

Date Night Ideas

1. I'm All A-boat You
 - Reserve a boat at White Rock Lake Paddle Co
 - Pack or grab a picnic meal and head to White Rock Lake to picnic on the boat or on the shore
2. Over the Hill
 - Hike through Arbor Hills Nature Preserve, Oak Cliff Nature Preserve, or the Great Trinity Forest
 - Afterwards, grab a refreshing drink and meal to end your time together
3. Chicken N Pickle
 - Make reservations to eat and play at Chicken N Pickle – maybe even grab another couple to play doubles in pickleball
 - Have a meal, enjoy an hour of pickleball, then play free lawn games
4. Boot Scoot'n Boogie
 - Make reservations at Southern Junction in Rockwall to cook your own dinner over an open flame
 - Country dance and two-step the night away
5. Vine and Dandy
 - Make reservations at Grape Vine Springs Winery to tour the winery and stroll through downtown Grapevine
 - Dine at one of Grapevine's classic restaurants (ex Winewood Grill, Dino's Steak and Claw House, Mac's on Main, Esparza's Restaurante)
6. A Midsummer's Night
 - Pack your dinner or grab dinner from your favorite spot and have a picnic by a lake, river, or creek
 - Take time to reflect on your relationship
 - Document where you go and make it a regular occurrence to go to that same location to reflect on your marriage
7. Thrifty 50
 - Go to a thrift store and spend \$10 each on 2-3 articles of clothing for each other
 - Leave yourself \$30 to do dinner and dessert in your new-to-you attire
8. Smooth Like Jazz
 - Eat at three different locations: one for appetizers, one for dinner, and one for dessert

- In between locations, find a place to slow dance together, whether it's a jazz bar or in the middle of the restaurant
9. Fort Night
- Make a fort in your living room with pillows, blankets, and flashlights
 - Cue up a good movie, pop some popcorn, and grab your favorite beverage to enjoy together in your fort
10. Irrelevant Holiday Day
- Look up what national holiday falls on your anniversary, your birthday, and your spouse's birthday (ex Corn Dog Day, Talk Like a Pirate Day)
 - Choose one of those holidays for the theme of this date and have fun doing some creative planning
11. Love Strikes
- Head to a bowling alley to play a few games
 - For at least one of the rounds, try to bowl in the silliest way you can imagine (ex like a flamingo, while facing the wrong direction)
12. Greener Pastures
- Stroll through the Dallas Arboretum
 - Grab some food to go from the Terrace Café or Café on the Green, then spread out a blanket for a picnic on the great lawn overlooking White Rock Lake
13. Date a Gamer
- Make a reservation to eat at Eataly in NorthPark Center Mall
 - After dinner, head over to Cidercade, Nickel Mania, or Freeplay Arcade to play games together
14. 'Tis The Season
- Watch a class Christmas movie like *White Christmas*, *Elf*, or *It's a Wonderful Life* at home with plenty of blankets and hot cocoa
 - Describe your favorite Christmas traditions and which ones you'd like to continue
15. Farm, Sweet Farm
- Visit Bonton Farms and enjoy a delicious breakfast at The Market Café
 - Sign up for a volunteer slot and help feed baby goats, milk mama goats, harvest plants, take care of chickens, or assemble food bags for neighbors in need
16. Night at the Museum
- Visit one of the iconic museums in Dallas, like the Sixth Floor Museum, George Bush Library, or the Perot Museum of Nature and Science
 - Head over to the West End of Downtown Dallas for dinner, then end the night gazing at Downtown Dallas from the Reunion Tower
17. Kiss and Tell
- Plan a date at your very first date spot or recreate your most memorable date
 - Do your best to dress like you dressed on that date, discuss what you talked about, and share what you were feeling that night
18. Bingo Was His Name-O

- Find the nearest bingo hall (ex Arapaho Bingo, Plano Bingo) and go win some prizes
 - Feel free to grab another couple or two to come along
 - While there, try to find another couple that may be local to your neighborhood and build a new friendship
19. Axe Me Out All Over Again
- Go throw axes together at Bad Axe Throwing, Dallas Axe Throwing, Whiskey Hatchet, or Lone Star Axe Throwing
 - Grab another couple to compete with – losing couple buys dessert
20. You're My Butter Half
- Find a Master Class or a cooking show and try to replicate a full meal: appetizers, dinner, and dessert
 - Divide the responsibilities and make dinner together, then take turns trying each other's creations
21. I Love You a Latte
- Plan to meet in the middle of the day to have coffee – pick a time you don't normally see your spouse
 - Enjoy each other's company for at least 30 minutes before moving on with your days
22. State of the Union
- Find a couple whose marriage you admire and ask them to join you for a double date
23. S'more of You
- Make s'mores together in the microwave, oven, or over an open flame
 - Get creative: use Reese's cups instead of chocolate bars, get flavored marshmallows, use waffle cones, etc
24. I Only Have Pies For You
- Have dinner together, then get some pie at Emporium Pies, or Norma's Café
 - After pie, take a walk around the area or a nearby park (ex Lakeside Park, Oak Lawn Park, Dragon Park)
25. Check Mate
- Grab a classic board or card game (ex Mancala, Scrabble, Gin Rummy, Chess, Operation), and may the odds be ever in your favor
 - Feel free to be competitive, but don't forget to cheer on your spouse
26. Hit it Off
- Go to a Texas Rangers or Frisco RoughRiders game and try to make it on every Jumbotron prompt (ex Kiss Cam, Dance Cam, Simba Cam)