

TUMMY LOVE

THE WAY TO A MAN'S HEART IS THROUGH HIS BELLY

DEFINING ROMANCE IS PERSONAL, SO OUR ROMANTIC RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS FORM an eclectic dozen. We've got you covered whether you crave ethnic cuisine or fresh seafood, whether you want to spend a little or a lot. Getting a date, however, is strictly up to you.

Apres Diem

931 Monroe Drive, Suite C-103
404-872-3333

Affordable romance is not an oxymoron. This bistro gives off a Parisian vibe — except for its reasonable prices. The menu boasts international cuisine, diverse wines and scrumptious desserts sure to satisfy even if your date disappoints.

Atlanta Fish Market

256 Pharr Rd. NE, 404-262-3165

Get fresh — seafood, that is. Twice daily deliveries mean no fish here has been out of water longer than 36 hours and the staff swears product is out of its temperature-controlled environment for "less than 10 seconds" before it's prepared to order. That rush-rush contributes to the high-energy atmosphere — perfect for the one who makes your heart race.

ENO Restaurant and Wine Bar

800 Peachtree St., 404-685-3191

Enjoy the relaxed pace of the Mediterranean at this fine dining destination. The menu features authentic, high quality ingredients in simple classic and modern preparations. The wine list focuses on artisan, biodynamic and organic producers. Candlelight, white linens and dining nooks contribute to the romantic mood.

Food 101 Morningside

1397 North Highland Ave., 404-347-9747

Built around classic American offerings like meatloaf, pot roast and fried chicken, the menu raises home-style food traditions to

a new level with Chef Ron Eyester's creative touch. Perhaps this groovy retro space is the place to take your relationship to a new level.

No Mas! Cantina

180 Walker Street in Castleberry Hill
404-574-5679

Why just party when you can fiesta? Here the value prices are wallet friendly but the high quality authentic Mexican cuisine won't leave a cheap taste in your date's mouth. Forgot a gift? No worries: Everything is on the menu, so if your date adores the margarita pitcher you can buy it.

Pacific Kitchen

913 Bernina Ave. NE
404-223-9292

Slip in here and feel transported to a San Francisco bistro. Executive Chef Nick Leahy favors local, organic produce sourced from local farmers' markets and the restaurant's herb garden—a very Californian approach to cooking, indeed. Simple yet cozy décor helps keep the focus on the food and love.

Park 75

75 Fourteenth St., 404-881-9898

Fine dining without compromise and without too much fuss. The innovative, seasonally inspired menu features contemporary dishes. The wine list is primarily American, with an emphasis on red varietals and boutique labels. The artistic desserts are almost too pretty to eat. Your date is bound to be impressed by the cuisine and, by association, you.

Season's 52

3050 Peachtree Rd. NW, 404-846-1552
90 Perimeter Center W., 770-671-0052

Respect is love's foundation. The menu here respects waistlines without compromising flavor: Every item on the seasonally inspired menu contains less than 475 calories, but grilling and other cooking techniques contribute great taste. The wine list is arranged from light to bold — but hey, it's Valentine's Day, so go for the gusto.

Sun Dial Restaurant Bar & View

210 Peachtree St., 404-589-7506

Take your date for a spin on top of the Westin for an unrivaled view of Atlanta. Since Chef Christian Messier has arrived the quality of the menu has been ramped up tremendously, making the place more than a tourist destination. Breathtaking views and live jazz contribute to the romantic ambience.

Trader Vic's

255 Courtland St., 404-221-6339

Fruity concoctions and tantalizing tidbits grace this menu. From tropical cocktails and Polynesian appetizers, the diverse offerings also include fresh seafood dishes prepared in Chinese wood fired ovens, wok creations, curries and luau-style dinners. The kitschy décor avoids overt cheesiness and top-notch service adds class. What could be more romantic than a Pacific Island getaway without the jet lag?

Wahool!

1042 West College St. in Decatur
404-373-3331

Ready to exclaim your love? Where better than a place named after a happy outcry? Boasting "an eclectic menu that focuses on seafood with a Southern twist" the interior space is cozy and rustic while a country garden graces the outdoors. Throughout the place, the dominant mood is playful.

Watershed

406 West Ponce de Leon in Decatur
404-378-4900

Bright and cheery this place manages to be romantic even if it is a little noisy. Southern fare with flair is on the menu here, alongside fine wine and desserts like those that grandma used to make (if she was an excellent cook). Watershed is housed in a converted gas station — proof that things can change for the better.