

Five places not to take a first date



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Where you go on a first date sets the tone for the potential relationship. The environment and circumstances surrounding the location of the first date can send the wrong message or simply make your date uncomfortable. As detailed in the previous article about **first date disasters**, the first date is crucial in making a good first impression. There are many events and activities, in North Texas, ideal for dates. However, the following

places/events should be avoided on the first date in order to give you the best chance for relationship success.

The most important place to avoid on a first date is a wedding. Taking a girl on a date to a wedding may seem like a good idea at first glance, but this can send the wrong message to the woman and "serious relationship" topics may come up that should not be discussed on the first few dates. First date conversation should be kept simple. Wedding conversation can bring up more serious topics such as how many children you want, how long you would date before marriage, pre-nuptial agreements, etc. These types of conversations should be discussed at least a month or two into the relationship.

If you take your date to a funeral, you can almost be certain that there will not be a second date to come. Funerals are for friends and family to remember and celebrate the life of the deceased. This date location gives you no time to get to know each other and may make her terribly uncomfortable. A date at a funeral may depress your date and make her wonder what kind of person you are that thinks funerals make good first dates.

Business parties and high school reunions should also be avoided on first dates. Unless your date went to high school with you or works in your office (which is a whole other topic), you should steer clear of these places. Your date may become bored and even uncomfortable around a group of people she doesn't know and may have nothing in common with. It's also possible that your date may get curious about every girl you talk to at the party or reunion. You may just be talking with old friends, but your date is going to wonder how many of those girls you dated, are they competition, and do they still have feelings for you.

Another place to avoid on a first date is a crowded bar or club. There are numerous clubs and bars in Dallas/Fort Worth that may seem like a hip, cool place to take a date. This is quite the contrary. This depends on the type of bar or club that you intend on going to. You want to avoid the highly popular bars or clubs because these places will be extremely loud and crowded. A first date shouldn't be spent squeezing between people while walking past the dance floor and yelling small talk at each other because you can't hear over the loud music. There are several bars and clubs in the metroplex that can be over filled with cigarette smoke and be very unpleasant. A small bar or pub may be acceptable if it has an interesting theme or history and is a calm, quiet place. However, taking a first date to a bar may give the impression that you are a party animal and don't know how to charm, or wine and dine a woman.

With so many **excellent places** in the DFW metroplex to take a woman on a first date you should have no problem avoiding these potential disaster date locations.

Remember that a first date should allow you to get to know each other and have a great time without being distracted or uncomfortable in the environments discussed above. Take your date to a nice, fun location where you can get to know each other and increase your potential for future dates with this woman.

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