

Valentine's Day restaurants: Picks for Long Island's most romantic eateries

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It's that time again: Flutes of Champagne, flickering candles, and prix-fixe menus, maybe set against a soundtrack of Sade or Sinatra. While Valentine's Day dining rituals certainly have their place, this year you and your sweetie might be craving an adventure. If you are in the mood for something new, here are our critics' top picks for revving up the romance this Valentine's Day.

Maxwell's



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Maxwell's (501 Main St., Islip): This saloon-style restaurant with comfy booths, part of the Lessings Restaurant Group, is offering a \$65-per-couple prix fixe in addition to its regular menu items. Among the appetizer choices: Burrata with figs and prosciutto, jumbo shrimp cocktail, and Maryland crab cakes. The main course is a surf-n-turf for two, including two 8-ounce filet mignons and crab-stuffed jumbo shrimp. Dessert, a sweetheart brownie for two, is also shared. "Sweetheart drinks" including Burning Love (Tequila, POM liqueur, lemon and lime juice) will be on offer as well, for \$12. You'll also find the same prix fixe menu at sister restaurants The Post Office Café and The Library Café. More info: 631-210-0011, lessings.com