

# XCentric Ideas

1 February 2007  
Volume 2 — Issue 2  
by  
ALMA PRÉTORIUS  
alma@xcentricideas.co.za  
082 499 8482

## TO LOVE – IS TO GIVE

'You often say, "I would give, but only to the deserving."

The trees in your orchard say not so, nor the flocks in your pasture.

They give that they may live,  
FOR TO WITHHOLD IS TO PERISH!'

*Kahlil Gibran*

# Love Gifts



## Parking Attendant

When you're shown a good spot, give a pie and cold drink instead of money.



## Tollgate

Pay for the car behind you – watch the puzzled expressions ...



## Waiter/ress

Give a generous tip for excellent service.



## Snip, colour & blow

Surprise your hairdresser with a flower or chocolate.

# Love Recipes

## Oh so smooth

Blend together 1 cup fresh strawberries, 1 cup milk,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup vanilla yoghurt and 4 ice cubes until smooth. Decorate.



## Hearty bread

Cut toast in a heart shape. Stack together with freshly cut fruit and serve.



## Sticky form

Press rice in a heart shape and serve with your meal.



## Freshly picked

Layer sliced fruit in a heart-shaped bowl for dessert.



# Love Gestures



## Catch the eye

Catch anyone's eye while you're walking and SMILE!



## Mirror Love

Use lipstick or shaving cream on the bathroom mirror and be creative.



## Dress Sexy

While he/she's in the shower, lay out some clothes on the bed – don't forget the compliments!



## Pecan or Brazil?

Slip a small bag of nuts into a briefcase/handbag with a note: "I'm nuts about you!"

# Love Ambience

Create the mood...  
with a treasure hunt!  
Romantic music, candles ...

## Love clues

Hunt starts at front door,  
following clues onto the lounge to  
undress...



## Bubbly

..fetch strawberries and bubbly  
in the kitchen...



## Treasure

..to the bedroom with sensual red  
sheets and the "treasure" -  
drenched in perfume and covered  
with rose petals...



# Love Treats to yourself



## French-la-la

Indulge yourself secretly with a lacy, silky and absolutely essential extravagance.



## Be creative

Start a new hobby – fabric painting, mosaic, scrapbooking, pottery, music lessons ...



## Never too late

Loosen your inner child – buy yourself a teddy bear or Barbie doll.



## Queen for the Day

Royal rule: avoid any effort or strain. Switch off your cell, order take-aways, watch movies and sip sparkling wine.

# Love Images



Love yourself - love thy neighbours

'You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.'

*Kahlil Gibran*