

experience COLUMBUS

SWEET ROMANCE

Fall in love (or fall in love all over again) on a romantic getaway in Columbus. With relaxing spas, intimate dinners and luxurious accommodations, there's plenty of ways to get the sparks flying.

DAY ONE

Pamper yourself and your loved one with a full body massage at one of the many **spas at Easton Town Center**, one of the Midwest's top shopping, dining and entertainment destinations. Among the hundreds of specialty stores to explore are three of the Columbus-based **Victoria's Secret** shops and **Tiffany & Co.** Save time for a horse-drawn carriage ride, available in December and during other special holidays.

Stay at Easton for dinner and a performance by **Shadowbox**, a theater troupe presenting hilarious comedy skits and sexy rock 'n' roll performances. Or head to one of Columbus' award-winning romantic restaurants. **M**, local restaurateur Cameron Mitchell's marquee restaurant, offers one of the best views of the downtown skyline from its outdoor terrace. **The Refectory**, set in a restored 1800s church, serves French cuisine in an intimate setting and has one of the best wine collections in the country.



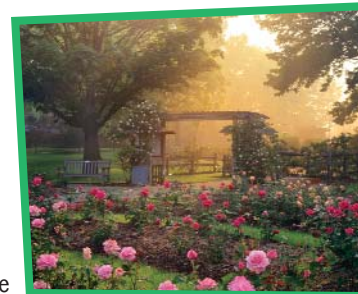
Romance awaits at M

Enjoy romance packages available at many of Columbus' best hotels. Each of the rooms is distinctive at **The Lofts**, where a rose petal turndown, chocolate nightcap and champagne await. Along with its trademark Heavenly Beds, the historic **Westin Columbus** offers a bottle of bubbly and strawberries. Stay across from Easton Town Center at the **Hilton Columbus at Easton** where you'll have champagne and breakfast for two in your room. Or enjoy the comfortable privacy at the **German Village Guesthouse**, a cozy B&B tucked in a historic neighborhood.

DAY TWO

Spend the morning in **German Village**, a charming restored neighborhood listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Stop for decadent pastries at **Pistacia Vera**, then stroll along the cobblestone streets, stopping at public gardens or one-of-a-kind shops, such as **Helen Winnemore Contemporary Craft Gallery** and **The Book Loft**, a popular independent bookstore. Enjoy lunch at **Barcelona**, which has one of the best patio settings in the city.

See and *smell* thousands of varieties of roses at the **Park of Roses**, one of the country's largest metropolitan rose gardens. You can even bring a picnic lunch and dine amid the flowers.



Be surrounded by flowers at the Park of Roses

Sample varieties of wine and choose your favorite at **House Wine** in the Olde Worthington shopping district or at **Vino 100**, close to Polaris Fashion Place mall.

Enjoy dinner downtown at the happening **Hyde Park Prime Steakhouse** or return to German Village to dine at **G. Michael's American Bistro**, set in a historic townhouse. After dinner, take in a show by one of Columbus' performing arts groups, including **BalletMet**, the **Columbus Jazz Orchestra** and **Broadway Across America-Columbus**.

DAY THREE

Admire flowers and a permanent collection of glass artwork at **Franklin Park Conservatory**, the only public botanical garden with a permanent Dale Chihuly collection.

Explore the art galleries and boutiques in neighboring **Bexley**, before indulging at **Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams**, known for unusual flavors such as Thai chili and salty caramel.

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