



Inexpensive Valentine's Day Date Options

While you may not want to feel like a cheapskate on Valentine's Day, there are other things to consider – such as sticking to your budget and not adding to personal debt. It's important to make your spouse or partner feel special on this day, but sometimes personal spending limitations can put a damper on the best of intentions.

1. Dine In Before Going Out

When planning an evening that incorporates a meal and other activities, such as a concert or a movie, think about eating at home before going out. Not only will you save a substantial amount of money, but you get to control the atmosphere, allowing you and your date to relax and dine without having to worry about crowds, lost reservations, or overworked waiters.

2. BYOB

Wine and liquor can easily double your restaurant bill. Check out one of the many online BYOB dining guides to find restaurants in your

area that allow you to bring your own, and be certain to call the restaurant ahead of time to check their corkage fees. Then head to a wine shop and ask the owner or salesperson to help you select some great wine to compliment the cuisine at your chosen eatery.

3. Avoid Fixed Price Meals

Many restaurants promote special fixed price, multi-course meals to Valentine's Day couples. While it's understandable that a restaurant would want to reduce the workload of its kitchen staff by encouraging customers to order the same meal, it doesn't hold that these meals are a better value than ordering à la carte, particularly if you and your date aren't big eaters.

4. Consider Using Coupons

Using restaurant coupons on a first date or at the beginning of a relationship can be awkward, but couples in long- and medium-term relationships are usually comfortable enough with one another to acknowledge that they'd

like to save a little money. If you have coupons for restaurants, bars, or various attractions don't be afraid to use them. Just be sure that they are valid on Valentine's Day, as some businesses restrict coupon use on holidays.

5. Splurge on Cocktails or Dessert

If you choose to eat a light main course or dine at home, you can free up your budget so that you can enjoy some special craft cocktails, champagne, or scrumptious desserts as part of your evening. Many restaurants will be happy to seat you and your date at the bar so that you can enjoy a bit of luxury on Valentine's Day, particularly if you show up later in the evening (after 9pm or so). Bar seating is also a great way to get a seat at a popular restaurant that's otherwise completely booked



The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., delivered this speech on August 28, 1963, on the steps of the Washington, D.C., Lincoln Memorial during the march on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. For the full text, see the Martin Luther King, Jr. Papers project at Stanford University, www.stanford.edu/group/king.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal." I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave-owners will be able to sit down together at a table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a desert state, sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today.

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Mississippi Pot Roast

Prep: 5 min Cook Time: 8 Hours Total Time: 8 Hrs 5 min
Yield: 6-8 Servings

Ingredients

- (3-4 pounds) chuck roast
- 1 packet ranch dressing mix
- 1 packet onion soup mix
- ¼ cup butter
- 4-5 pepperoncini peppers



Instructions

1. Place roast in the slow cooker and sprinkle the top with the ranch dressing mix and the au jus mix. Place peppers on top of the mixes, and add the butter. If you like it spicy you can add some pepper juice as well .
2. Cook over low heat for 8 hours. Serve with noodles, rice or mashed potatoes. Enjoy!

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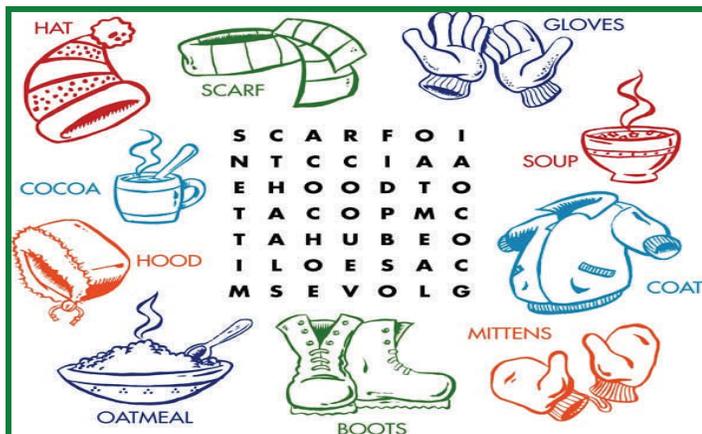
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16 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

FEBRUARY

2 – Ground Hog Day
14 – Valentine's Day
20 – President's Day

MARCH

2 – Day Light Savings Time
17 – St. Patrick's Day