

Amorous Escapes

At cozy winter retreats, on remote tropical islands and in the bustling metropolis, love is in the air

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Over-water bungalows at Le Taha'a Island Resort and Spa in Tahiti

When it comes to romance, there are no borders or boundaries. Alluring destinations, luxurious accommodations and sweet amenities add up to love the world over. Here are five unique hideaways that are ideal for a dreamy rendezvous with your lover.

Triple Creek Ranch

The cozy elegance of a winter's night, complete with crackling fire and rustic cowboy luxury, ignites romance at the Triple Creek Ranch (www.triplecreekranch.com), an all-inclusive resort in the Montana Rockies that was voted No. 1 inn in the continental U.S. and No. 13 in the world by Travel and Leisure magazine readers in 2013. The sumptuous log cabins in the towering pines and on the lake feature log-post beds, fireplaces and wet bars (house wines and cocktails included). Arrange an in-cabin couple's massage followed by vino in your hot tub under the stars, and savor gourmet fare provided by the ranch's French-trained chef.

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Share dreamy lake views — perhaps from the 2,500-square-foot suite atop the Coeur d'Alene Golf and Spa Resort (www.cdaresort.com) — on Idaho's shimmering Lake Coeur d'Alene. The lake-view suite boasts a waterfall tub inside and a heated glass-bottom swimming pool on the sweeping balcony. Unwind in the Spa Coeur d'Alene, a Conde Nast Gold List spa. The Couple's Massage Suite ritual includes champagne and chocolates. Toast to love at Beverly's fine-dining restaurant, which features the Pacific Northwest's largest wine cellar. If golf is your passion, play the famous floating hole on the resort's expansive course.

Le Taha'a Island Resort and Spa

Experience sun-kissed South Seas bliss in a luxurious over-water bungalow on a secluded islet at Le Taha'a Island Resort and Spa (www.letahaa.com) in French Polynesia. It's the sole Relais and Chateaux resort in Tahiti with the only truly private decks upon which to relax in the tropical sun. After sunbathing and slipping into the turquoise waters for a dip with your honey, sip champagne and gaze at the sunset in the tree house restaurant above the beach before dinner under the stars on a private island. Share warm vanilla oil massages in Le Spa, a bamboo haven opening onto a serene garden lagoon.

Hotel Metropole Monte Carlo

Fairytale romance comes true at the Hotel Metropole Monte Carlo (www.metropole.com), a palatial retreat located just steps from Casino Square in Monaco. European opulence defines the rooms, with marble baths and terraces overlooking the French Riviera. Enjoy two-star Michelin cuisine at Joel Robuchon Monte Carlo restaurant, and one-star Michelin Japanese at Yoshi. Luxuriate in a VIP suite at Metropole ESPA, a member of Leading Spas of the World. Arrange "just for you" pleasures, such as wine tasting and lunch with the owner at nearby Chateau Roubine vineyard.

Gramercy Park Hotel

Steal away to Manhattan and cozy up at the bohemian-chic Gramercy Park Hotel (www.gramercyparkhotel.com) on Gramercy Park, New York City's only private gated park. As a guest, you'll have the key to the park — and to your lover's heart. Go for a stroll before sipping cocktails at the hotel's exclusive Rose Bar, a favorite with A-listers, and dine at Danny Meyer's acclaimed Maialino Italian restaurant. Arrange for in-room spa services, or simply snuggle up together in a boldly colored suite appointed with velvet upholstery, Italian linens, a feather bed and romantic park views.

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