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# FALL IN LOVE (AGAIN) IN LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

## A HONEYMOON ESCAPE



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If you are looking for a honeymoon that feels like you have stepped into a storybook, discover Lexington. Enjoy quiet mornings, mountain air, charming streets and just enough adventure to keep things exciting. Located between the Blue Ridge and Allegheny Mountains, this little valley town is overflowing with romantic history and those “I think I want to live here” kind of moments.





## SMALL TOWN, BIG HEART

The town of Lexington greets you with aged old sidewalks, and the smell of mountain air. Everything moves a little slower here, the sun seems to slowly creep over the mountain points in the morning, and locals and visitors stroll the streets without any real apparent destination. Spend your first days as newlyweds wandering through downtown, walking into antique stores and art galleries, or take a carriage tour of downtown Lexington with Lexington Carriage and meet the sweet horses that pull the carriage, Weston and Arron. The town's historic charm is undeniable, but it never feels outdated. You will find beautifully historic buildings and inns that make you feel a part of the story. The Inn at Brierley Hill, for example, is a secluded and charming place to stay, surrounded by the mountains and breathtaking views every which way you look. Less than five minutes away from the heart of Lexington this Inn offers the chance to unwind and relax. Now, if you are the type of couple that is looking to stay in town, I recommend the Georges, a luxurious hotel located right in the heart of the city. The Georges has acquired five historic buildings all named after historical and famous alumni of the Virginia Military Institute.

## SIPS, FLAVORS AND ENJOY

Lexington's food scene is something to be mentioned. At the corner of Main and Washington stop in and enjoy a comforting meal in a cozy café. Annie's at the Georges is a great spot to stop in for breakfast or lunch and enjoy fresh pastries, cold-pressed juice and specialty teas like Virginia's own Junga Chai. If wine is your love language, make time to visit the Virginia Gold Orchard, a family-owned orchard that was started back in 1990 by Paul and Youngsuk Estabrook. The orchard has about 2,000 Asian pear trees which they have used the pears from those trees to curate a delicious pear wine. The Orchard is also home to cultivated lavender gardens and estate grown wines. You might just find yourself planning your anniversary trip here or packing up the whole family.

## FOR COUPLES WHO PREFER CHARM, CONNECTION, AND QUIET LUXURY

All in all, Lexington, Virginia is a place that invites newlyweds to slow down and savor every moment. With its romantic mountain setting, intimate inns, thoughtfully crafted dining, and welcoming people, it offers a honeymoon that feels both meaningful and unhurried. Days seem to slow down with scenic walks, wine tastings, and quiet adventures, while evenings are made for candlelit dinners and conversations and moments that become core memories. For couples seeking a honeymoon defined by connection, charm, and lasting memories, Lexington proves that the most unforgettable beginnings often happen in the most beautifully understated places.

