

WHOO HOO!

You downloaded the **12 Months of Date Nights PRINTABLE PACK**, which is chock full of so much gift potential, your computer screen might explode (watch out!). I'm really excited for you, but even more so for the people to whom you are going to gift some love-soaked quality time.

CONTENTS:

Here's what you are going to find on the pages of this pdf:

- ✓ The **RED** mini-book collection
- ✓ The **PURPLE** mini-book collection
- ✓ The **BLUE** mini-book collection
- ✓ List of 25 Date Ideas

Each collection is identical to the others (with the exception of color scheme) and has everything you need to compile an epically awesome mini-book gift for a significant other, friend, child, parent, family, or couple.

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Decide which color scheme(s) you'd like to work with and note their page numbers.
2. Print the pages you need on your printer's highest quality photo settings. For durability, I recommend printing on white cardstock.
3. Cut out the mini-pages using scissors or a paper-cutter.
4. Assemble your mini-pages in the order in which you would like them to appear. Here's how I have assembled mine:
 - cover page
 - "with love, from me to you" page OR "for: ____ from: ____" page
 - optional: blank page with a personal note OR 2 page instructions/inspiration for a wedding gift
 - start with the page for the month after the current one, then the next 11 months that follow.
 - wild card (which the recipient may choose to redeem at any time during the next 12 months).
 - end with an occasion card (i.e. "Merry Christmas," "Happy Valentine's Day," "Congrats!" etc.) and/or a special message like "You are loved."
5. I like to add decorative dividers in between all of the pages listed above, either using scrapbook paper or photos printed on paper. I just use a blank mini-page as a template and cut my dividers to size before inserting them in their proper place.
6. Hole-punch your mini-book. I recommend punching one piece of cardstock with its divider at the same time, using the punch circle on the cardstock as a guide.
7. Bind your mini-book using a binder ring, string, or ribbon. You can find the binder rings at most craft and hobby stores, as well as [on Amazon](#) (affiliate link).
8. Pre-plan your dates using the list in the back of this Printable Pack as inspiration! (Or leave them blank if you are gifting this to a couple or want your child or family to contribute ideas.)

Now, you're ready to gift your mini-book and make someone's year a year for the record books.

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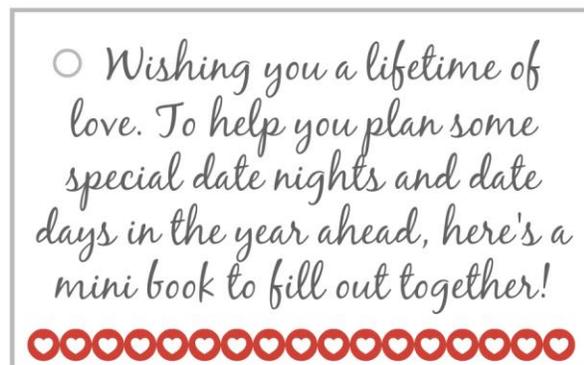
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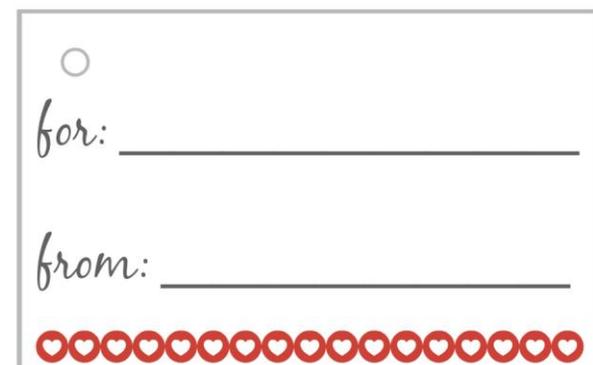
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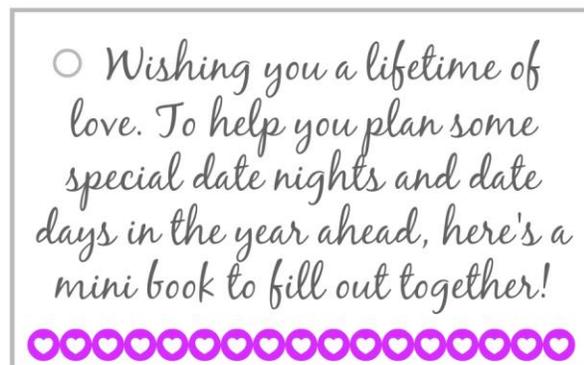
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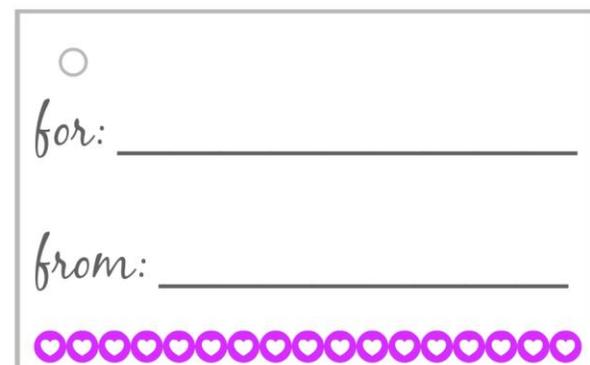
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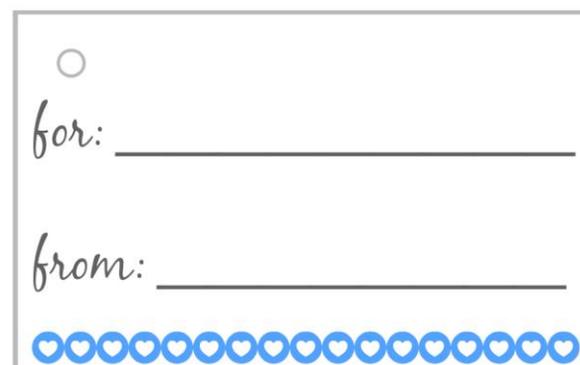
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25 DATE IDEAS

Here is a list of 25 date ideas to get your creative juices flowing as you complete your mini-books. These are some of my favorites that I pulled from a list of [101 Creative Date Night on a Dime](#) that I compiled in February 2014, so if you're hungry for more, [here's where you can find it](#).

1. Make a time capsule and bury it with plans to dig it up in 10 years.
2. Have a cookie bake-off.
3. Mini golf...it never gets old, does it?
4. Sign up for a walk, run, or bike race together. Plan several date "days" to prepare for it!
5. Sit down and write postcards together to some of your favorite people.
6. Get up early one weekend morning and go garage sale-ing together. (Be sure to set a budget for yourselves before you start.)
7. Plan a food crawl where you enjoy an appetizer at one restaurant, the main course at another, and dessert at a third spot!
8. Tackle a volunteer project together through your local church or community center.
9. Create an audio recording of you each interviewing each other.
10. Water gun fight! Invite neighborhood friends to join in on the fun.
11. Set a timer for 10 minutes and each write down 10 things you love about the other person. Then, share them with each other and prepare for plenty of "Awww" moments.
12. Visit a "paint your own pottery" place and create something for each other.
13. Explore a state park by car, foot, or canoe.
14. Create your own photobooth, and take goofy photos together.
15. Visit the zoo, petting farm, or aquarium on discount days!
16. On a windy day, fly a kite together at the park.
17. Create a mall scavenger hunt for yourselves.
18. Game night! Enjoy a tourney with some of your favorite board games.
19. Build a fire, and roast s'mores.
20. Plan a movie marathon of one of your favorite trilogies.
21. Visit a pet store and play with the fur-babies.
22. Hop in the car and hit the open road for a road trip to remember.
23. Draw each other's portraits with your non-dominant hand. Laugh at the results, then frame 'em.
24. Be brave and sing a duet together at Karaoke night!
25. Write letters to each other that you'll open 20 years from now.