



Most Romantic Location

The hotel: South Sands Hotel, Salcombe, Devon.

Why it's romantic: You really can't find a more romantic location than South Sands, a gorgeous new boutique hotel right on the beach in Salcombe. I loved the hotel's New England style with driftwood artwork and bedrooms named after sailing boats.

Our room was huge, with floor-to-ceiling windows and two freestanding baths – perfect for sipping champagne in!

What to see and do: If you're feeling energetic, take the 30-minute walk over the cliffs and around the local coves into the

heart of Salcombe, with its little boutiques, pubs and restaurants. The hotel serves amazing local seafood with an Italian twist. For Valentine's weekend, they can deliver flowers, chocolates, bubbly or DVDs to your room, as well as offering in-room treatments.

For more info: www.southsands.com or 01548 859000.

Travel: The nearest train station is Totnes. First Great Western operate 10 direct trains a day from London Paddington. Returns from £74; www.firstgreatwestern.co.uk.

Prices from: £120 for a double room with a two-night minimum stay over Valentine's weekend.

Twin baths looking out to sea? Yes, please!



Tester: Kirsty Francis, art editor, and her husband Ed



An open fire is so romantic