

The First Date by SHAWN COLLINS
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You 're nervous. Excited. Like a school dance, where all the boys are on one side,
all the girls on the other.
Whether you made first contact, or she did, you have decided to meet each other
in a neutral place. Ok, so now what?

On the first date, you are just trying to get to know each other, so the perfect first date will probably involve a nice conversation over a glass of wine,
not bungee jumping.

If the weather is pleasant you can get some ice cream and have a walk in a park or
on the beach or even sit on a bench in the moonlight and let the conversation flow
in view of this romantic setting.

If mother nature isn 't cooperating, and you have to take refuge indoors,
you may choose a bar, cafe ' , or her favorite restaurant.

For safety reasons, having the first date in one of your apartments isn 't a great idea.
The host may also feel intimidated by the exposure and the invasion to his/her privacy.

Additionally, some basic first date guidelines to help you choose the most perfect place
for your first date:

What? Huh?

In a first date you want to get to know the person you are going out with and
the best way to achieve that is by talking.
Places with loud music, or even loud crowds, can cause you both to shout and not hear each other and spoil the date.

I wear my sunglasses at night

Going on a first date you want to have some lighting so you can read your date 's body language and see their expressions.

A dark place might create an impression of sleaziness that might ruin the atmosphere you are trying to create.

Woah...how much?

Even if you can afford an expensive place, and you're planning to pay for the date,
your date may feel uncomfortable in such an environment.

First dates are stressful enough, don't give your date another reason to be nervous.

Totally Chic

Finally, don't go to a too trendy place. These places tend to be too crowded and, will destroy the intimacy off your date.

First date locations should be quiet, cozy, and allow you to stay for as long as you like without feeling obliged to spend an outrageous amount of money.

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