Memories are made when you do something together, out of the ordinary and at your own pace.

Come and write your own romantic story with us.



## in the Wye Valley & Forest Of Dean

**Height of Passion** 

Take a romantic stroll across the wooden bridge at Symonds Yat Rock, then hold tight as you gaze down from the peak to the winding River Wye 120-metres below.

Take a pair of binoculars to Symonds Yat Rock and spot beautiful birds such as the imperial Peregrine Falcons as they soar above the River Wye.

Spring is in the air, so take a riverside walk along the Wye, and as there is still a chill in the air head to a welcoming pub with a roaring fire. Take the hand ferry at Symonds Yat and take a seat for lunch in The Saracens Head.

Pack a blanket and picnic then head deep into the Forest where no one can hear you scream. Lay back and look at the sky through the treetop canopy, let the breeze brush your cheek while rustling leaves and bird song tantalise your ears.

The Forest is home to the Sculpture Trail which begs for selfies at every one of its 17 installations along the four-mile adventure through art. The highlight is a 15ft high stained glass window suspended from the tree canopy, check it out before heading to Beechenhurst Cafe for a warm drink.

The snog-friendly Speech House Hotel urges its Valentine's guests to go wild outdoors and explore hidden glades in the Forest. Then return for a sensuous hot chocolate before a romantic meal in the ancient Verderers Court.

"You can't buy happiness but you can buy a bicycle and that's pretty close", goes the famous quotation, and there's no better way to explore the Dean Wye than on a tandem. Life is like a 10-speed bicycle, most of us have gears we never use. Change the habit of a lifetime together and hire one at Pedalabikeaway Cycle Centre or get two bikes at Dean Forest Cycles.

Enjoy a breathless daytime stroll to the top of May Hill and marvel at the views from this highpoint. Take a torch, a blanket, wrap up warm, fill a flask with hot chocolate and enjoy a moonlit drink while stargazing over the three counties.

Near May Hill is local brewer, Hillside, why not pop in to its shop and add a couple of amorous ales or sexy brews to a Valentine's picnic, then take a stroll to the top and together watch the sun go down from the highest point in the county.

**Sunset Stroll** 

Stroll carefree hand in hand around magical Mallards Pike and watch sunbeams bounce off the rippling water. Listen to the ducks quack, trees rustle and the gentle lap of the lake as it strokes the bushy bank beneath you.

Follow in the footsteps of Nelson and Lady Hamilton at The Kymin where you will enjoy stunning views from the Grade II-listed Roundhouse, which boasts picturesque views from every angle.

**Royal Romance**Be a Valentine's Lord or Lady for a day when you explore one of our many historic Be a Valentine's Lord or Lady for a day when you explore then picair on the banks castles. Check out Chepstow Castle with one true love then picnic on the banks of the Wye.



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Afternoon Delight

"At half past three, everything stops for tea", goes the song, so forget fine dining and overpriced restaurants, romance your beau in traditional English style. Take a welcome break from a hectic day to indulge each other with a pot of tea, some sandwiches and cake in one of our historic tea rooms or country house hotels.

Steamy Romance Some like it hot, but who doesn't find something romantic about meeting a handsome stranger in the confines of a train carriage? Have a brief encounter and get steamy while you ride the rails behind one of the Forest's heart pounding locomotives.



Grab your partner's hand and head to Cannop Ponds where couples can play poo sticks on the bridge, or sit a while on one of the jetties and watch the wildlife including mandarin ducks, swards and dragonflies.

**Swinger king**Be the King of the Swingers and express undying love from the tree tops with Go Ape Adventure. It's the perfect test of nerve for a budding Tarzan and Jane. Can you navigate heart stopping high-wire obstacles and take a leap of faith down a zip wire to terra firma?

**Wheel Love** 

Budding Patrick and Demis can get creative with clay at Eastnor Pottery and Hot Pot Pottery and recreate their own Ghost moment. Get steamy with ceramics and spin out a masterpiece to take home.



**Star Crossed Lovers** 

Just like the magical aphrodisiac of Puzzlewood made the Huntsman fall in love with Snow White, couples can dare to explore this ancient, enchanting maze of twisting paths that make the mildest couples go mad with desire.

**Going Underground** Experience an underground waterfall and get engaged in a labyrinth of magical and mysterious passageways hundreds of feet beneath the Forest at Clearwell Caves.



Local brew lovers should wander among vines, which grow on south-facing hillsides, following a self-guided tour, then taste some sweet or fruity wines from award winning producers.

Visit our historic towns and villages and spoil each other with unique gifts or stock up on local produce. There are butchers and bakers, vintage dress makers, traditional sweet shops and craft stalls. Stop for a coffee and a bite to eat in one of many delicatessens that serve mouth-watering home-made meals.















