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## A guy's guide to romance: 10 easy ways to be romantic

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Sometimes men make life difficult for themselves — like avoiding that fateful stop at the gas station for directions.

But sometimes, a little help goes a long way. Recognized

romance expert Gregory Godek, author of "1001 Ways to Be Romantic," offers men advice for getting directly from point A to point B when it comes to romancing their women.

"Life is too short not to be romantic," Godek said. "And being romantic doesn't have to be extravagant or complicated. A little motivation and a little help are all you need to go from couch potato to Casanova."

Godek shares his Top 10 List of Easy Ways To Be Ro-

mantic — for both single and married men — to act upon

and share with generations of Y chromosomes to come:

1. Send her flowers unexpectedly. Choose a bunch of her favorite flowers or ask your florist (man's next best

friend) for suggestions.

2. Write her a check for a million kisses, and let her take it to the bank.

3. Have "your song" playing on the stereo when she returns home from work or errands, and whisk her into a spontaneous dance.

 For a change of pace eat breakfast by candlelight or have dinner in bed.

5. Fill her car with red balloons.

Write her a love letter — it doesn't have to be perfect, poetic or long — just from you.
 Have a play date once a month, where you get away

together for a day of fun.

8. Fill her answering machine or voice mall with roman-

tic messages.

9. Kidnap her — blindfold her and take her to a favorite restaurant, the theater, the racetrack or another place you

both enjoy.

10. Draw her a bath sprinkled with rose petals, and light some candles.

Finally, remember that real men aren't afraid to be romantic.

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Real criminal aliases on file from U.S. law enforcement wanted lists

From wanted lists as distributed by police departments across the United States

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