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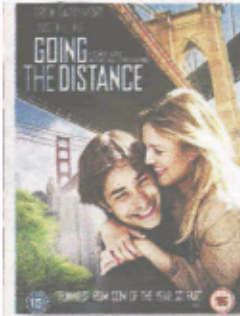
It's Valentine's Day next week and a thoughtful gift is a sure way to your beloved's heart. By *Rebecca Fiederer*



Surprise your loved one by recording your own romantic song in a professional studio (€99, www.songgift.ie)



Bag the perfect gift with stylish savings from Furla at Kildare Village — this gorgeous real leather Tate bag now costs €220 (half price from €445; see www.kildarevillage.com)



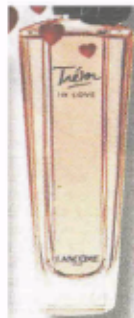
Treat her to one of last year's most quirky romcoms, *Going The Distance* starring Drew Barrymore (€15.99, HMV stores and larger supermarkets, nationwide)



Brighten your beloved's morning with a cute 'Love is...' Lid mug — a steal at €1.99 (stores nationwide)



Get her in a lather — the adorable PS I Love You is a gift set from Lush containing four romantic products, including the new Love Birds soap (€17.50, Lush stores)



For a scent-sational Valentine's, get her the gorgeous Trésor In Love by Lanôme (€35 for 30ml, Clerys, O'Connell St, Dublin; www.clerys.ie)

Square, Dublin 2).



◀ **Champers for less than twenty quid? Lidl has it covered with Comte de Brismand Champagne (€17.99, stores nationwide)**



Your loved one will be on a high after a one-hour flying lesson at Dublin's Weston Airport (€99, www.giftsdirect.com) ▶



◀ For a last-minute luxury break, Dublin's Dylan Hotel has a Valentine's Lovers Package — a five-star overnight deal which includes a six-course tasting menu, champagne and rose petals scattered on your bed (from €289 per room; call 01 660 3000; www.dylan.ie)



Put your best foot forward with these adorable Ladies' Valentine's Gift Socks (€2.99 per two-pack, Aldi stores nationwide).



Get her the look of love with this gorgeous 'LOVE' tile stacking ring (€13.50). Accessorize stores nationwide; www.accessorize.com



Get him to smell divine with Dior Homme Intense (€62.50 for 50ml, from Clerys, O'Connell St, Dublin, www.clerys.ie) ▼



Who wouldn't love a stylish iPod Nano (€159.99, D.I.D at Clerys, Dublin, www.clerys.ie)



The Philips Williams F1 rechargeable shaver is now less than half price (€65.54 from €134.99; in Argos stores, see www.argos.ie)



▲ A gift card worth €50 from One4all will buy the sporty man in your life a quad biking session (See www.One4allexperience.ie; gift cards can be used at 4,500 outlets nationwide)

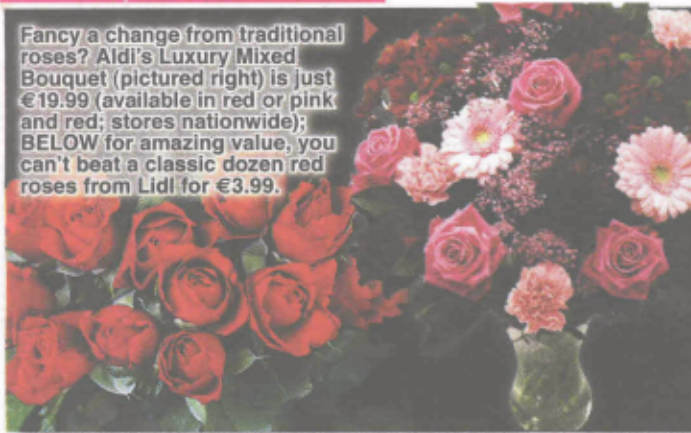


Think fake flowers aren't romantic? We beg to differ, this stunning Hervé Gambis flowers and vase will last forever (€95 at Louise Kennedy, 56 Merrion) ▶



Lingerie doesn't have to be expensive — Aldi's Ladies Sateen Nightwear (pictured above) starts at just €6.99 and features three flattering styles, including Sateen Kimono, Chemise Night Shirt or Satin/Jersey Pyjama Set (Aldi stores nationwide)

Fancy a change from traditional roses? Aldi's Luxury Mixed Bouquet (pictured right) is just €19.99 (available in red or pink and red; stores nationwide); BELOW for amazing value, you can't beat a classic dozen red roses from Lidl for €3.99.



Treat your beloved to a gift voucher from Ireland's new online luxury shoes, bags and accessories boutique — see www.theluxuryemporium.ie

Blooming great idea — get a dozen red roses delivered for just €32 from Flora Queen and earn back a percentage of what you spend at fab website www.fatcheese.ie

Choccies are a Valentine's staple — go for the gorgeous Lindt Love Heart Tin (RRP €11.99, stores nationwide)

For a delicious romantic meal, head to Roly Saul's at Dundrum

Town Centre, Dublin. The fab restaurant is not increasing its prices for the annual day of love — pre-theatre menus start at just €22.50 for two courses (Call 01 2990003 or see www.rolydundrum.ie).

Surprise your loved one with a romantic Valentine's break in

Kilkenny's four-star **Pembroke** boutique hotel. Includes candlelit dinner with bubbly. (From €159 per night; call 0567 78 3500 or see www.pembrokekilkenny.com)

Share the love with a thoughtful pressie — get a gift card from Irish charity To Russia with Love, which looks after orphaned and

abandoned children in Russia (from €20; see www.torussiawithlove.ie)

For Irish-made chocolates it doesn't get any better than Butlers — and the medium Velvet Heart Box is only €8 (Butlers Cafes and selected retail outlets nationwide)



She'll be walking on air with these helium I Love You balloons (€29 for six, www.giftsdirect.com)