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Get Ready For Valentine's Day!

Celebrate With Classic Dinner, Movie Date

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It's nearly Valentine's Day, and romance is in the air. Why not celebrate by going out on a classic date -- dinner and a movie.

- **Celebrate:** [My Life, Valentine's Day Edition](#)

As far as movies go, the aptly named [Valentine's Day](#) starring Ashton Kutcher, Jennifer Garner, Jaime Foxx, Anne Hathaway and [Jessica Alba](#), among others, is recommended. Feel like staying in? Check out our extensive list of the [most romantic movies of all time](#). If you prefer a shorter list, check out [@The Movies'](#) Tim Lammers' list of [10 romantic film favorites](#).

If you're staying in to watch a romantic movie and have no idea what to cook, check out our [rookie guide to Valentine's Day dinner](#) and list of [liquid tantalizing treats](#). Don't forget the [chocolate-glazed strawberries!](#)

For those of who plan to go out, we've got you covered with our list of the most romantic restaurants in the Valley. Here are our top picks.

La Petite Maison

7216 E. Shoeman Lane, Scottsdale

The recently opened [La Petite Maison](#) lives up to its name, at least in size -- the restaurant only seats 33 people inside and 40 outside. The [staff meal](#), which is served from 10 p.m. to midnight Thursday through Saturday and costs \$8-12, comes highly recommended.

Zinc Bistro

15034 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale

Nestled within Kierland Commons is [Zinc Bistro](#), a restaurant our experts described as "prettier than half the bistros in Paris." The amazing outdoor courtyard, the zinc bar and the tile floor make the restaurant feel "exactly like France."

The Mission

3815 N. Brown Ave., Scottsdale

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[The Mission](#) features modern Latin cuisine with excellent guacamole and a tequila bar with unique cocktails. Plus, when it comes to creating a romantic atmosphere, it's hard to go wrong with that many chandeliers and candles.

NOCA

3118 E. Camelback Road Our experts say "insanely talented chef Chris Curtiss" creates "sophisticated comfort food" and "ethereal pastas" at [NOCA](#). The restaurant's low lighting gives it a "cool vibe" -- and the cotton candy served at the end of the meal certainly makes it unique.

Coup des Tartes

4626 N. 16th St.

This tiny restaurant near the Camelback corridor features a rotating menu of main dish and dessert tarts, many of which use organic meats and locally grown fruits and vegetables as ingredients. One of the best perks? [Coup des Tartes](#) allows diners to bring their own beer, wine or champagne.

House of Tricks

114 E. 7th St., Tempe

According to our experts, [House of Tricks](#) has the "prettiest outdoor tables underneath trees" and twinkling lights. Those preferring to dine indoors eat in one of the two houses that serve as the restaurant's home -- one built in 1903 and the other built in the 1920s.

St. Francis

111 E. Camelback Road, Phoenix

This brand-new restaurant is the "perfect neighborhood restaurant," our experts said. Within its brick walls, [St. Francis](#) serves green chili pork and "the best butterscotch sauce in the universe."

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