might have noticed increasing number of celebrities on vacation standing on boards and having paddles at hand. What is this sport that has celebrities like Jennifer Aniston, Cameron Diaz and Julia jump in S 0 ready tο the water? Well, https://www.globosurfer.com/best-inflatable-stand-paddle-board s/, also known as SUP, is a leisurely way to get in a good workout while also seeing the sights, making it a great option for <u>date night</u>! Avoid getting love handles while you're falling in love. SUP works out your core, legs, back, shoulders, arms and neck by exercising your endurance, strength and balance. In fact, you can burn anywhere from 500 to 1,000 calories in one hour! Challenge your sweetheart to a race, or do yoga at sunset. The possibilities are surprisingly endless when you're on a paddle board.

# Stand up paddle boarding is a date night activity that can get you fit. Check out some of the best places in NYC to begin your paddle boarding experience!

- 1. Manhattan Kayak + SUP: Zero experience is needed at Manhattan Kayak. It's a complete paddle sports center located in the heart of NYC. With beginner, intermediate and advanced classes taught over 40 times a week, you'll definitely find time to paddle out to the city sights. This location also offers paddle tours to iconic NYC destinations, day or night, and instructional classes for speed demons and cross fit/yoga lovers.
- 2. A-Team Paddleboarding: Offering group and private lessons at Rockaway beach in Queens, students are taught by a Rivera Paddlesurf team rider and other certified paddle board instructors. This location provides classes for those just learning how to paddle board, and those who are more experienced and want to learn how to paddle surf or race. SUP yoga and Pilates are also fitness options that are available. There's even a limited number of TRUCK-A-FLOAT sustainable living pods open to those who wish to stay overnight, ideal for a memorable date night. Book these in advance because they go quick!

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3. New York Kayak Co.: With a beautiful view of the Statue of Liberty, New York Kayak Co. offers a number of kayak and paddle boarding related options for native New Yorkers. Beginner and intermediate classes are available, along with SUP yoga and tours throughout the day. Students have the

option to learn in groups or private lessons. Club memberships offer special perks such as storage, rentals, discounts and exclusive access to facilities.

4. Rockaway Jet Ski: Home to all of your water sport needs, Rockaway Jet Ski is nestled right in the Jamaica Bay. Here you can try your hand at paddle boarding and other paddle activities, such as yoga and sightseeing tours. After your lessons, you can enjoy food, cocktails and live music at the Thai Rock deck bar and restaurant. Just imagine a romantic date night at sunset with your significant other and the NYC skyline.

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- 5. Skudin Surf Inc.: The Skudin Surf school has multiple locations throughout New York. However, their SUP branch is located on Long Beach. Here you'll be able to enjoy group, private or semi-private paddle boarding lessons in flat water or the ocean. SUP yoga and other fitness classes are also available. There's even a full moon paddle tour that could be a romantic trip for couples. Package deals and registration for adult surf camp are also an option for avid fans of paddle boarding.
- 6. Kostal Paddle: All the way in Port Washington and Island Park Long Island, Kostal Paddle is an ideal spot to learn how to paddle board. Surround yourself by the beauty of nature, and take lessons in standard paddle boarding, SUP touring and yoga. Classes are taught in the summer on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, so if you want to learn how to paddle board, then you need to reserve spots soon! Their last lesson for the year will be on September 16.

Have you heard of paddle boarding? Would you give this a try on date night? Share your thoughts in the comments below!