Planning a date can be an intimidating prospect. Go too conventional and you've bored the other person before things have even begun. Go too unusual and you've spooked them. How do you navigate that tricky path to stick out without weirding them out?

E-bikes might just be the solution you are looking for. As several fans online can attest, e-bike dates are becoming a trend worth joining in. Let's take a look at how they can make your next date night a successful one.

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## Versatility is the name of the game

Every person is different so every date should reflect that. Plan the best date possible for the people going on it. After all, we all have specific preferences and pet peeves. Some dates, thus, can be an absolute no-go. You can't make a trip to the cinema fun for someone who hates movies.

E-bikes dates, on the other hand, give you the flexibility that makes them a great component of any romantic plan. Nature lovers, foodies, architecture enthusiasts, and even those who like a touch of competition can all find something to love in a date day or night planned around the e-bike.



## Connect in the outdoors

There are few things more satisfying than the simple pleasures of the outdoors. Unlikely so many forms of transportation that separate you from outside, e-bikes allow you to move while being amongst nature. The sights, the smells, the sensations of the outdoors, all right there for your enjoyment.

Frequently e-bikes come equipped with baskets or saddlebags allowing a couple to back a delicious picnic lunch. Whether you and your date prefer sandwiches, an array of snack foods, or the components of a tasty salad, it's easy to load up and head out to some quiet romantic spot. In no time, you can both be appreciating each other, the food, and the beauty of nature.

Others crave sun, surf, and sand. E-bikes are an excellent choice to get you to the beach. Whether you and your date just want to appreciate the scenery or will be enjoying a quick dip in the water, the e-bike can get you there quickly and with almost no hassle.

Sometimes you don't want to stop at all. Exploring a bike-friendly park or hiking trail on an e-bike is a fun way to do that. If you or your date also crave a challenge, many parks offer geocaching to add a treasure hunt element to your day together. It'll give you a good time outdoors and the thrill of solving a puzzle by working together.

For some, geocaching might be a bit too structured. They'd prefer to go their way, to set their own goals. However, they do like the idea of working together on a project. A fun, and perhaps a bit silly, option, might be to create a shape with the route you take.

Using an app that records your route and allows you to share it on social media, you can "draw" while you drive. First dates might enjoy riding their way into creative shapes just for the fun. Long-time couples may favor something a bit sweeter, like a heart or some symbol of significance in their relationship.

### A different and easier time

Perhaps, you and your date enjoy the traditional trip downtown for dinner and dancing or drinks and live music. You know where you like to go and what you like to order. That's wonderful.

Even if it seems like you have it all worked out, though, e-bikes can enhance the experience.

First, even our favorite things can gain a new glow when we go about them differently. By the simple act of changing how you get to your favorite spot with the person you love, you open up new ways of getting to enjoy each other's company.

Second, e-bikes can often offer a better, more relaxed way to get from point A to your date destination. Construction, accidents, or traffic stops can all make a car ride an unexpectedly unpleasant experience. Even driving a route you've traveled a thousand times before can surprise you with traffic. Suddenly, your usual trip to your favorite hall in the wall tapas restaurant is 35 minutes when it usually takes 15.

An e-bike can help you avoid all of that, making each trip as predictable and within your control as the last. Plus, when you get there, you don't have to worry about endless hunting for parking spots, if you have money to feed the meter, or what time you have to leave to make sure your car doesn't end up locked in a parking garage overnight.

Finally, even if you love your spot, sometimes you or your partner might get the impulse to try something new. With an e-bike, you have the flexibility to get right ahead and indulge that desire. Drinks at the usual place, but then dinner at the new Thai restaurant a few streets away? Easy as can be. Have room for dessert after? Perfect! You both have had your eyes on the Italian bakery a block over for weeks.

An e-bike lets you do it all without worrying about finding a new parking spot, wasting gas, or any of the other hassles that come along with relying on a car to get you around.

## A date for any time of day

Date *night* certainly connotes a specific time of day, which is understandable but limiting. But with ebikes, you can expand your definition of the best time to spend time with that special someone.

If you love the evenings, but you and your date have no interest in dinner or the theater, maybe a leisurely e-bike ride will provide a fantastic opportunity to get to know each other. With most e-bikes boasting built-in lights, the dark presents no problem at all.

Just imagine taking a ride with your date, partner, or spouse during a sunrise *or* sunset: You can take in the incredible colors, talk to each other, and get in some light exercise all at the same time.



## Refocus and get rid of distractions

We all know life can be so busy sometimes, it can make the people we count on easy to take for granted. After years of dating or being married, sometimes a distance can develop between you and the one you love.

E-bikes can be one way of reaching across that divide.

As already mentioned, introducing a new way of doing routine activities can shake us up, and keep us from taking our everyday lives for granted.

Once you are in a position to refocus, the e-bike is a very good way to be together that eliminates distractions. No phones to answers, no screens to distract. Just you two, together, riding and talking.

As we grow together, we tend to develop different interests. You might have fallen in love with exercise, while your partner preferred painting. As a result, letting you around one of their canvases is a recipe for disaster and they struggle to keep up with you on a run.

With the e-bike, though, the engine can be a great equalizer. You can both enjoy the light level of exercise it offers without feeling like you have to keep waiting for them or them constantly concerned about getting left behind.

## Let someone else do the planning

Some people can be great once they get on the date, but planning one gives them the chills. Maybe they're anxious about ensuring every element is right. Perhaps they just aren't very creative in this aspect of their lives.

Whatever the reason, planning could be throwing a monkey wrench in their love life.

With the rising popularity of the e-bike, a solution has presented itself for the planning-challenged. Let someone else do it for you.

Throughout the United States companies are popping up to help you plan an e-bike day or night date. Whether you and your date might enjoy something as simple as a trip along the water or as complicated as a daylong tour of the bottom of a canyon, these services will help you turn into a master planner.

For those who have moved past the first dates into the international vacation stage of their relationship, you don't have to worry anymore either. Companies are creating e-bike powered vacations all over Europe, Asia, and South America.

Next time you're at a loss of how to make your next date special, remember the e-bike option. No matter the interests, the stage of the relationship, or the location, e-bikes offer a wide variety of ways to plan and enhance the dating experience.