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Trip Inspiration: A Romantic Getaway to Greater Palm Springs

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Greater Palm Springs sets the scene for romance. Throughout this oasis, you'll find dreamy places to lay your head, delightful patios under a starry sky for dining and pleasing places to stroll with your loved one. Start planning a romantic getaway to Greater Palm Springs with these hotel, restaurant and activity picks.

Book a Boutique Stay Sparrows Lodge

Two lovebirds in a tree? It must be a sign. In fact, it is the sign that welcomes guests to the couples-friendly **Sparrows Lodge** in Palm Springs. Here, lush beds, deep soaking tubs and a completely unplugged atmosphere let you and yours focus on reconnecting during your stay.

Take your vacation to the next level with a couple's treatment in the property's Massage Tent. Chirping birds, trickling fountains and burning sage set the tone for romance and relaxation during this open-air experience.

The Willows Historic Palm Springs Inn

This historic property is a true treasure. Each of the eight guest suites is unique, while the lush multi-level gardens make the Inn feel like a true oasis. Add majestic mountain views, and this is one location seemingly made for romance. Draped in privacy, elegance and luxury, **The Willows Historic Palm Springs Inn** offers a taste of Old Hollywood Glamour for your romantic Greater Palm Springs getaway.

L'Horizon Hotel and Spa

A midcentury gem by architect William F. Cody, **L'Horizon** offers guests a discrete getaway in the heart of South Palm Springs. Twenty guest bungalows and four suites offer guests complete privacy to enjoy each other's company, while stunning mountain backdrops entice guests to lounge by the pool to soak up the views. During your stay, enjoy a romantic dinner under the stars on the lush patio of **SO•PA**, the on-site restaurant.

Santiago Resort

A private, pet-friendly resort for gay men at the foot of the San Jacinto Mountains, the swimsuit-optional **Santiago Resort** offers an atmosphere of serenity and romance. There are 24 rooms, most with king beds and a few with two queen beds. There are lush gardens and pool area with daybeds and hammocks for relaxing, fire pits for cuddling on cooler evenings, bikes for cruising around town, "Stay n Splash" poolside lunch with specialty sandwiches, salads and wraps, and the privacy you want on a romantic getaway.

Two Bunch Palms

Nestled in Desert Hot Springs, **Two Bunch Palms** offers the serenity and laid-back atmosphere where you can totally concentrate on each other. Rooms are scrumptious, with a cool desert vibe. Essence, the

resort's restaurant, provides guests with a seasonal, farm-to-table menu that is mostly locally sourced. The world-famous spa can pamper every inch of you and your sweetheart from face to toes.

The Chateau at Lake La Quinta

The Chateau at Lake La Quinta transports guests to a different world at this lakefront locale. It's not just the rooms that are luxurious here: the spa at The Chateau offers a full range of treatments, including L'Amour, especially designed for couples. The package includes dual massages, breakfast in bed from the on-property Mélange restaurant and a bottle of champagne.

2018 Valentine's Day Dinners

Copley's on Palm Canyon

With one of the area's most beautiful patios, **Copley's on Palm Canyon** is a go-to for romance in Greater Palm Springs. The \$75 **Valentine's Day prix fixe menu** offers some of Chef Andrew Copley's finest dishes, including Pan Roasted Australian Barramundi, beef tenderloin and lobster tail or the Neiman Ranch pork chop.

Eight4Nine

For Valentine's Day, Uptown Design District favorite **Eight4Nine** offers a \$59 prix menu with an amuse bouche of scallops, shrimp and asparagus in a Dungeness crab sauce, followed by a choice of soup/salad and entrée courses. Dinner ends on a sweet note with dessert choices including the restaurant's famous Coachella Lime Pie.

Cork Tree, A California Bistro

Cork Tree's Chef Brian Altman has created a dinner that's sure to lead to romance for Valentine's Day. Book the \$99 prix fixe menu and enjoy decadent items like Maine lobster bisque, surf and turf with filet mignon and Alaskan crab legs or seared Chilean sea bass. Top off the night with the chef's special dessert for two.

Si Bon Belgian Bistro

Treat your special someone to a romantic dinner for two at **Si Bon**, where the \$59 prix fixe Valentine's Day menu offers options like lobster bisque and duck liver pate du chef for starters, braised rabbit with tarragon mustard and pan-fried Filet of Sole for your entrée, and waffle berry pie for two to end your meal.

More Options for Romantic Dinners

The Saguaro Hotel & Pool

Cuddle by the fire pits at **The Saguaro**, where the hotel serves its special Desert Nights menu Fridays through Sundays on the Palmetto Patio. Snuggle under the stars with a warm cup of Mexican hot chocolate (with mezcal) or mulled wine with special entertainment like live music and movie screenings.

4 Saints at The Rowan Palm Springs

Raise the bar for date night at the tallest restaurant in Palm Springs: **4 Saints at The Rowan**. Incredible 270-degree views of Palm Springs set the tone for an evening above it all, perfectly paired with a Mediterranean-inspired seasonal menu, boutique wines, local beers and craft cocktails.

La Paon

French is the language of love and **La Paon** definitely speaks it. Impress your date with a menu of French dishes such as Escargot de Bourgogne, Frog Legs Provençal, Coquilles (scallops) Saint- Jacques au Gratin, and a lovely array of steaks, chops and veal dishes.

Romantic Activity Ideas

Palm Springs Aerial Tramway

Take your love to new heights with a ride to the top of Mount San Jacinto on the **Palm Springs Aerial Tramway**. Here, you and your beloved can chill with incredible views of the Coachella Valley before exploring the area's hiking trails. Winter months also bring snow to the top of the tram, and snow gear like skis and snowshoes are available for rent.

Hiking

If you and your significant other love the outdoors, you're bound to fall in love with the hiking trails of Greater Palm Springs. Walk hand-in-hand along trickling streams in the **Indian Canyons**, and don't forget to pack a picnic lunch. Or venture into the Coachella Valley Preserve for a leisurely nature walk along McCallum Trail to discover a tranquil oasis.

Looking for more vacation inspiration for your next romantic getaway? Check out the latest **hotel deals in Greater Palm Springs**.



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