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## This Maine Town Celebrates Valentine's Day For An Entire Month

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February 14 marks the most romantic day of the year. You go out of your way to do something special for the person you love and every restaurant or shop seems to be in the loving spirit. Well, one town in Maine takes things a bit further by celebrating the passion-inducing holiday for an entire month!

Yup, much-loved summertime retreat, Kennebunkport, Maine is considered "New England's Most Romantic Town" and they take that title seriously. Starting the weekend of January 28, they kick off a month-long event called Paint the Town Red where they welcome lovebirds well beyond Valentine's Day with special savings, happenings and exclusive offers.



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The whole town gets in the spirit.

Opening night starts at the annual "Frosted! A Freezing Good Time" Ice Bar celebration hosted at David's KPT, located at The Boathouse Waterfront Hotel. This is when the red twinkly lights are lit at Dock Square in downtown Kennebunkport and an eight-foot glowing red heart adorned with Maine lobster traps is put on display. The celebrations continue all month long with special "Red Plate" dinners and culinary experiences, mixology classes, brewery tours, wine tastings, and more. Of course, the hotels get in on the action too by offering Red for Romance hotel packages and stores have Red Tag sales.



Meet Tasha the Cupid Concierge.

The town even has a Cupid Concierge (no Joke). Couples can call upon Kennebunkport Resort Collection's Tasha Harper to help curate the perfect romantic getaway if maybe planning isn't your strong suit. "As Cupid Concierge, my Job is to enhance the romance element and take care of all the details for the guest," explains Tasha. "From planning a surprise engagement to placing a love note with rose petals on the pillow at turndown."

Ready for a little romance? Check out some of the Paint the Town Red specials below.

## Red Romance Lodging Packages



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Kennebunkport Inn rolls out the red carpet for lovebirds.

- The "Love KPT" lodging package includes a two-night stay for two people at <u>The Boathouse Waterfront Hotel</u> (starting at \$373) or the <u>Kennebunkport Inn</u> (starting at \$405), arrival goodies of red wine and chocolate-covered strawberries, a three course dinner for two, and a late check-out at noon. The package is available from now through March 30, 2017. To book, visit the individual property's website.
- · <u>Kennebunk Inn</u>: rates start at \$160 for a two-night stay, valid for the weekend of February 10, 2017 only.

## Red Plate Specials at Kennebunkport Restaurants



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Restaurants offer specials along with other culinary experiences.

- · David's KPT: \$50 for one bottle of Moet & Chandon Imperial
- · <u>Kennebunkport Inn</u>: choice of "dessert for two" for \$12 (dessert options will vary throughout February)
- · <u>Mornings in Paris</u>: French hot cocoa, red velvet latte, pink passion mocha, and a variety of chocolate treats and specialty drinks available throughout February
- · Saturday, February 11, 2017: Date Skate Dinner at <u>Academe</u> in the Kennebunk Inn; the three course menu will feature a signature cocktail and red inspired dinner specials; \$45 per person, excluding tax and tip (call 207-985-3351 for more information)