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Special Valentine?s Day Menus throughout Chicago

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This time next week nearly every water cooler conversation in Chicago is going to be about Valentine?s Day and how everyone is/isn?t celebrating.

Whether you?re planning that ever important first V-day together, or simply searching for a way to rekindle your romance, there are plenty of hot options out there to keep you and your Valentine warm.

Budget ($50 or less per couple)

- Swapping out the overhead lights for candles, Ada St. [1] is hosting ?Ada After Dark.? From 11:30 p.m. to 2 a.m., drink aphrodisiac-infused cocktails as you feast their eyes on

performances by a contortionist duo and the burlesque company, Les Soubrettes. $50 per couple.

- For a super casual Valentine?s Day, head to one of Go Roma's Chicago locations [2]. The relaxed Italian dinner is offering a complimentary warm chocolate pudding cake with the purchase of two entrees. $20-40 per couple.

Mid-Range ($51-150 per couple)

- If you?re going to share something off the grill, make it Weber Grill [3]?s three course menu featuring a healthy mix of savory meats and sweet desserts. $70 per couple.
- A Michelin starred meal doesn?t need to cost an arm and leg at Ada St. [1] Chef Zoe Schor's is celebrating the special menu that includes seared tuna, duck confit, saffron risotto and a seared hanger steak. $80 per couple.
- Enjoy three courses of romance from the Rockit Bar & Grill [4] team in River North with a lobster avocado ?cocktail? featuring lobster knuckle, claw meat and flour tortilla chips ($16), an eight ounce filet Oscar topped with lump crabmeat ($36) and gluten free chocolate cake with fresh raspberries, whipped cream ($9).
- Enjoy noodles and vintage movies, like *Casablanca* and *Gone with the Wind,* with Slurping Turtle?s [5] four- or seven-course ?I Think I Love You? menu. Four courses: $90 per couple. Seven courses: $150 per couple.
- Take the vino lover in your live to The Boarding House [6] for a four-course prix fixe menu and access to the restaurant?s cellar of more than 450 bottles wine. $130 per couple, with wine pairings for $38 per person.
- Snuggle up with your sweetheart in the cozy and intimate The Monarch [7] restaurant for a special 4-course tasting menu with beverage pairings and a glass of champagne to start. $150 per couple.

High-end ($151-300 per couple)

- Get in the mood for late night fun with Untitled?s [8]five-course menu. You?ll be greeted with a cocktail at the door, a bottle of wine on your table and every course includes aphrodisiac. $200 per couple.
- If you?re looking for an Oriental evening, Chef Takashi Yagihashi is offering an enormous Eight Course "Bleeding Heart" Tasting Menu at his four-time Michelin star winning restaurant Takashi [9]. $220 per couple, optional wine pairing for $60 per person.

- The ACME Hotel [10] in River North recommends a racy Valentine?s Day with a little burlesque, a little booze and a little behind the scenes fun. In addition to drinks at The Berkshire Room, the Racy Romance package includes a late-night burlesque show and sexy turndown gifts like a garter and massage lotion. Rates start at $245 for a Standard King. (Available on February 14 and February 15 only.)

Ultra high-end (More than $300 per couple)

- Reignite your passion with Thompson Chicago?s [11] tech-free retreat. Check your phone at the front desk, rediscover the Gold Coast with a special itinerary and finish the night at Nico Osteria's open kitchen counter - watching the team create every detail of your dinner. Rates start $299 per night.

- Get sweaty with your special someone at the InterContinental Chicago?s [12] weekend long fitness focused package. Including workout and nutrition classes with celebrity fitness expert Andrea Metcalf and healthy meals by Executive Chef Randy Reed, you?ll end the weekend in shape and relaxed. Rates start at $1,069 and include accommodations, meals, classes and tax and gratuity.

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