

Dating Advice: 5 Uncommon Romantic Gestures He'll Love



By [Josh Ringler](#)

Relationships can be compared to snowflakes. At the basis of every snowflake is snow, and the basis of a relationship is love. But, just like snowflakes, no two relationships are alike. What separates one relationship from another is the uncommon acts that make each relationship special. [Celebrity couples](#) love to do unusual things that look so loving! So, why don't you follow in your favorite couples' footsteps and use our list of [dating advice](#) to make him fall for you even more!

These pieces of dating advice dive into the over-analyzed aspects of your relationship to prevent relationship problems!

1. Tickets: One of the best ways to make a guy happy is to get him tickets to an event. Whether it is a concert, sporting game, or a theatrical production, tickets are an expensively uncommon way to warm your man's heart. At least one of these types of events will make your man happy, and a different date together will definitely heat things up! A great piece of [relationship advice](#) is to keep your relationship happy. The happier, the better!

2. Picnic: Here at Cupid we have a lot of date ideas, and one of the most uncommon date ideas that every person will love is a picnic! Food and the outdoors are always a great combination, and having his crush next to him will only make him happier. Find a romantic spot that isn't too populated, grab a blanket, and pick out one of his favorite places to eat. Chipotle, Five Guys, whatever is fun to eat and won't be too messy to clean after!

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3. Loving mementos: A loving, yet rarely seen, gesture of love are little things that come from the heart. Whether it is a picture, drawing, or a nice customized product, in today's world they are very uncommon. While an Instagram photo together, or a Facebook post about your love for him is nice, having something he can look at, hold, or show off to his friends is way better. It shows you care and really took time out of your day to make something for him and it will really be appreciated!

4. Change up the typical: Take common things and make them uncommon. If you love to go hiking, find a new spot to go to. If you enjoy walking together, find a more romantic or beautiful place to walk. Finding ways to change up your daily routine is a great way to show you are thinking of ideas to keep the relationship fresh. That's a crucial piece of dating advice; if things get stale, it can get bad quick! Changing up your plans for a different setting, meal, or something like that is a great way to make him fall harder for you!

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5. Shopping for him: Most men like to buy things and compliments. While you may not enjoy sitting with him while he is in the Nike store, or looking for a new sports shirt, he will appreciate it. Maybe go into a clothing store and have him try on things you think will look good on him and be sure to compliment him, while being honest with him. He will appreciate the compliments and honesty, and he will love the fact that you are spending time with him, helping him shop. It can be fun for the two of you, and if you go to a mall or shopping center, there will probably be a nice place to eat after!

Have you done anything uncommon for your man that missed the list? Let us know in the comments below!

Weekend Date Idea: Dance the Night Away



By Ryan Boyle. Updated by [Stephanie Sacco](#)

One way to spice up your love life is by going dancing with your partner. The lights are dim, the music is loud, and you and your man are out for a night on the town. It's time to show off your moves, so put on your dancing shoes.

Here are some date ideas that will have you dancing.

Live music is a great entertaining [date idea](#) that will have you on your feet. Lots of bars and restaurants offer live music on the weekends or karaoke and open mic nights during the week. Grab your partner and start jumping, because you won't want to miss out on all the fun. Order a drink, and get ready to whip your hair back and forth.

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Once the music starts, the dancing can begin. If you can't dance, it's okay. Start by improvising and moving with the music. Act silly as long as your partner is up for the fun. If he's awkward and stand-offish, get him to loosen up. Grab his hand and pull him onto the dance floor. Show him that it's okay to look ridiculous.

If he's not the dancing type, just sway with your partner or jump up and down. Head bang to the hits of today, or make up your own moves.

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Go to a class together and express yourselves. Be passionate, or attend a concert that you both love. As long as you and your partner are close, that's all that matters. Take this weekend as an opportunity to get even closer.

You might even find "your song" while you're out with your partner. Whenever you hear it you'll be reminded of the fun times you both had together.

Do you have any fun dance-related date ideas? Comment below!

Weekend Date Idea: Gift Him with a Guys Night Out





By Ché Blackwood. Updated by [Josh Ringler](#)

Whether he's grabbing a beer, playing video games or watching his favorite team, you know how your boyfriend wants to spend his spare time. Instead of dragging him to a restaurant that he doesn't care for, or making him go shopping at the mall, gift him with a night that will take your love to new heights with a different kind of weekend date idea.

Make your man feel extra special with this weekend date idea!

Head on over to ESPN and find out when his favorite sports team is playing next. Then, surprise him with a midweek trip to his favorite bar to watch the game together, one of the many [date ideas](#) that giving him a guys night out has to offer!

Do your part by researching the team and the players. Add in a few statistics and you will be sure to impress him. If your partner enjoys a sport that's featured on a premium channel, like boxing, order it and invite his friends over to watch it

too. You could even contact a restaurant in your area to find which spot will be broadcasting the main event.

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If you really want to shock him purchase two unexpected tickets so he can watch his favorite team live. Don't tell him where you're headed and watch his eyes light up as you reach the stadium. A few hotdogs and a clear view to the field will make his day and spark the romance. A great piece of dating advice is to keep your man happy, and he will be sure to make you happy too!

Trips to the batting cages, put-put golf and trivia night are other great television-free options for your guy's night out.

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If your man isn't the sports type, take him on an impromptu trip to his favorite restaurant where he can order that dish he's been craving. After dinner, catch a movie he's been dying to see. Let him know that you're as laid back and fun to be around as his guy friends. This weekend date idea will clearly prove that to him! After all, karma dictates that you'll be rewarded for showing your man a great time.

Have a great idea for a perfect guy's night out together? Let us know what it is in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Preparing in

Advance for Game Day



By Deanna Atkins. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

This upcoming weekend holds an event that is probably very close to your lover's heart: the Super Bowl. It's easy to get caught up in the game day festivities, but taking care of preparations with your guy in advance can help you relax and enjoy the game together. The Super Bowl offers many [date ideas](#), from an expensive trip to see it live to a party with friends to (hopefully) root on your favorite team! Use these pieces of [dating advice](#) to add a little love to your partner's Super Bowl Sunday!

Get super with these date ideas for

the Big Game!

Whether you have the privilege of seeing the Super Bowl live in Houston or you're planning to host a viewing party, you need to make sure everything is in order for your sweetheart – even if you're more excited for the half-time performance. The weekend leading up to the game can be full of fun date ideas and you'll want to do them together!

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If you're both rooting for the same team, hit up a sporting goods store for matching game day jerseys and foam fingers. While you're out, make a stop your local party place for any decoration needs: football-themed plates and napkins, colored streamers and noise makers. If you really want to impress your guests, get a football-shaped cake pan to make a special dessert decorated with colored icing and football player figurines. Your shopping won't be complete without going to Costco or BJ's for the most important items: food and beer. Let your babe take the reins on this one – what guy isn't going to get excited over wings, burgers and brew?

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As your guests arrive, your man can be in charge of the grill, cooking up an all-American feast of foot-long hot dogs and double-stacked hamburgers. If you live in a colder climate, get a 6-foot hero from your local deli that will feed about 25 to 30 people. The great news is that you can mix and match and make the hero any size. This will make sure everyone can enjoy it! Don't forget to add buffalo chicken wings to the order too. Then, for dessert, bring out your sweet treat, and if the frosting happens to turn into face paint, then the fun can really begin.

With the essentials out of the way, you and your beau are ready to entertain without the stress of running around at the very last minute. If you do need a few extra things on game day, ask your friends to pick it up on their way over. Now that you're prepared for Super Bowl madness, your weekend is sure to be a touchdown! For an extra fun game, see who can spot the most [celebrity couples](#) at the game!

What's your favorite way to enjoy Super Bowl Sunday? Share your experiences below.

Date Ideas: Say 'Ahhh' at the Spa





Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Are you sick of the typical movie and dinner dates on weekends? Cupid's got you covered! Nothing says romance like being pampered in a candlelit room while getting a couples massage with your date. These [date ideas](#) will freshen your body and mind, while also putting your relationship on cloud 9!

Spas are full of romantic and relaxing date ideas!

Spending time away from reality with your partner can make your relationship stronger. Take your significant other to a luscious spa. Getting a massage side-by-side is the best way to relax and enjoy some quality time. While there, visit the sauna together, relax by the pool or warm up in a Jacuzzi. Keeping the relationship fresh is always a great [dating advice](#) tip!

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Do you want to take your partner to a spa without breaking your bank? Consider having a spa date at home. Transform your bathroom into a candlelit room full of romance. Get slippers, robes, body scrubs, facial products, music and essential spa items. Turn off all your technology and make the night just about the two of you. By the end of you, you certainly won't complain! Plan a healthy meal to serve afterwards to feel even more refreshed!

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These date ideas are great ways to beautify and detoxify your relationship. Don't be afraid to try something new. [Celebrity couples](#) love to go to the spa together, and it could be your couple's new thing!

Have you experienced a spa with your loved one? How did it go? Tell us in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Hot or Cold Nights





By Gabriela Robles. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Cold winter dates can get hot, too! This weekend, base your date night on hot and cold elements. You'll be sure to warm up even the coldest night this winter with these [date ideas](#)! Whether you're stuck inside because of snow, or looking for an excuse for some time with your love, use these pieces of [dating advice](#) to heat up your winter!

The cold of winter can create some 'hot' date ideas!

First, you have to set the mood – it will immediately relax the both you and your partner and make you feel like you're in a dream. Decorate the room with candles and twinkling lights, and play some soft music to get ready for your intimate evening. Find a good playlist full of your favorite musicians and put your phones down for the evening; focusing on each other will make the night that much better!

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Now, let's consider some hot and cold recipes that you can cook together. Make a warm, hearty dish like chicken pot pie or your mom's white chicken chili. For dessert, make some chocolate fondue and use pretzel rods, rice crispy treats and frozen bananas slices for dipping. End the evening by sipping on some hot chocolate. If you are itching to get out of the house, make an appointment for a warm couple's massage. The two of you will be in the same room keeping toasty and enjoying a warm-lotioned massage – these can be sexy date ideas and a nice relaxing experience with your partner!

If hot dishes aren't your thing, stick with cold meals. Make some spicy gazpacho for a light meal. For dessert, sip on some frozen hot chocolate instead of the kind that can burn your tongue. You can even whip up some thick homemade cream to top it off. Pour the drink into a couple of matching mugs – and voila! You have a nice sweet treat to share. If you're in the mood to go out, how about ice skating? Head to your nearest rink and lace up those rental skates. Most spots will even have some hot chocolate available for when you're ready to warm up again.

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You could mix both elements in one night, too. This time, jump right to dessert: setup a sundae bar and get busy! Stick with the hot and cold elements: use hot fudge and warm pecans or sprinkles and frozen chocolate chips – whatever you desire. Grab a cozy blanket to share and settle in by the crackling fire with your sweetheart watching your favorite [celebrity couples](#) on Netflix. For a fun activity out of your home, check out your nearest indoor pool and sauna. This way, the two of you will be able to play cool while still keeping the date hot!

Have any fun date ideas that are hot or cold? Let us know in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Holiday Couple Fun



By [Rebecca White](#). Updated by [Josh Ringler](#)

Christmas is only a week away, and the anticipation of Santa's arrival can be calmed by sharing all of your favorite holiday traditions with your partner. Take the time to indulge in some of your childhood memories, finish decorating, and spend a date night deepening the connection in your love life with these [date ideas](#). Enjoy the happy times of the holiday season together!

These holiday date ideas will grow your love life during the happiest season of all!

To get started with, you'll need to pull out all of your Christmas boxes, dim the lights, turn on your favorite holiday playlist, and bundle up for a festive night spent indoors. Make a special dinner for you and your significant other and include foods from your culture or things that you ate growing up. There are plenty of date ideas you can create why you are in your house during the holidays! Ask for a recipe from your mom to remind you of meals spent at home with your family. For dessert, or just for fun, consider making a gingerbread house together. The pre-made sets make it easy and provide you with everything you'll need.

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After an early dinner, sit down together and read your favorite holiday book, such as *The Polar Express*, *Santa Mouse*, or *How The Grinch Stole Christmas*. If you'd rather watch a movie, turn on *A Charlie Brown Christmas* or *A Christmas Story* to get in the holiday spirit. Chances are you'll find a classic film on television if you don't own any DVDs! Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, and others have been of holiday favorites and classics for you to watch, too! You could also write your letters to Santa or even volunteer to answer letters to Santa from less fortunate kids.

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If you're in the decorating mood, then pull out your ornaments and trim your tree as a couple. Doing things together makes everything more fun, so follow this [dating advice](#)! This activity is sure to provide some fun memories for your

relationship. You could also decorate your stockings together and place them over the fireplace! Keep some cookies and hot cocoa on hand to keep your energy levels up. Blast holidays to jingle around the clock!

Follow our dating tips and try starting some new traditions for the two of you. Use your favorite [celebrity couples](#) as examples! If it worked for them, it could definitely work for you and your partner! For example, you could purchase a couples ornament or make a holiday village display around the tree. Add a new house or shop to your “town” each year. Happy holidays!

What are your favorite holiday traditions? Share your stories below!

Date Ideas: Heat Up Winter With These Loving Ideas!





By Shannon Seibert. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Who says the great outdoors are forbidden territory in the winter? Brave the cold weather with your man with some fun [weekend dates ideas](#): Take a walk in winter wonderland, hit up an ice bar, or release your inner child and play in the snow. Just keep your layers on and your loved one close as you enjoy the winter chill with these date ideas!

Enjoy these fun outdoor date ideas this winter.

The blustery breeze may keep some inside, but a little wind and snow shouldn't prevent you and your sweetheart from having a spectacular weekend. To follow this dating advice, put on your favorite winter gear, and embark on an adventure with your man as you bring out your wild side. Have a snow man building contest and see who can create the most unique character!

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It's also the time of year where you can bust out all of your favorite winter toys. That sled that's sitting in the back of your garage or use your hands to make some snow balls with these date ideas! Have your Superman help you carry it up a small hill and jump on together as you plunge into the flurries. Having a sled race with your honey will definitely bring out the competitive spirit in you.

If there isn't much snow around you, think outside of the box. Visit a local ice skating rink and try to see who can balance on skates the longest. Some cities like Chicago and New York City, even have outdoor rinks where many people can enjoy the holiday decorations and skate around the square.

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There are also different ice shows that you can attend with ice sculptures that will blow your mind. In Orlando, Florida, there is a traditional ice show called *Ice* at the Gaylord Palms Hotel every year. Each guest gets to wear a blue parka and browse the ice creations modeled after real people, fictional characters, and historical events. There is even an area where you and your love can climb and play all over the ice. Think of how fun and romantic that will be!

At the end of your Winter Wonderland weekend date idea, cast away your many layers, follow our dating tips and snuggle by the fire. Take a selfie, documenting your red noses, and laugh as you rehash your fun day. Roast some chestnuts or s'mores by the flames as you talk about preparations for the upcoming holiday together.

How do you and your honey spend your winter days? Share your best date ideas with us in the comments below!

Date Idea: Enjoy the Snow from Indoors



By Sarah Ribeiro. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Embrace the winter weather this weekend with your honey while in the comfort and warmth of your home. Immerse yourselves in wintry-themed activities to get in the mood to cuddle, and keep out of the cold with these [date ideas](#)! While snow is fun, it is cold outside. So warm up the house and stay indoors!

Winter is full of fun date ideas!

Start off the night with a candlelit meal including all of your favorite winter foods: a roast chicken, snow peas, warm soup and hot cider or egg nog (spiked or not). You can even

find the recipes of your favorite [celebrity couples](#) or chefs and get inspired by their dishes to create a new favorite cuisine!

You can even try your hand at making homemade hot cocoa with a romantic twist: use a fondue pot to melt your favorite chocolate bar and then pour the cocoa into a mug of steamed milk or cream that the two of you can share. For an extra burst of flavor, add a peppermint stick or some cinnamon. Then, as you enjoy your drink, watch the falling snow outside and share your favorite childhood stories of snowball fights and ice skating. A great piece of [dating advice](#) is to share these fun stories with each other as it builds a more personal connection!

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After dinner, make some old fashioned popcorn and snuggle under a blanket on the couch for some great winter movies. Some favorites are 'Love Actually,' 'Serendipity,' 'Moulin Rouge,' and the classic 'Love Story.' If neither of you is a fan of "chick flicks," check out some winter comedies, like 'Blades of Glory,' 'Better Off Dead,' or 'Hot Tub Time Machine.'

If you're feeling crafty, embrace your inner child and create some homemade decorations or gifts. Make paper snowflakes and cotton snowmen or paint your own snowscapes while listening to quiet music like Yanni or Enya. If you're especially creative, knit together. Find a template for a scarf or gloves and knit each other a gift, grabbing yarn in your partner's favorite color or material to make it extra special for him. For an even more personalized touch, use his college colors or knit his name into the pattern. Check out some great patterns for beginners and experts alike at [FaveCrafts.com](#).

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For more of an active night, break out the board games. Think

of your favorite “snow day” activities – card games, charades, Monopoly – and get competitive. If you want something more cooperative to do with your sweetheart, try putting together a puzzle or finishing that impossible crossword from Sunday’s paper. You could even turn on the Wii and play a skiing or snowboarding game.

To finish the night, get intimate and light a fire. Toast some marshmallows, drink your leftover New Year’s champagne and plan your next few winter date ideas together, like skiing!

Do you have any great winter date ideas? Tell us in the comments below!

Date Idea: Take a Holiday from the Holidays





By Shannon Seibert. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

The holiday season may be exciting, but sometimes, it can be a bit much. This weekend, take a break from all of the holiday madness and settle down for some alone time with your partner with this [date idea](#). Reflect on how thankful you are to have your relationship and love in your life instead of focusing on the Christmas chaos.

Recharge during the holidays with this date idea:

The never-ending shopping lists, incessant carolers, and stress of coordinating plans can take a toll on you. If you're feeling the pressure, follow this [dating advice](#): Relax and step away from the holly! Grab your man by the hand, hop in the car, and make a break for neutral territory. Going to a local park is a cool and casual weekend date idea. Pack up a thermos of hot coffee or tea and have your honey push you on the swing as you chat about anything but the season.

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Another good place for a holiday hiatus is the movie theater. A dark room with two full hours of no distractions is the perfect place for a little isolation. There most certainly will be a fun movie that both you and your partner can enjoy! Whether it is an action movie, comedy, or romantic drama, it will keep your phone in your pocket and those nagging Christmas calls away from your partner! Buy the biggest tub of popcorn they have and snuggle close to your love as the lights dim.

Why not just lock yourselves inside for the day? Put on a non-holiday movie, such as *Harry Potter and the Halfblood Prince* or *The Notebook*, to distract you and your man from all of the films on the *Hallmark* channel. If you aren't in the mood for just sitting around, put on some music that the two of you can enjoy and relax. Sway with your love around the house. You'll feel like a princess in his arms. You could even be the 'dancing queen' if you want!

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At the day's conclusion, be sure to remember what this season is all about and give thanks for your partner and all they have been through with you. By focusing on your relationship instead of the holiday season, you will avoid relationship problems, feel rejuvenated and gather enough energy to tackle the rest of the 'happiest season of all' together.

How would you take a break from the holiday festivities? Tell us in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Have a Snow Day With Your Man



By Samantha Mucha. Updated by [Josh Ringler](#)

Don't let a snow storm keep your dating life on lock down during the frigid winter months. Bundle up this December and take on a blizzard with one of our winter date ideas! Grab your winter jacket, warmest gloves and scarf. Don't huddle together indoors – you lovebirds have a snow man to build!

Have fun in the snow with our winter date ideas!

Remember the days when you would get irrationally psyched

about a snow storm? As a child, we saw it as an adventurous challenge. If you and your partner are up for it, it can be just like the old times all over again. Get a good stretch beforehand though because you probably aren't as nimble as you used to be. These winter [date ideas](#) require some physical energy so be ready!

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If you have a driveway, have a shoveling race with your partner. Don't be kind, go hard and see who actually wins. The loser makes the hot cocoa, and gives the winner a luxurious back massage (but that's for later on.) Having little competitions can be so fun and increase your motivation to win!

When the hard stuff is all taken care of, tackle your sweetheart into a pile of snow and make snow angels. Maybe you can even head into the woods, a park, or the neighborhood and take a stroll through a freshly powdered winter wonderland.

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Last, but not least, build a snowman. As a child, it always seemed to be a challenge to make the perfect snowman. As an adult it can be your personal contest to create the perfect snow buddy, carrot nose and all! A good piece of [dating advice](#) is to keep things fresh and exciting, and a snowman contest could be the perfect way to do that!

Once your gloves are soaked and your nose is runny from the cold, call it quits and retire back inside. Take off all those wet snowy clothes, heat up the cocoa and hit the couch for a movie to watch your favorite [celebrity couples](#) in your most beloved rom-com. After a long day in the harsh winter weather what could be better than getting cozy with your lover?

What did you and your partner do in the snow for fun? Tell us below.

Date Idea: Shop Until You Drop



Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Need some holiday plans for after you've carved the turkey this weekend? After you've put the stuffing and cranberry sauce in the refrigerator for leftovers, what's a couple to do? Take advantage of those holiday sales of course. Wallets be aware: this [date idea](#) may cost you some cash! Wouldn't it

be nice to have the latest style from your favorite [celebrity couple](#)? Holiday sales, like Black Friday, are a great way to get that style without burning through all your hard-earned cash!

Be shopaholics together with this date idea!

While waiting in line in the November weather can seem daunting, you can turn this camp out into a romantic rendezvous. Pack some leftovers, bundle up, and don't forget your canister of Pumpkin Spice Hot Cocoa! Here's a dating tip for while you're waiting on line: keeping each other warm while waiting for discount appliances is one way to keep your heart rates up in the cold!

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What happens once you make it into the stores? It can get a little hectic in there, but fear not. Staying close together is an important piece of shopping [dating advice](#)! You wouldn't want to lose each other! Venture into Target, Walmart, or your favorite clothing store together. Help your significant other pick out gifts for family members, like \$3 appliances, deeply-discounted designer clothes – you can't go wrong. Zales is probably also having a sale, and what better way to ensure you love the gift you're getting than by doing some early window shopping (in your flame's presence, of course)? Be sure to pick up Macy's Black Friday ad for coupons, which you can put toward some sexy lingerie for frosty weekends.

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After enduring the crowds and the checkout lines, put some of those goods to use! Pick up some discount DVDs from Walmart, and snuggle up with your sweetheart. There's nothing like putting your feet up after a hard day's shopping and enjoying

movies on Netflix, your favorite rom-com on DVD, or the new titles you just got in store!

Have a lead on a Black Friday sale? Comment below and share with our other readers.

Date Ideas: Become a Football Fanatic



Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

The summer is winding down, and you all know what that means: it's almost football season! This sport is a national pastime enjoyed by both sexes; why not take part in some of the action

yourself? Playing football, or even just watching a game, is a great way to get a group of your friends together and have some fun, or just invite over that special someone! Football offers a full stadium of date ideas, and we found some of them for you below!

This is one of the many date ideas the sports world has to offer!

NFL Preseason begins soon: check out the schedule to see when you can catch your favorite team on TV. Check your local paper for bars and pubs offering game night activities, like Buffalo Wild Wings does. Going out to eat can be a really fun way to spend some of your football date ideas! You can expect raffles, contests, and lots of noise cheering favorite teams to victory.

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Football and sports are a great way to bond closer to your partner. Over time in a relationship, an important piece of [dating advice](#) is to find ways to keep things fresh and new. Football (or any other sport) could be your avenue for new found happiness in a relationship. Plus, who doesn't love some competition! Take our dating tips to heart and have a fun little competition!

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If you prefer to get active, get a team together to play in a nearby park on weekend afternoons. Post a sign-up sheet around your area to get more people involved. You might even meet a future lover in the process. (Hint: Divvy up the teams so you can get close to that new cutie – or put him or her on the opposite team as an excuse to tackle!) [Celebrity couples](#)

are always going to football games, and some like [Tom Brady](#) even play! So going to a game could be another great date idea for you and your loved one.

Have a football tradition of your own? Comment below and share with our other readers. And if you want other themed date ideas, let Cupid know!

Date Ideas: “Fall” in Love



By Shannon Seibert. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Before the weather gets too cold, take time out to embrace summer's last bit of warmth. This weekend, take part in some fall [date ideas](#) like going for an early fall hike and

appreciating the nature changing around you. Or, you can just drive around with the windows down and breathe in that fresh autumn air. Check out this [dating advice](#) on how to make the most of your fall weekends!

Enjoy awesome date ideas for the fall!

Hiking is an amazing way for you and your man to connect with the beautiful outdoors *and* strengthen your relationship. Talk about your favorite events coming up this fall, and make plans for pumpkin carving, football games, and bonfires. The conversation will distract you from the distance, and in no time, you'll cover a decent amount of ground and get a great workout in for your legs. Staying healthy is one of the great dating tips autumn has to offer.

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Collect different kinds of leaves as you make your way down the trail, and take cool pictures with the different sites you see. If you find a leaf unique enough, save it! Press it in a book, and when the leaf dries out, you can place it on a matted frame and have it as a keepsake of your trip.

For this weekend date idea, you can even build a pile of fallen leaves and jump in! The more, the better. Think of the scene from *A Thanksgiving for Charlie Brown* when everyone built gargantuan leaf piles and played in them for hours. You and your man can really dive into the feeling of fall and spend the afternoon making angels in the leaves.

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If exercise isn't your thing or you don't have any mountains to scale, then take a long drive with the windows down to soothe the soul. Have your beau turn on some of his favorite

tunes and just enjoy each other's company. Some "Old Time Rock N' Roll" or a little bit of Jason Mraz will relax the both of you and ease the stress of the workweek.

If you are fickle about wasting gas, you can just drive to an open field and have a picnic. As a tribute to the end of summer and the beginning of fall, bring all of your favorite foods. Hidden Valley has an amazing recipe for potato salad, which is a great picnic food. It pairs well with turkey sandwiches and fresh fruit.

Lay out with your love and watch the clouds roll by. Bring up your favorite fall memories as a kid or plan a trip together. It could be a weekend getaway to a nearby cabin or a visit to a national park. The Red Woods in Yosemite National Park in California are beautiful this time of year. Ask him about what his ideal vacation would be and bounce ideas off of each other. Maybe even use your favorite [celebrity couples](#) as an idea-starter!

When the day is over, snuggle on the couch with a blanket, pop in your favorite rom-com, and think about a fun fall date idea for next weekend.

How are you and your honey getting into the spirit of fall? Tell us in the comments below!

Date Ideas: Make a Spooktacular Spectacle as a

Couple



By Emma L. Wells. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Make this Halloween extra special for you, your partner, and all of your neighbors by going all out with your decorations this year. For this [date idea](#), one of the many you'll find from Cupid, you and your partner can get busy hanging fake spider webs and spooky ghosts around the house in preparation for the trick-or-treaters.

Get ready for a great Halloween with this date idea.

Whether you're going full-out scary or want a playful Halloween look, you'll need to stock up on supplies. Grab your

honey and set off for the local superstore. You'll want to fill your cart up with creepy ghouls, fake gravestones, and maybe a skeleton or two. One of the many fun pieces of [dating advice](#) for this idea is to have a competition for who can make the scariest component in your yard! If you want to freak out your trick-or-treaters, think about getting things that glow in the dark or are motion-sensored. Or, you can go the opposite route and create a more lighthearted, kid-friendly setting by making your own jack-o-lantern pumpkin patch. Just like a relationship, make sure to compromise! That is always a great piece of dating advice. You can buy fake ones at the store that will last for years, or you can carve your own to add a personal touch to the scene.

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After your trip to the Halloween store, you and your partner can get into the spooky spirit. It'll be fun to work together on this weekend date idea! You'll see how well your creative sides mesh as you plan your decorations. Bonus: You'll find out just how handy he can be while hanging skeletons and setting up lights. He might be more skilled with a toolkit than you thought! Learning new things about your significant other can be very beneficial for your relationship, especially if it's a new one.

Don't forget the candy, too! After putting in so much effort to make your house perfect for Halloween, you'll want to make sure you're prepared for all the trick-or-treaters who will be ringing your doorbell. You can either buy an assortment of treats at the store, or you and your partner can have some fun in the kitchen making your own cookies, candied apples, and popcorn balls.

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This date idea doesn't end with the decorations. Once you've made over your house, it's time to take a look in the mirror.

You lovebirds will need great costumes to wear while passing out treats on Halloween. If you want more Halloween date ideas, costume shopping together always works! You might consider going as your favorite celebrity couple like [Kanye West](#) and [Kim Kardashian](#) or a well-known duo like ketchup and mustard. Whatever you choose, this weekend date idea is one the whole neighborhood will enjoy!

How are you and your sweetheart preparing for Halloween together? Can you think of any celebrity couples that go all out for Halloween? Tell us below!

Date Idea: Embrace Each Other with a Scary Movie Marathon





By Tanni Deb. Updated by [Josh Ringle](#)

Halloween is approaching, and it's time to get ready with a thrilling scary movie marathon, one of the many scary Halloween weekend [date ideas](#) for those who can handle it!

Boot up Netflix, head to your local movie theater, or rent movies that you've always been scared of or maybe that you love, and make a night of it with your significant other. Pop some popcorn and get ready for a few thrills and chills that'll have you jumping into the arms of the person you love – staying close is always one of those romantic and important dating tips!

Halloween offers the perfect time for some spooky weekend date ideas!

If neither of you are frightened by horror movies, then make it a competition to see how many you can watch in one night without falling asleep on the couch. A great piece of [dating advice](#) is to have little competitions when you can, to keep things interesting! This challenge is sure to keep your eyes wide open until the break of dawn.

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If you and your partner are huge horror movie fans, consider playing scary movie trivia and see just how much you really know about the genre. This is a great way to bond with your sweetheart and share your common interests – plus a little competition never hurt anyone. Start your marathon on a weekend because rest assured, you may have nightmares when it's over. This could lead to the two of you waking up holding one another in the middle of the night, which is as far from scary as you can get!

Did you watch a scary movie recently with your partner? Have any other weekend date ideas for Halloween? Let us know by commenting below!

Date Idea: Pumpkin Picking With Your Partner





By Steven Zangrillo. Updated by [Stephanie Sacco](#)

What better way to spend a fall weekend than by picking pumpkins with your partner (say that five times fast)? Pumpkin picking is a lighthearted way to enjoy a beautiful fall day. This seasonal activity is only available to you for a small amount of time, so take the opportunity this weekend to go with your partner.

Here's a [date idea](#) to get you into the spirit of Halloween!

The pumpkin picking itself will be a blast as this will give you the opportunity to make a decision as a pair. Discuss the size, shape, and particular orange glow that you so desire. Choose one large or a dozen tiny ones, but be aware of your partner's preference. Take lots of pictures to document this fun [date idea](#)! Head to the nearest pumpkin patch or local farm and get into the holiday spirit. Then, decorate your porch or get ready to carve these babies!

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Show off your artistic and childlike side by carving your pumpkins into characters. Make caricatures of yourselves or scary Jack-O-Lanterns. Get a step-by-step kit or wing it with your partner. Be careful not to get too messy, but a few pumpkin guts never hurt anybody. Once you're finished, enter them in a contest or give them out as gifts. It's a fun and easy way to enjoy the fall weekend.

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Make pumpkin related desserts if you are up for carving them. Pumpkin spice has been hugely popular in the past, and let's not forget the traditional pumpkin pie. Check out different pumpkin cocktail recipes, or try out a new dessert. Your partner will love getting creative with you this weekend.

Think you have some fun and crazy pumpkin carving ideas? Comment below!

A "Novel" Date Idea: Browsing for Books





Updated by [Stephanie Sacco](#)

If you're looking for a perfect way to settle down and relax this weekend, grab your partner and head to a bookstore for this [weekend date idea](#). It's a fun way to educate yourself about the new titles that are out there today. You'll enjoy choosing books together and holding in laughter behind the shelves.

Here are some book-related date ideas to consider.

Find books that you and your partner both enjoy reading. Or, for fun, select one from a completely new genre, and take turns reading it to one another. Start a book club of two if you decide on a book together, or read totally different ones. If he likes graphic novels and you're in the mood for a memoir, that's fine, too. As long as you are reading together! Head to the nearest library or bookstore, and let your inner book-nerd out.

If you're into e-reading, cuddle in bed with your honey and go through the new book releases on your Kindle, Nook or iPad. Once you've found something, take turns reading to each other until one of you falls asleep.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Make a Spooktacular Spectacle](#)

If you love a book that has a movie adaption, consider reading it and then going to see the movie with your partner. Debate about which was better – the novel or the film. Discuss the differences between the two over dinner afterwards or eat popcorn and whisper about it from your very own couch. It'll be good for the two of you to bond over your interests.

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If you and your partner enjoy similar authors, try to attend an author meet and greet or a book signing. Typically book stores or libraries have author talks and signings so take a look in your local newspaper. It's a perfect date idea that will link the two of you, since you'll hold onto the books forever.

What's your favorite part about browsing for books with your partner? Comment below!

Weekend Date Idea: Venture Out on Labor Day





By Toni Vadala. Updated by [Stephanie Sacco](#)

With summer coming to an end, there's nothing like a three-day weekend to experience one last romantic adventure. This Labor Day weekend, take a load off and wait for summer to end in style. Even if you're not in our nation's capital, Labor Day is typically a weekend of barbecues, festivals, and fun times with friends. [Celebrity couples](#) are no exception!

Here are some Labor Day inspired date ideas to get you in the mood.

Plan a BBQ, or attend one close-by. Organize a three-legged race or other fun summer activities to bring you closer to your partner. Run in the sprinklers, or throw around water balloons to cool off. There's nothing more fun in the summer than some outdoor [date ideas](#).

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Go to the beach or the town pool (if you don't have your own)

to spend Labor Day weekend. The water won't be available forever, so take the opportunity to dive in before it's too late. This weekend date idea will have you and your partner getting wet and wild. Go to a hotel and take advantage of their pool. Order drinks and embrace the summer sun one last time.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Enjoy the Warm Weather](#)

Find a fireworks show somewhere nearby. Walk or drive to a park, or stay on the beach. It'll feel magical to watch the sunset or fireworks pop over the ocean. Like mistletoe, it may be the perfect moment to kiss your partner. Soak up the last bit of summer sun this Labor Day weekend, and enjoy some one on one time with your partner.

Have a favorite Labor Day tradition of your own? Comment below!

Weekend Date Idea: Take Time to Relax





By Brittany Stubbs. Updated by [Stephanie Sacco](#)

Once the work week ends, all you want to do is relax. There's no time during the day to hang with your partner, and by nightfall you are so tired that you just want to sleep until Friday. You and your partner both work non-stop, so take this weekend off and plan something relaxing with these [date ideas](#).

It's time to unwind and take time for yourself this weekend.

The first step to your relaxation destination with your partner is escaping the digital world. Take our [relationship advice](#) to heart, and close your laptops, log out of your email and social media accounts, and most importantly turn off your cell phone. Your boss doesn't need to keep in constant contact with you over the weekend. You'll be amazed how relaxed you'll feel stepping away from technology and out into the world.

Come up with a plan ahead of time that you both agree on, and keep in mind that this date is about spending time together.

Consider making appointments at your local spa, and arrange a couples massage. Get your nails done or spend time by the pool. It's like taking a mini vacation. The mix of relaxed muscles, a calm environment, and each other's company will help you connect like you never have before.

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If a spa day isn't in your budget, you don't have to spend money to wind down. Put on your fluffy robe and favorite slippers and create a spa in your own living room. You and your partner can take turns giving each other back, hand, and foot massages. After you've gotten each other's knots out, open a bottle of wine and curl up on the couch.

Instead of grabbing for the television remote right away, make an attempt to learn something new about your partner. This doesn't mean sharing what happened at work last week. Go deeper! It'll strengthen your bond as a couple.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Slumber Party](#)

No matter how you've chosen to relax together, don't forget about your responsibilities: like eating! Pick a meal that requires little stress or effort or get take-out. You deserve it! Get into your pajamas with your partner and take a nap. Pop a frozen pizza in the oven or wait for the delivery guy to show up. Continue enjoying the comfort of your own home and the warmth of your partner.

Whether it's only for a few hours or an entire day, devoting some time to unwind with the one you love will do wonders for your relationship and your health.

How do you and your partner relax together? Comment below!

Weekend Date Idea: Karaoke Night



By Ryan Boyle. Updated by [Stephanie Sacco](#)

The lights are bright. Your partner and your friends are cheering you on, waiting for you to take the stage. The beat kicks in, and the lyrics start rolling by in a yellow tint. You step forth into the spotlight, beaming with courage, and start belting out your favorite song. But you're not performing at a concert hall or a sold out stadium – it's karaoke!

Check out this romantic and

fun date idea involving singing your favorite tunes.

Your vocals may not be as strong as Christina Aguilera's, but you don't have to sing like a diva and sell thousands of tickets to enjoy this [date idea](#). Make a date of it, and hit up a bar or restaurant that offers karaoke or an open mic night. Let your hair down for a few hours and sing with your girlfriends or drag your partner. Go on a double date, and see who can beat the other couple out.

Related Link: [Weekend Date Idea: Rack Up a Few Laughs At a Comedy Show](#)

Another option is serenading your partner. Pick out a cheesy love song and sit him in the front row before you belt out the classics. Keep the mood light with laughter, but also with a hint of romance. Order an appetizer to split while you watch other couples sing to each other. Even if it takes a little liquid courage to get you up there, just remember everyone is rooting for you. You can do it!

Related Link: [Weekend Date Idea: Pop the Cork!](#)

If the idea of getting up on stage freaks you out, pick up your very own karaoke machine at the store. You can host karaoke parties and dances at your house with your close friends. Make a night of it, and order take-out or serve drinks. You'll be in for a lot of laughs, and your partner can get to know your friends more intimately.

Whether you sing like Aretha Franklin or your voice sounds pitchy, karaoke is a great way to spend a night with your partner.

What's your favorite Karaoke song to sing? Comment below!

Date Idea: Binge Watch a New TV Show



By Emma L. Wells. Updated by [Mary DeMaio](#)

Who doesn't love a good day of binge watching TV, especially when there's someone to snuggle with? This weekend, you can stay in *and* try something new. Find a show that you and your partner haven't seen before (but that you both are interested in), and dive in. With so many series available on Netflix, Amazon Prime Instant Video, and Hulu or Hulu Plus, this shouldn't be a hard [date idea](#) to pull off. All of these options offer free trials, so you don't have to fret if you don't have a membership. A great piece of [dating advice](#) is to

load up your couch with blankets and pillows (maybe you want to take it a step further and build a fort), pop some popcorn, and prepare to relax.

Follow this relationship advice for a low-key date idea.

Think you've seen every series already? Even if you watch a lot of television, you probably haven't seen *everything*. Go back to the beginning of SNL on Netflix, or pick up something that aired before you were born. Perhaps you're more interested in a newly-released Netflix or Amazon Original Series, like *House of Cards* or *Transparent*. Following this [relationship advice](#) will not only amuse you, but it'll help you see if your entertainment preferences are compatible.

Don't forget about the snacks! You and your partner can put a buffet together by each bringing your favorite tasty treats to share on this weekend date idea. Some essentials include flavored popcorn, candies like peanut M&Ms, pretzels, or chips and dip. Make sure you have a few healthy options, too – maybe a fresh fruit salad or vegetable platter. If neither of you are prone to snacking, you can order take-out instead. Pizza and beer go great with a *Friends* marathon!

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If you need a break from staring at the small screen, head to the kitchen and see what you can cook with the ingredients you have. Make a meal together like breakfast for dinner: eggs, bacon, and toast; or go Italian with a pasta dish. These meals are all easy to whip up with items that are usually in your refrigerator or pantry. It's also a fun way to connect with your partner.

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To make this date idea even more exciting, play a game based on the show you chose. For instance, if you are watching something suspenseful like *CSI* or *Lost*, try to guess how each episode will end. Predict the outcome, or bet on who the killer is. You can even pick a prize: Winner gets the last chocolate chip cookie!

Ever had a binge watching session with your significant other? Comment below!

Date Idea: Volunteer and Build a Foundation Together



By Emma L. Wells. Updated by [Mary DeMaio](#)

Shake up your usual list of [date ideas](#) and try something new! A great way to bond with your beau is by volunteering for a good cause. This weekend, work on strengthening your relationship by building a home for someone in need. Lots of organizations, such as [Habitat for Humanity](#), need volunteers to help with their current community projects.

Build a house for someone in need with this date idea!

Giving back is a great way for you and your partner to do some real relationship-building. Working alongside your honey will enable you two to connect on a new level. Plus, completing a physical task together will bring you closer and clue you in to your ability to be a successful team in the future. Following this [relationship advice](#), you may even discover something new about your significant other. Perhaps he's handier than you thought with a toolbox. Next time your faucet is leaking, you'll know who to call!

Service projects aren't only about work. Building houses is a great outdoor activity for a sunny August afternoon (soak up that vitamin D!) and can also double as your daily workout. Swinging that hammer over and over again or lifting heavy pieces of wood will leave you sweaty and exhausted. You may even meet some other couples and expand your social circle.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Take a Charity Walk](#)

Most organizations allow you to sign up for just one day at time so you don't have to make a big commitment with this weekend date idea. Don't worry if you don't have any experience with construction, as there are jobs for all ability levels. They will also teach you new skills if you're interested in learning how to lay tile or want to improve your

painting abilities.

Related Link: [Date Idea: Get Off the Beaten Path](#)

After you're done, head out for drinks or a sweet treat. You can even invite some of the new friends you made today. Talk about what you learned from the day's activities and what you most enjoyed about pitching in. The next time you're looking for a weekend date idea that will help your relationship *and* your community, consider building a home for a good cause!

Tell us: Have you and your partner ever volunteered together as a date idea?

Date Idea: Couples Barbecue





By Maria Darbenzio. Updated by [Mary DeMaio](#)

Invite a few couples from around your neighborhood to get together for a backyard barbecue bash as a fun and romantic [date idea](#) this weekend. Sure, it's fun to have some alone time with your sweetheart, but mingling with other couples is a great way to make new friends, especially if you haven't met all of your neighbors yet.

Check out these fun barbecue date idea activities!

Hanging out together gives you a chance to see how other couples express their love. Not only can you learn a few pointers about your own relationship, but you'll get an idea of who to call when you want to go on a double dinner date.

For the barbecue, have each couple bring one of their favorite appetizers or entrees. Depending on how many guests you invite, you should be able to put up a decent-sized buffet. The diverse dishes will also be great talking points, as you

can find out the history behind each recipe. As the hosts, you and your partner can provide beer, wine, and cocktails as well as desserts. Preparation for the barbecue can be just as fun and exciting as the actual event!

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If you have a pool, tell your guests to bring their swimsuits. After all, pool parties aren't only for kids! It's a great way to keep things lighthearted and fun. Of course, if you're serving alcohol at your get-together, remind everyone to drink responsibly both in and out of the water.

No pool, no problem. Set up some of your favorite backyard games – anything from horseshoes to corn hole to volleyball.

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Once everyone has had their fair share of swimming or games, build a bonfire and hang out around it as the sun begins to set. Provide marshmallows, graham crackers, and chocolate bars to make s'mores for a sweet end to the evening. At the end of the day, you and your partner will have memories and friends that last.

What are your favorite barbecue activities? Let us know in the comments below!