



Valentine's Day Planner 2010 for Boston

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Here goes the annual paper-hearts-meet-lacey-lingerie ritual of romance that is Valentine's Day in Boston: Reserving a choice table ages in advance, summoning amorous-aphrodisiac menus, choreographing a memorable night. Our list of lovey-dovey events on or around Sunday, Feb. 14 should help make it happen right, whether it's your first date or your 34,925th. Good luck, tiger.

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Valentine's Day Ideas

1 Ginger Park



1375 Washington St, Boston, MA 02118 ([map](#))

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If you want to shy away from the Hallmark-holiday trappings of Feb. 14, tap into the historical origins of the date with Ginger Park's menu, inspired by the feast of Lupeus (a Roman tradition symbolizing the end of winter). Chef Patricia Yeo's four-course tasting menu (\$55 per person) includes East-meets-West, pagan-meets-modern dishes like sauteed foie gras with strawberries and rabbit with carrots and morels.

2 Copley Square Hotel



47 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02116 ([map](#))

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Ever more smooth than the yawwwn-arm-falls-around-shoulders move, this orchestrated segue from flirty night out to dirty morning in is totally shameless--yet irresistible. Here's how it works: Meet your sweetie for drinks at Copley Square Hotel's in-house lounge, Minibar. Schmooze accordingly. Whenever you feel like the target of multiple "get a room" glares (whatever, they're just jealous), suavely order the Overnighter package off the bar menu (starts at \$159). This package entails a toast of Moet et Chandon champagne at the bar, a night's stay at the hotel, an in-room "Get Lucky" intimacy kit and (ahem) a late 2pm checkout.

3 Naz Kupelian Salon



311 Woburn St, Lexington, MA 02420 ([map](#))



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You can argue all you want that "love is blind," but we like to think that love prefers to look smokin' hot, given the opportunity. Naz Kupelian puts beauty to the occasion with the Valentine's Day package (\$140), which includes a 30-minute rose facial, haircut with blowout and a mani-pedi. Whether treating yourself or a lucky lady, the offer is redeemable for one year from day of purchase.

4 Ristorante Damiano

307-309 Hanover St, Boston, MA 02113 ([map](#))

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If you can't sweep your sweetie off to a romantic weekend in Italy, at the very least you can swap St. Valentine for San Valentino at Ristorante Damiano in the North End (close enough to l'Italia, no?). A sensual six-course tasting menu (\$50 per person) is served Feb. 12, 13 and 14; it starts with strawberry-garnished prosecco and proceeds with dishes like rock shrimp risotto or carpaccio with titled courses like "an embrace" and "the look."

5 Bina Alimentari



571 Washington St, Boston, MA 02111 ([map](#))

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The couple that learns together, stays together, right? Bina's gourmet Italian market hosts classes all winter, including a delectable course on pairing rosé wines and chocolates on Feb. 13 at 2pm (\$15 per person, call to RSVP). Smell and taste your way through still and sparkling rosés and the various chocolates they pair with--giving you sweetened inspiration for Valentine's Day and beyond.