

# Date Idea: Stroll Through the Farmer's Market



By Amanda Martin. Updated by [Mary DeMaio](#)

Enjoy the spring weather with this weekend [date idea](#) by visiting a farmer's market with your significant other. You'll find individual vendors – mostly farmers – who set up booths to sell locally grown products.

## Great Date Idea for the Warm Weather

Stroll around, smell the flowers and try all of the food samples, from the aged Gouda to the warm loaves of sourdough

bread. Be inspired by what's in season and grab the ripest, red apple to snack on while walking around with your honey. If you're in the mood for lunch, you can find all of the ingredients here to make your very own picnic for two.

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For this date night, pair your meal with a regional wine, and head to the nearest park. Or, buy fresh vegetables to bring home and cook up with your partner using a recipe idea from one of the vendors. Either way, you'll be trying something new and saving on the cost of the bill from an expensive restaurant.

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No Farmer's Market visit is complete without a delicious tasting dessert. You can make a sweet treat out of the fruits you purchased or enjoy the fresh baked blueberry pies, apple tarts and lemon bars that are nicely packaged and ready to bring home and enjoy as a couple for this date idea.

**Have you ever gone to a farmers market with your partner? Share your stories below!**

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## **Date Idea: Make Your Own Memorial**





By Amanda Boyer. Updated by [Mary DeMaio](#)

Memorial Day weekend is the time of year when we recognize the heroic efforts of the men and women who have served our country. It also means that we have to say goodbye to spring and welcome the hot, humid weather. For this [weekend date idea](#), take the next two days to set a plan for the rest of your summer and decide what you want to accomplish during these months with your honey.

## Celebrate Memorial Day Weekend With These Date Ideas

To kick off the long weekend, have a picnic in a park. Bring some little American flags, and wear red, white, and blue to show your patriotism. Our dating advice is to leave your phones behind and spread out a comfy blanket to sit on during lunch. Use this Memorial Day date idea to talk about what this holiday means to you and share some stories about the veterans in your family.

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Find a parade around town and be sure to get a good spot. You can cuddle up next to your partner as you enjoy the floats and entertainers. The parade will show the ins and outs of our culture. There may even be a fun run or 5K that you can participate in with your significant other. Grab some spirited workout gear and support your honey all the way across the finish line.

Now, in honor of the holiday, it's time to make your own memorial. Grab a carving knife and head outdoors with your love. As you enjoy a romantic walk, find a tree that is near a special spot in your relationship and love – maybe where you shared your first kiss or had a big talk about the future. Carefully carve your initials into the bark. To make it even more special, add the date with a heart around it. That'll help you remember when you ventured out of your comfort zone to make your mark as a couple. Once you're done, take a picture of it for safe keeping.

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If tree carving isn't your thing, buy a few cans of spray paint and head to a deserted area of town. Proclaim your feelings for one another with a sweet mural that represents your relationship. You and your significant other will enjoy this chance to get your creative juices flowing. Plus, years down the road, you'll smile when you think back to this special Memorial Day weekend.

To end the night on a good note, find a drive-in movie theater nearby. Breathe in the fresh air and take a trip back in time as you watch the film. You can even sneak in some ice cream or a bottle of wine to enjoy as the on-screen story unfolds.

**Know another Memorial Day date idea? Comment below!**

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# Date Idea: Enjoy the Warm Weather



Updated by [Mary DeMaio](#)

Now that temperatures have turned, you may be searching for new [date ideas](#) to make the most of this season with your special someone. With May finally here, it's time to go outside and soak up that sunshine. Cupid has some suggestions.

## Top Three Warm Weather Date Ideas

**1. Heading to the shore:** If you've been wearing layers and

getting cozy in front of the fireplace all winter, then heading to the beach with your significant other would be a great weekend date idea. While there, have a competition between you and your love. See who can build the best sand castle or who can throw the Frisbee the farthest.

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**2. Road trips:** If you enjoy going traveling, take a trip with your partner. Better yet, visit attractions in your state that you haven't had the time to explore yet. Do you live in New York? The Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty, Staten Island Ferry and Central Park are a just a few amazing tourists areas.

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**3. Park excursions:** If you wish to relax this weekend, pack a picnic basket, grab a book and head to the park. Take this dating advice as it'll be a great way to spend quality time with your sweetheart.

**Do you have any great May date ideas? Comment below!**

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## **Celebrity Couple News: Justin Timberlake Calls Wife Jessica Biel a 'MILF'**





By [Stephanie Sacco](#)

Mother's Day brings out all the cute messages on social media. [Justin Timberlake](#) is no exception when it comes to his wife, [Jessica Biel](#). This [celebrity couple](#) is a great example of a long-term [celebrity relationship](#) that has worked. According to [UsMagazine.com](#), Timberlake wrote on his Instagram, "M.I.L.F. Alert!!!! Happy Mother's Day to this AMAZING MOM AND WIFE. And, to all of the Mother's out there.. You keep the World turning!! Hope every single one of you has an amazing day! -JT". Looks like he knows exactly what to say to make his wife feel special. [Celebrity news and gossip](#) is that this celebrity couple is in it for the long haul.

**This celebrity couple is still very much attracted to each other. What are some ways to keep the spark alive in your long-term**

# relationship?

## Cupid's Advice:

You don't need a romantic getaway or a big gesture to keep the spark alive. As long as you're both happy, there shouldn't be a problem. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Be spontaneous:** Come up with new, fun [date ideas](#) that you haven't experienced before as a couple. Pick something you've done, but your partner hasn't, or vice versa, and show them something you each love. It'll teach you something new about one another.

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**2. Be there for each other:** Support each other in every way, whether it be a work-thing or a family crisis. Listen to one another and focus on each other in your time of need. You don't need to be [dating experts](#) to hold their hand or wipe a tear off their face.

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**3. Be you:** Don't hold back when it comes to your long-term partner. Be completely honest about anything you take issue with or something that needs changing. It doesn't do either of you any good if you're keeping things from each other.

**Think you know how to keep the spark alive? Comment below!**

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# Weekend Date Idea: Spa Day at Home



By Ché Blackwood. Updated by [Brooke Crawford](#).

Warm weather is on its way, bringing with it romantic outdoor dates in mini-skirts and toe-baring sandals. But first, you and your honey need to leave all of your winter stress behind. What better way to do so than to treat yourself and the one you love to a spa day at home! Keep the day intimate by pampering one another on this [weekend date idea](#).

## Spoil Your Partner with This Spa-

# Inspired Date Idea

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Start off by giving each other manicures. If your beau protests, remind him that there is nothing wrong with a man keeping his nail beds healthy. A bonus palm massage will keep the afternoon flirty. Let him pick out a color and *attempt* to paint your nails. Keep some nail polish remover handy just in case he has trouble staying in the lines. If you're feeling daring, give each other pedicures to get your feet sandal-ready.

Spend the next hour of this date idea creating makeshift facials with items you already have in the house, like lemons, yogurt, and honey. You can also purchase a mud mask from a drug store or splurge by heading to a salon to experience the pore-cleansing heaven together. If you do stay at home, apply a mask to your partner's face by taking the time to massage it into his temples, cheeks, and jaw. This simple act will leave him relaxed and feeling like he received a professional facial.

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A healthy diet is just as important as soft skin, so be sure to cook a low-calorie meal together afterwards. If you want to keep it light, blend together a mixture of organic berries and Greek yogurt for a delicious smoothie.

Once you are done, take a few moments to meditate with one another. Sit in silence and enjoy the tranquility of a quiet afternoon with the one you love. This [dating advice](#) is sure to relax you both and refocus your relationship.

**How do you like to pamper your honey? Let us know in the comments below!**

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# Weekend Date Idea: Walk for a Charity



By Gabby Robles. Updated by [Brooke Crawford](#).

The sun shines brightly, and the air is a cool. It's particularly enjoyable outside, and charity walks are perfect for this time of year. Throw on a pair of leggings and lightweight t-shirt to take a walk for a cause with your lover. Sometimes, weekend [date ideas](#) can get repetitive. The movie theater, a favorite restaurant, or the local art gallery are all typical date night spots. Try our dating advice and do something that will give back *and* get your heart rate up!

# Give Back With This Date Idea

Finding a charity walk is simple. If one of your Facebook friends is not posting about one, check out local listings on your own. Check your local Starbucks; each store has a non-profit board that often has all sorts of charity events posted.

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If you want to choose a cause that is close to your heart, search for events related to that cause and see if there is a walk going on. Runs that fund breast cancer or leukemia research and poverty are pretty common. You and your significant other can talk about what charities are important to you. Make it a topic of discussion to deepen your bond and open you up to each other.

Doing a charity walk not only promotes and helps out the cause, but it's also a great way to do a fun workout with your sweetheart. Usually, these walks are at least a 5K, so you'll be able to replace gym time. Even if you opt to walk rather than run, as many people do, you can have some alone time with your significant other and possibly make a few friends along the way.

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Most walks take place in the morning, so end this charitable date idea by heading to your favorite brunch spot to recap the morning and share a delicious meal.

**What charity events have you participated in? Share with us in the comments below.**

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# Weekend Date Idea: Bases, Peanuts, and Home Runs!



By Gabby Robles. Updated by [Brooke Crawford](#).

It's time to make a baseball game your next weekend date idea. Although tickets can be pricey, it is possible to watch a baseball game without breaking the bank. It only takes a little creativity and thinking out the box to make this date idea happen on a budget! Don't worry – Cupid is here to provide [dating advice](#) to help you flesh out the details.

# Enjoy a Baseball Game on This Date Idea

Taking your man to watch a baseball game is the perfect opportunity to let your beau see your sportier side. Use this date idea to let loose. Impress your man with your passion for the sport and knowledge of its history.

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Make it a group date by inviting some friends to join in on the fun. You may even be able to play matchmaker! Or if you want to keep it in the family, ask your guy's siblings or parents to join you. This will give you a chance to get closer to his loved ones in a social, relaxed setting. Either way, it's a great time to make some memories.

Instead of taking a trip to your major league team's stadium, stay local. Find a sports bar near you where you can watch the game and have a few wings. As long as you're both into the game and enjoying your time like the rest of the baseball fanatics, you are sure to have almost as much fun as actually being there. You can also wear your favorite jersey or your team's color to really get in the mood.

If you are not into the bar scene, take your date to check out a local county or high school baseball game. Most cities have baseball teams that play open games on the weekends. Be sure to bring snacks (boiled peanuts and Cracker Jacks are two winners!) and wear your favorite baseball attire.

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While there, see how you can get involved. Maybe they have a co-ed team that you could join! Athletic skills are one of the many ways couples can connect. It's also a great way to meet friends and possibly find a new baseball-loving crew. Doing something that you both love is essential to a strong

relationship, and when you keep it light-hearted, you're sure to have a great date!

How have you incorporated baseball into a date idea? Tell us in the comments below!

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## Weekend Date Idea: Spring Cleaning



By Ché Blackwood. Updated by [Brooke Crawford](#).

A fresh breeze through your curtains and the smell of Daffodils only means one thing: It's Spring! With the great scents and not-so great-showers comes the sudden urge to read

outside together, plan a picnic, and, unfortunately, clean. This year, turn one of the most daunting tasks of the changing season into a great date by taking on the challenge with your sweetheart. This weekend [date idea](#) is sure to spruce up your love life *and* your home.

## Tackle Spring Cleaning With These Dating Tips

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Grab some bagels and head over to your beau's place. Bring garbage bags and Lysol to help him clean until his pad shines and smells of lemons. If he's a true bachelor, you might need a box of rubber gloves too. Since getting rid of the old to make room for the new can cause anxiety, be sure to stay encouraging and upbeat. Go through his items together, as doing so will give you the opportunity to learn more about him. You will be able to hear the story of his favorite old sweatshirt or that strange, vintage lamp, giving you a glimpse into his past.

If you are motivated enough, then head on over to his office, and help discard old papers and files. Most companies have an [office cleaning service](#) but unfortunately, they can't go through years of documents. So, he will need your help with that.

After his home and office are spotless, switch roles and turn the focus onto your own home. Stay open-minded and don't be afraid to share intimate details of your life before you met him. Testing your boundaries will make you grow closer – and you'll be freeing up closet space at the same time!

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After you have had all the cleaning you can take, celebrate by going shopping together. Pick out a pretty picture or unique clock to fill up all that new, empty wall or bookshelf space. If you are really feeling romantic, purchase an engraved picture frame to memorialize the day. There is nothing better than a fresh-scented home filled with even fresher memories. These dating tips are sure to help when you are struggling for a few date ideas this Spring!

**How can you use this dating advice to keep spring cleaning fun? Share your thoughts below!**

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## **Weekend Date Idea: Rack Up a Few Laughs At a Comedy Show!**





By Daniela Agurcia and [Brooke Crawford](#)

With April Fools Day today, why not step away from your normal date idea and attend a comedy show this weekend? A stand-up show can be the perfect way to trigger that funny bone for you and your partner. Forget about all of the awkwardness of an ordinary dinner-and-a-movie date. If your sweetheart has a sense of humor, then the comedian's inappropriate jokes will be ironically appropriate. Consider this [dating advice](#) by heading to one of the three spots below!

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## Follow This Dating Advice to Second City

This world renowned comedy club was first opened during 1959 in the Old Town neighborhood of Chicago, Illinois. The Chicago Second City has helped mold comedians such as Bill Murray and Steve Carell. It is not only a comedy club, but this legendary establishment is host to classes as well. Check their website

for your next weekend date idea, and who knows, maybe you will catch someone famous while you're there!

Formerly located in the heart of Chelsea, New York, Caroline's has become a prime New York nightlife spot for those looking to take in a few laughs. The newest location was one of the prime establishments in the renewal of the Times Square district. Headliners such as Kathy Griffin, Dave Chappelle, and Tracy Morgan have graced the stage. This place is sure to give you a great night out on the town.

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The Comedy Store, nestled in the heart of Hollywood, is not only a historical location, but it also has a story behind the name. Co-founder Sammy Shore originally had a TV show before deciding to open the notorious club with his former wife Mitzi. The celebrity exes have a son who can often be seen there because the business is still owned by his mother. Be sure to get in a drink with a splash of laughter at this historical nightlife spot. As you can see, taking your beau to a comedy show is a unique date idea when you're looking for something new to do.

**What are some great comedy shows you have attended? Share below.**

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## **Tease Your Taste Buds on This Weekend Date Idea**



By Brooke Crawford

If you're in need of a new weekend date idea, improve your palate and tease your taste buds by taking a couples trip to a winery or brewery. Napa Valley is one of the world's premier locations for fine wine. If you live on the West Coast, you can plan a romantic getaway to one of the region's romantic vineyards. On the East Coast, north Georgia is home to some wineries too.

## **A Beer and Wine-Filled Date Idea**

Is your partner more of a beer fan? New York City is home to a variety of wonderful options. The Brooklyn Brewery not only serves an assortment of beer, but it also offers tours and allows customers to order food from the surrounding area. Or with summer approaching, try the Standard Biergarten's lovely

outdoor facility, which is right below the beautiful High Line.

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Put a spin on the winery date idea by visiting The Sommelier Society of America. Since 1954, the organization offers wine education classes and tasting programs for couples who want to become more knowledgeable about reds, whites, and roses.

Maybe you don't have a weekend to plan a trip away. You and your partner could also enjoy a fun-filled day activity touring one of the famous Anheuser-Busch breweries. The St. Louis location is currently the number one ranked brewery in the United States. Tours are available in four other states as well.

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## Dating Advice from a Favorite Celebrity Couple

Famous couple [Angelina Jolie](#) and [Brad Pitt](#) took wine-tasting to a whole new level by buying Chateau Miraval, a winemaking estate in France, in 2012 after leasing the property for three years. This is the same location that the celebrity couple held their wedding. Grab a bottle of the vineyard's famous rose Miraval (formerly known as Pink Floyd) for your next date night!

**Do you have any great date ideas centered around wine or beer? Share with us in the comments below!**

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# 5 Pieces of Relationship Advice You Can't Live Without



By [Josh Ringler](#)

In every relationship, there comes a time when you need someone else's advice or opinion to get things to work again, or to move the relationship along. If that's you, you've come to the right place. There are plenty of tidbits of [relationship advice](#) a variety of people can offer you. However, most relationships are unique and not just one piece of advice will do the trick. If your relationship is dying, use some or all of these pieces of advice to heal it.

# These pieces of relationship advice will make your relationship stronger and more successful. Check it out!

**1. Communication is Key:** In any relationship, it is important to keep a solid line of communication open. If misunderstandings and miscommunications are happening too often, a problem could be in this aspect of your relationship. When communication is strong, you and your partner will almost always be strong as well. If it is lacking, or if relationship problems persist, the way you and your partner communicate could be the underlying reason for those problems. Even [celebrity relationships](#) have their fair share of communication problems, so you're not alone. These types of problems can happen to anyone, but by working out any communication problems and learning how to communicate better with each other, you'll only get stronger.

**2. Keep it interesting:** If your relationship has been going on for a long time, the biggest fears you may have could be that it is getting too boring, tiring, or just not exciting. One of the most important pieces of relationship advice to remember is to keep things interesting and lively if possible. Whether it's a fun date night or a new restaurant, changing up your dates can only help the relationship grow. You don't have to plan big surprises, or do special things every weekend! Instead, make a list of [date ideas](#) like restaurants, Broadway shows, sporting events, or even a different type of movie theater, like a dine-in or drive-in. Creating a to-do list puts forth an exciting challenge for the two of you to complete!

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**3. Be unique:** While remaining unique is an essential piece of dating advice, being unique is also important to the success of your relationship. You don't want to be too normal or typical. Granted, you also don't want to get *too* unique, but there are many ways to make life more exciting by being a little bit different, in a good way. There should always be a comfort zone, but you shouldn't be afraid to push those boundaries either. Being a little bit different will only help the communication get stronger between you two and will definitely keep things exciting. Of course, be your own person, but being unique in a new way will only enhance the relationship for you and your partner.

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**4. Be truthful and honest:** Along with communication, trust and honesty need to be some of the strongest aspects of a relationship for it to work out. If the relationship remains honest, trust will follow. Part of creating a good relationship is forming a good team, and trust goes along with that. Without trust or honesty, the well-being of your love life could be in jeopardy, especially if you are in a long distance relationship. These traits will allow the relationship to prosper if the conditions are right and if the two of you are ready to become more serious.

**5. Put the "friend" in girlfriend/boyfriend:** Being a friend to your partner is a great way to keep a relationship from dying. A simple "How are you?" or "How was your day?" not only shows you care, but shows that you are actually interested in the other person's life and want what is best for your friend. Everyone knows of that one man (or woman) who is just "too cool" for feelings. Sometimes people don't think that being friends is an important step, but a relationship is just an upgraded friendship, with some extra benefits.

**Do these pieces of advice work for you? If so, tell us how in**



the comments below!

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# Weekend Date Idea: Kinkajous, Horses, and Clown Fish – Oh My!



By [Brooke Crawford](#)

According to *HelpGuide.org*, spending time with a furry friend can provide both mental and physical health benefits. So take a step away from your normal date night activities and invite a furry friend along next time! Our [dating advice](#) below could

help you relieve some stress and take your relationship to a new level.

## An Exotic Weekend Date Idea

The Exotic Animal Experience, located in Orlando, Florida, is home to many endangered and exquisite animals. According to the owner, these animals have been raised together since birth and are now interactive with each other as well as guests. Some of the animals that can be seen include lemurs, kangaroos, and even a kinkajou. If you want to spend time with these cute companions, call ahead to make a reservation.

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Although horses aren't as exotic as the animals mentioned above, horseback riding can still provide the type of one-on-one time that you and your partner are craving. Sequoia and King Canyon, located in the Sequoia National Park in California, offers three different areas for your next horseback riding adventure. These trails give riders a refreshing view of beautiful scenery – perfect for a tranquil and romantic weekend date idea. Again, be sure to call ahead for accommodations.

Tropical Adventures is a California-based company that provides not only scuba diving classes but trips for divers with various levels of experience. Room, board, and dives are included in their year-round package deals. See who can spot Nemo and his clown fish friends first!

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Incorporate your love for animals into your relationship with this date idea. If you need a little inspiration, look to celebrity couple [Ian Somerhalder](#) and wife [Nikki Reed](#), as the pair are often seen rescuing and loving on furry friends of all kinds.

What's your favorite way to spend time with animals? Share with us in the comments below!

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## Enjoy the Outdoors With This Challenging Date Idea!





By [Brooke Crawford](#)

According to PsychologyToday.com, one of the qualities of a very successful relationship is the ability to stand together in the face of external challenges. Why not embark on a walk on the wild side and take your date outdoors? Not only will you learn about yourself, but you'll learn how to navigate through challenges as a couple – and you'll grow closer in the process. Consider our [dating advice](#) below to add a little adventure to your next date.

## **Follow This Dating Advice All the Way to Acadia National Park**

During the 20th century, large parcels of land were donated in order to form what is now called Acadia National Park. This park is home to natural life, three campgrounds, five lean-to shelters, and the tallest mountain on the Atlantic coast. If you're looking to fit in some exercise on this weekend date idea, it boasts hiking trails for the thrill seeker. It's also a great spot if you're just looking for a little fresh air.

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Another great outdoor activity to consider is whitewater rafting. If you live in West Virginia, the Gauley River, nicknamed the Beast of the East, boasts the most intense whitewater rafting east of the Mississippi. This 105-mile long river creates the perfect space to test your endurance and coordination as a couple. If you're concerned about intensity, New River is an easier path to navigate. Choose this activity for your next outdoor, water adventure!

## **Date Idea: Get Wet and Wild at the Columbia River Gorge**

The Columbia River Gorge is the perfect getaway for windy water sports, including windsurfing, paddle boarding, and kiteboarding. This gorge is said to be the largest scenic area in the United States and includes a mixture of trails, forests, and windy rivers. Whether you fancy a trail walk or a windy ride on a paddle board, there is something for every couple looking for some outdoor fun. Leave your phones at home and spend a weekend here connecting with nature and one another.

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These outdoor date ideas allow you and your partner to focus on your relationship without the strain of your normal day-to-day expectations. Challenge your relationship by tackling these activities as a team and grow through your new experiences.

**What's your favorite outdoor date idea? Share with us in the comments below!**

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# Dating Advice: Get Inspired by Childhood Fun



By [Brooke Crawford](#)

It's easy to get bogged down with your school work or job and other adult responsibilities, but sometimes, you need to embrace your inner kid and let loose. Luckily, Cupid is here to help with these fun date ideas! Whether you are a busy college student, a mom of two, or an account executive, follow our [dating advice](#) and get inspired by childhood fun.

# Follow This Dating Advice and Visit Historical Coney Island

Located in the borough of Brooklyn, Coney Island is host to two amusement parks, Luna Park and Deno's Wonder Wheel Amusement Park, as well as rides not associated with the parks. The Wonder Wheel was built in 1918, has stationary and rocking cars, and is illuminated at night by neon tubes. Built in 1927 with an 85-foot drop, the Cyclone is one of the oldest wooden roller coasters in the United States. To top it off, the Thunderbolt was recently built and includes a 90-degree vertical drop followed by a 100-foot loop. If you're looking for more relaxed activities on this weekend date idea, there are multiple tossing and shooting games as well as a carousel and circus sideshows. This historical location is the perfect place to put this dating advice into action!

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Another way to enjoy this date idea filled with childhood fun is to go on a scavenger hunt. There are endless organizations and groups that organize monthly get-togethers. The popular website Meet Up maintains a vibrant New York group that hosts an underground scavenger hunt throughout the subway system. Teams meet at a particular subway stop and begin the hunt for various subway items along the system. Additionally, Stray Boots organizes pre-arranged private, corporate, individual and group quests in over 40 different cities. You even have the option to organize a scavenger hunt with other couples. A scavenger hunt can get the adrenaline pumping and help you grow closer while working to win.

## Take This Date Idea to the Happiest

# Place on Earth

Orlando, Florida is host to one of the happiest places on Earth: Disney World. Home to four theme parks, two water parks, 24 themed hotels, many golf courses, and downtown Disney, it hosts millions of people a year. Themed ride, cultured foods, and exotic animals make for an extra special date idea. If you truly want to embrace your inner kid, it's the place to go. Who knows – you may even see a celebrity wedding during your visit!

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Every couple can benefit from some child's play. From the Big Apple to the Sunshine State, there are plenty of activities that spark your favorite childhood memories. Remember that dating is always a fun-filled adventure with the right person!

**How do you embrace your inner kid on date night? Share with us in the comments below!**

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## **Date Idea: Have an Oscar Nominated Movie Date Night**







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[By Mary DeMaio](#)

With the Oscar's right around the corner, what better way to get in the spirit than curling up on the couch next to that special someone and catching up on the most popular nominated movies. Movies On Demand is the perfect [date idea](#) and visitors can find the timeliest titles and take part in an [Oscars Pool](#) right now. It's like a March Madness bracket for movies! Just go to the interactive site and pick your Oscar win predictions up until the start of the show on Sunday, February 28. Users can create their own pools or participate in others.

**Check out some of the nominated movies available for a great date idea On Demand now!**

What Oscar-nominated movies are available to you? You'll find *The Martian*, *Inside Out*, *Shaun the Sheep Movie*, *Straight Outta Compton*, *Bridge of Spies*, *Spectre*, *Trumbo*, and *Steve Jobs* to

name a few. New titles will continue to premiere On Demand during the lead up to the Oscars. These brand new movie titles won't be released to the Netflix library for a very long time!

This movie date idea will help get you in the Oscar spirit before the weekend comes. And if you are into trivia, here are some fun facts that you could use on your friends:

### **Movie Fun Facts:**

*Straight Outta Compton:* The actors re-recorded NWA's entire Straight Outta Compton album to help them get into character.

*Martian:* The Martian is based on a book which was initially self-published for free on a blog.

*Bonus Fun Fact:* Matt Damon is the only Best Actor nominee for this year's Oscars who is nominated for playing a fictional character. All the other Best Actor nominees were nominated for playing historical figures.

*Tune in this Sunday, February 28th to watch the 88th Academy Awards on ABC. Exclusive red carpet coverage begins at 7:00 p.m. EST/ 4:00 p.m. PST, immediately followed by the awards ceremony at 8:30 p.m. EST / 5:30 p.m. PST. Tune-in to ABC on your television or live stream\* the Oscars at [ABC.com](http://ABC.com) or the [WATCH ABC app](#).*

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**Celebrity Wedding: Jodie Sweetin Is Engaged to BF**

# Justin Hodak



By Jasmine Igwegbe

There's still room in the *Full House* for one more apparently. In the latest celebrity news, Jodie Sweetin and Justin Hodak are preparing for a [celebrity wedding](#). The celebrity couple have been together for two years and recently decided that tying the knot is in the best interests for both of them. According to [UsMagazine.com](#), this is the fourth marriage for Sweetin, "who struggled with substance abuse for years after growing up in the spotlight."

## Another celebrity wedding is in the

# works! What are some ways to know a marriage has staying power?

## Cupid's Advice:

Walking down the aisle to partake in one of the most exciting life changing experiences is something we all hope to experience one day. Having a powerful marriage is also a goal we all hope to accomplish. Cupid has some [relationship advice](#) to ensure than your marriage has staying power:

**1. Your partner is your "go-to":** Studies prove that it is vital for your partner to be someone you can share gossip or hysterical observations with. Having a partner who is your best friend is the key to a powerful marriage.

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**2. Steady level of conflicts:** When the going gets tough, you hope your partner is there for you even 10 years later. It is perfectly okay to have conflicts with your partner as long as those arguments are fair and rational. Anger is considered a healthy emotion. Feel free to resolve any conflicts through an argument, but play safe!

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**3. Are you still having fun?:** If your partner is still finding ways to act silly and make you laugh, then you're still having fun and your marriage is powerful. It's like the person you married never left.

**What do you believe are other ways to know your marriage is powerful? Share your thoughts below.**

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# Relationship Advice: 10 Holiday Date Ideas For Long Time Couples



By [David Wygant](#)

Ho ho ho, merry Christmas...politically incorrect as that might be. To tell you the truth, I miss the days when Rudolph and Santa reigned and everybody wasn't as PC by saying "happy holidays," but it's the perfect season to put the focus back on your relationship and love. Even though the magic might be fading in your LTR, I have some great date ideas and [relationship advice](#) that will wake up the romance and bring

the naughty and nice back into your sleepy, long term relationship.

## Relationship Advice For The Holiday Season

**1. Nothing's sexier than dressing as his sexy little elf.** A little bit of lingerie and Santa's cap will go a long way. As a relationship expert, I strongly suggest surprising him with very naughty red lingerie and a red Santa's cap, letting him play Santa to your naughty little elf.

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**2. Go for a walk together and take in the holiday spirit.** Considering that most of the country is bathed in balmy spring weather right now, it's nice to go out at night and just walk around and see the Christmas lights. They will bring back romance from yesteryear and today. It's almost like visiting the ghost of Christmas past and seeing the ghost of Christmas future. Hold hands, reminisce, get new ideas...then go home and have some fun!

**3. Hot chocolate.** Nothing is more fun than sitting by a fireplace with your honey and drinking some hot cocoa. Find a little cafe where you can sit, watch the fire, sip on hot cocoa, and people watch. You will quickly realize how grateful you are to still be a team. It's wonderful when you can reminisce and remember how great things are and can be.

**4. Bedtime stories.** Read him a Christmas bedtime story and it'll remind you just how magical the night can be. Couples need to reconnect, and when you reconnect to your youth, you reconnect to easy feelings of when things were fun and open.

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**5. Take a sleigh ride.** Even in Southern California, there are places that you can go sleigh riding. Once again, doing something that children love to do will awaken that spirit in you. These are the most exciting things to do when it comes to dating during the holidays. So take a sleigh ride together.

**6. Go caroling.** It might sound cheesy, but my relationship advice is to go caroling because of the closeness you'll feel with your partner. Singing songs in a group of people enables the inner child to come out and play. When a relationship gets stale, it's like old bread, or even old cookies, that even Santa's reindeer would reject. It's wonderful to just go and sing and be a kid all over again.

**7. Watch *A Christmas Story* together.** One of the best holiday movies out there. It's a movie that will remind you of when things were fun and easy. It's also a little spooky and life affirming. Great for cuddling.

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**8. Watch some holiday movies.** What would Christmas be without *A Wonderful Life*? So get some good holiday movies, watch *Harry Met Sally* and *Sleepless In Seattle*. Movies that will remind you of Christmas, maybe *Home Alone*. Have a marathon and make some popcorn.

**9. Get a Charlie Brown Christmas tree and bring it over to her house.** Or if you're living together, bring it home one day and decorate it with Christmas songs playing in the background. Wrap a little blanket around the tree and put up those ornaments.

**10. A gift a day, goes a long way.** There are 12 days of Christmas. Everyday give each other a little gift. A gift that reminds you of how much you love one another. Make it something simple and fun, even if it's just a card or a candy cane.

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*For more expert dating advice from David, click [here](#).*

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## **Arielle Ford Gives Relationship Advice in New Book 'Turn Your Mate Into Your Soulmate'**







Interview by [Rebecca White](#). Written by [Emma Malefakis](#).

One thing that can be even harder than finding “The One,” is staying with them. In her new self-help relationship book, New York Times best selling author Arielle Ford shares 16 simple yet exciting steps to reignite the flames in your relationship and love. In her new book *Turn Your Mate Into Your Soulmate*, Ford says that you can reinvigorate your love life no matter how extinct you may think it is. In this exclusive author interview Ford opens up about her own marriage, talks about her favorite celebrity relationships, and gives her best date ideas and [relationship advice](#).

## **Arielle Ford Shares Best Relationship Advice and Dating Tips**

**How would you say you became a better partner in your own relationship?**

The first thing I really had to do was learn how to communicate. I grew up in a home where everyone yelled at each

other, which I didn't realize is actually a really ineffective way to get your needs met. There was so much I didn't know. I thought love was just a feeling, but love is also a behavior, decision, choice, and commitment. There will be days you are with your beloved and you don't like them very much, but that doesn't mean you don't love them. When you're not feeling the love the assumption is that something is wrong, but the better assumption to make is that this is normal. There are studies that say every couple has a minimum of 9 irreconcilable differences. So you really need to learn how to communicate. You have to realize what the issues are and be vulnerable enough to share them with each other. What I hope this book does for people is get them to see that in order to have a really healthy, happy, long lasting relationship, you need more than just chemistry.

**Why do you think people put so much pressure on themselves to find a soulmate? Do you think it's really *that* important?**

I think we're designed as human beings to share our lives with another person and I think it's possible for everyone. If you have a desire for something, that in itself is proof that it's meant to be yours. The thing that gets in the way for most people is their beliefs. They believe there is only one soulmate for everyone, which isn't true. There are hundreds of potential soulmates for everyone, but you have to open yourself up, become vulnerable, and understand that it's a process. I talked to one woman who did online dating for 3 years and said she went on 79 first dates, until she had 'the one.' I asked her if it was all worth it and she said absolutely, she never thought she could be that happy. So many people give up when they just didn't get to the finish line yet. Maybe the timing wasn't right. Maybe the guy who is right for you is in the middle of a divorce, or a big move, or going through big business pressures – but he's out there, I know he's out there.

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## [Dating And Relationship Advice in New Book](#)

**Turn Your Mate Into Your Soulmate** includes 16 fun ways to reignite the passionate spark. Do you have a favorite one?

Well when you're in love with somebody it can literally be measured by a CAT scan by which parts of your brain light up when asked about your partner. So the chemicals are always there whether or not you're feeling them. If you get to the point where you're not feeling them at all, one thing you can do is get your partner and mutually decide to do something together that you both perceive as life threatening, like skydiving, zip lining, or a scary roller coaster ride. Do something that is going to give both of you a big adrenaline rush, and that will instantly kick start your brain chemistry to make you feel more in love and more passionate again.

**What are some good date ideas that can reignite the flames of a long-term relationship?**

I would say anything that is new and different. I believe that you should have a regular standing date night that is non-negotiable. And I believe you should make dates for sex. Date night is about just the two of you getting out of the house, doing something new, and having the time to talk. Sex dates can be short. They don't have to be a big ordeal. I think you should have a sex date even if you don't necessarily want to, because it's kind of like riding a bike. You may not feel it or be in the mood to have sex, but one of you does, so for the health benefits for your partner show up anyway, and once you get into it, you'll end up enjoying it. The other thing I would say is approach your mate with curiosity. Don't assume you already know everything about them. Ask them things you haven't asked them in years.

**What would be your best piece of relationship advice for someone struggling to find the perfect partner?**

In quantum physics there's something called the unified field.

In the unified field, past, present, and future all exist at one time, and everybody and everything is already connected molecularly. There is nothing and no one to whom you're not connected. So you are already connected to your soulmate on the unseen level. You don't know their name, you don't know who they are, you don't know when you're going to meet them, but you can start the relationship right now today. That's what I did with Brian. Even though I didn't know him, I decided to start the relationship in my mind, talking to him everyday and sharing my life with him in my imagination. That's why I believe that when we met on the physical plane it was this instantaneous recognition. It's something I call love before first sight. So if you're living like it's not going to happen for you, it's not going to happen. But if you are willing to use your imagination and trust, know, and believe your soulmate is not only out there, but also looking for you too, you can pull them in much faster.

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**What is your best dating tip to help your readers establish healthy romantic relationships?**

Practice kindness. Be as loving, generous, kind, and compassionate to your partner as you can possibly be. We are all doing the best we can. Kindness goes so much further. If you're angry and upset, it's impossible for your partner to be happy, especially if he is a masculine male. Happiness is an inside job. It's about personal responsibility. Your soulmate can add happiness to your life, but they can't make you happy. Only you can make you happy. To be a great partner you have to take care of yourself first.

**Can you tell us which famous couple you think demonstrates a good example of a healthy partnership and why?**

Michelle and Barack Obama definitely, politics aside. They have tremendous love for each other. All you have to do is look at pictures of them together, and it is evident that they love, respect and support each other. I think they are terrific role models. In the Hollywood scene, the celebrity couple I really admire is Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson. I think they are the real deal as well. Celebrities have a hard time because you can only have one rock star per couple, so with two big egos in the same relationship there is a give and take dynamic, and only one really gets nurtured.

**Are there any upcoming projects that you'd like to share with our readers?**

I'm starting my book tour in a couple of weeks so I'll be in New York at the Open Center January 12th doing a workshop. I've also got a ton of free bonuses for people who buy the book. There are also some videos on the [MateToSoulMate.com](http://MateToSoulMate.com) from other experts on the topic, so check it out!

*You can purchase [Turn Your Mate Into Your Soulmate](#) on Amazon. For more about author Arielle Ford, visit her website [ArielleFord.com](http://ArielleFord.com)*

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**Move Over, Broadway! Paper Mill Playhouse Introduces**

# 'The Bandstand'



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By Katelyn Di Salvo

Looks like Broadway has some competition on it's hands with Paper Mill Playhouse's latest never-before-seen musical show, [\*The Bandstand\*](#). This play makes for a perfect [weekend date idea](#) with your loved one.

Paper Mill Playhouse is a not-for-profit organization that has been entertaining audiences with their live theatre performances since 1938! Now, the regional theater group is launching it's exciting 2015-2016 season with, *The Bandstand*. A sizzling new big-band swing musical that features live band music, explosive choreography and a beautifully crafted narrative.

# Weekend Date Idea: Check Out the Musical Show That's Giving Broadway a Run For It's Money

*The Bandstand* tells the story of a mismatched band of military veterans, joined together by the driven and inspired character of Donny Novitski, played by the very talented actor and singer Corey Cott. The band competes in a national radio contest in New York City, where the winners will receive instant stardom! While on their journey to fame, the group struggles with complicated relationships, the demands of the competition and the challenging after-effects of the war. This makes winning the contest seem like nothing more than a fantasy. The plot thickens as a love story develops between Donny and Julia (played by Tony Award nominee Laura Osnes).

Cott and Osnes have been friends for a few years and have incredible chemistry on stage. Cott describes working with Osnes as "a dream come true."

What makes this play so incredibly unique compared to other Broadway shows is that a portion of the music is integrated into the story and played live on stage. There are 12 pieces in the orchestra pit and six pieces on stage. This can be extremely difficult to manage, but works so well in *The Bandstand*.



The cast of 'The Bandstand.'

The play is directed and choreographed by Tony Award winner, Andy Blankenbuehler, who describes the live music on stage as, "a very big sound, a sound that will get people out of their seats and dancing." The play also features a book and lyrics by Richard Oberacker and Robert Taylor and stars Tony Award winner Beth Leavel. The musical numbers are charged with emotion and leave you hanging onto every note. Cott and Osnes pour their souls into every number and really dedicate themselves to their character.

Aside from *The Bandstand*, Paper Mill Playhouse has a line up of great shows including, *A Christmas Story*, *The Bronx Tale*, *Pump Boys and Dinettes* and *Westside Story*! Located in Millburn, New Jersey it's like having Broadway in your backyard!

So will the band make it to stardom? Or will the tension within the group destroy their chances? Find out for yourself by taking a quick trip to Millburn, N.J., and visiting the Paper Mill Playhouse on October 8th through November 8th. *The Bandstand* will be performed eight times a week, Wednesday through Sunday. Tickets are on sale now, so buy two tickets one for you and one for your significant other and have a romantic 'dinner and a show' [date night](#)! Visit [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org) to get yours today!



*Disclaimer: The Bandstand contains strong language and adult themes. Recommended for ages 13 and up.*

**GIVEAWAY ALERT:** One lucky reader will get the chance to win two tickets to see *The Bandstand* at the Paper Mill Playhouse located in Millburn, N.J. To enter our giveaway, email cupid@cupidspulse.com with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number. The contest ends next Friday, October 9th at noon EST. Good luck!

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## Find Out 'The Bachelorette' Kaitlyn Bristowe's Worst Date Moment So Far





By Meranda Yslas

This season of reality TV's [The Bachelorette](#) is just getting started and there are already intense moments happening with Kaitlyn Bristowe and her men. On her blog for [People.com](#), she wrote that having a group boxing date idea was fun, but there were a few moments where the bachelorette was nervous about how competitive the contestants might be. When Ben Zorn and Jared Haibon stepped into the ring to fight, "I was terrified. I think you could actually see my heart beating out of my chest! At least it felt like it. The hit Jared took was my worst nightmare." The episode ended with Kupah James being eliminated and storming off in anger.

**This 'Bachelorette' is starting things off with a bang! What are three unique things to do on a first date?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

First dates can set the tone of how the rest of the relationship and love will continue, so it's important to start off on the right foot. Great dates don't have to be extravagant or over the top, but creativity does count. Here are a few relationship tips for planning a fun and unique first date:

**1. Go rock climbing:** If you and your new partner are into physical activity, strap on a harness and go rock climbing. Many cities have indoor facilities where you two can show off your competitive edge and see who can make it to the top first.

**Related Link:** [Spoiler Alert! This Season's 'Bachelorette' is Revealed](#)

**2. Homemade dinner:** Going out for dinner is a classic first date idea, but making it yourself adds a unique twist. You and your date can go grocery shopping together, pick out the ingredients and start cooking. It's a fun way to get to know your date in a stress free environment.

**Related Link:** [New Photos: The Countdown to 'The Bachelorette' Begins with Britt and Kaitlyn](#)

**3. Take a class:** There are many places you can go to take a fun and short class, such as pottery or painting. Plus, at the end of the date you two will have a cute souvenir to take home!

**What did you and your partner do for a first date? Share below.**

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# Exclusive Celebrity Interview with Reality TV Star Chef Richard Blais



By Meranda Yslas

With summer around the corner, people will be bringing out their barbecues and getting ready for cookouts. Lucky for us, reality TV chef Richard Blais shared some helpful tips for starting up our grills in our [exclusive celebrity interview](#). Read on for more!

## Exclusive Celebrity Interview with

# Reality TV's *Top Chef*

Blais first appeared on television in season 4 of Bravo's *Top Chef*, and nine years later, he is making his return to the small screen. "I'm returning again as a judge for *Top Chef* season 13, which we're getting ready to film in California," he explains. Since his premiere on the reality TV show, the New York native has made great strides in his career. He has already published one cookbook, and the second one will be out later this year. He shares that it's "going to be great," adding, "It'll be in the same vein as my first cookbook, focusing on creativity for the home cook. I'm really excited about it."

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Being a chef is a career where you're constantly honing your skills and even learning new techniques. There's no doubt that Blais has changed since the start of his career. "My cooking has become more for the people than it is for myself," he says. "I cook for everyone and hope to inspire home cooks to get creative in the kitchen because that's when it's really fun." The *Top Chef All-Stars* winner elaborates on his new approach to cooking: When in the kitchen, "it's not about me; it's about the guest. I cook for everyone else, whether it's at my restaurants or on TV – it's all about the people who enjoy your food."

## Learning The Science of Food

Some people may think that cooking is just about throwing in ingredients and hoping for a tasty result, but there is actually a science and psychology behind food decisions. "Science is about asking questions, and as chefs, we often ask questions about how to make food taste good," Blais reveals. "Understanding where food comes from is understanding the

science of deliciousness.” Being aware of this science ultimately influences how the reality TV star cooks and what ingredients he uses. “I really like to look at flavor, and if it is delicious and makes people happy, then I’m very interested,” he adds.

One type of flavor that the Trail Blais owner has been paying attention to recently is the smoky flavor of barbecue. “There’s a nostalgia with smoked foods – everyone has a personal memory. Whether it is a family cookout, a favorite barbecue dish, or the summer holidays, who doesn’t love smoked foods?” he says.

If you’re interested in grilling out, consider this advice from the chef: “When smoking meat, the type of wood you use is key, as each wood creates a smoke with its own unique and distinct flavor. That’s why I’m excited to be working with Boar’s Head on their Black Forest Beechwood Smoked Ham,” he divulges. “It’s naturally smoked with imported beechwood from Germany and has a clean, balanced flavor. It’s a distinct braise that’s not bitter or ashy, and the texture and color is amazing.”

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Achieving this distinct and delicious flavor isn’t as hard as one might think. “The best thing to do is use things that already have smoked ingredients...and get creative in the kitchen,” he advises.

Of course, a great date idea for this summer is to fire up the grill with your significant other and try out some recipes with a smoky flavor. Blais offers three final tips to make your cookout successful: “First, wear Hollywood short shorts. Second, do most of the work ahead of time. *Mis en place*. And third, use a wood-burning grill and make sure you have a great playlist!”

You can keep up with Richard on Twitter @RichardBlais and [www.facebook.com/richardblaisofficial/](http://www.facebook.com/richardblaisofficial/)!

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## Date Idea: Star Light, Star Bright



By [Rebecca White](#)

Whether you celebrate around a tree or a menorah, the holiday spirit is in full swing – and so is the stress that comes along with it. Your [relationship and love](#) life may feel strained from all of the pressure. If you're in need of a romantic evening with your partner, dive into the cultural

craze and Hanukkah spirit with a personal take on “The Festival of Lights.” This weekend date idea is the perfect opportunity to stargaze together and enjoy nature’s own decorative lights.

## **Stargaze to Improve Your Relationship and Love**

To get started with this date idea, you’ll need to grab some winter wear and hot cocoa (don’t forget the peppermint schnapps!) so you stay warm while you look at the stars. Next, you’ve got to find the best spot in your neighborhood. If you live in the city, don’t worry! All those bright lights may make it difficult, but it’s not impossible. The Amateur Astronomer’s Association of New York leads stargazing ventures every week.

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There’s nothing more romantic than lying with your significant other under a big, fluffy, cashmere blanket while stargazing in the great outdoors. Let the holiday spirit bring your relationship and love to the next level. Think about it: The scenery is beautiful; there’s no one else around; and you’re lying next to each other in the darkness, looking up at the sky. Mix in cuddling under a blanket and sipping on a warm drink, and this might be your favorite date night yet!

Since it’s best to start stargazing about an hour after sunset, you can have an early dinner and then head to your own festival of lights. For some added romance, bring along a picnic basket filled with some sweet treats. As the sun goes down, the stars will become more visible, and you’ll want to have binoculars to get a closer look. You may want to invest in a constellation map so the two of you can tell the difference between Aquarius and Lyra. You could even make a



game out of figuring out the different patterns.

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It's also important to remember what culture you're celebrating on this take of "The Festival of Lights." To learn more about Chanukah, check out websites and read a brief history. In the midst of enjoying the starry night together, take our love advice and exchange gifts under the open sky. Look out for shooting stars, and don't forget to make a wish for the holidays!

**Have you stargazed together as a date? Share your stories below!**

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## **Weekend Date Idea: Give the Gift of Babysitting**





By [Rebecca White](#)

Don't fret about what to get your friends this holiday season! This weekend, offer to babysit and give them a kid-free date night. Holiday seasons can be tough on families because there are so many preparations to be made. The gift of alone time is just what your friends need. Plus, you'll get to see what your partner will be like as a parent! This date idea is sure improve your [relationship and love](#) life as you play house for a few hours.

## **Give the Gift of Babysitting to Improve Your Relationship and Love**

For this weekend date idea, call up one of your married friends and tell them to take some time off and plan a night out with their spouse. Next, it's time for you to decide how to entertain their kids! Depending on the ages, you can play games, watch a movie, or plan a bigger activity like making crafts, writing a story, acting out a musical, or putting on a fashion show. For more ideas, check out [PBSKids.org](https://www.pbskids.org) for advice

and ideas on how to babysit for any age.

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This date idea will give you some insight into what your significant other will be like as a mom or dad. Is he the disciplinarian? Is she nurturing and maternal? These are things you'll want to know to determine if you're truly a match made in heaven. Make sure you know who is in charge of enforcing punishments, who is in charge of making dinner, and who is in charge of cleaning up the house so your friends don't come home to a disaster. By delegating responsibilities, you'll find out if you make a good team and if you can handle the surprises that kids have in store for you.

Babysitting will also help you learn if your partner is even comfortable around kids. They should be able to channel their inner dork and play silly games, but that may be a challenge for them. Maybe they're easily grossed out or get frustrated at the smallest thing. If so, that may be a bad sign. After all, kids are messy and require a lot of patience. This gift to your friends is a gift to yourself too. Who knows what you'll discover about your sweetheart!

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If you're nervous about babysitting with your honey, then set aside some time to chat about it. This could even be another date night before your babysitting adventure! Communication is key to succeeding as babysitters and parents (someday). After babysitting together, your relationship and love life will be thriving. Don't miss this opportunity to grow even closer together!

**Have you babysat with your beau before? Share your stories below!**

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# Dating Advice: Film a Documentary During Black Friday



By Emma L. Wells

Black Friday shopping isn't for everyone. However, while stores can be hectic and crazy, if you've got a lot of holiday gifts to buy, it is nice to get it all done at once, especially while so many items are discounted. This year, brave the crowds with your beau! It may not be a romantic [date idea](#), but it can certainly be a fun one.

# Have Fun While Being Productive on This Weekend Date Idea

It's important to stick together on this holiday weekend date idea. Combine your shoppings lists and hit the stores at midnight. Instead of just running errands, make this date idea more entertaining by bringing along a camera. You can shoot all the action around you as you go from store to store. Make sure you record the craziest things you see on your Black Friday adventure.

**Related Link:** [Date Idea: Take a Holiday from the Holidays](#)

Take turns manning the camera as you search for gifts for everyone on your list. Try to stay out of other people's way as you frame your shot – you don't want to bother the other shoppers! Maybe you'll even find some good deals on new camera equipment that you can use for your next documentary!

Later, you can edit the film as a team and show your friends this mini-documentary. Have a "premiere party" for your video after you open holiday presents; that way, your loved ones can see how much fun you had – and how much trouble you went through! – picking out their gifts. The morning and evening news almost always showcases footage from Black Friday too. Send your local station some of the most outrageous things you saw. You never know: Maybe you two lovebirds will wind up as local celebrities!

**Related Link:** [Date Idea: Escape Black Friday](#)

# Discover a New Passion with This Dating Advice

This experience will make for a great story to tell in the future. Consider this dating advice and think of the date idea as an opportunity to record a special moment in your

relationship and love. Perhaps you'll even discover a new mutual hobby! You budding filmmakers may want to enroll in a documentary making class after the holidays are over.

**Cupid wants to know: Will you go Black Friday shopping with your honey this year?**