How to:
Plan a ROMANTIC Getaway

① Find a great place to stay — Notes:

☐ Cuddling options in your room: What would we use?
Fireplace? Hot tub or jacuzzi? Balcony? Lounger?

☐ Fun onsite activities: What do I want available onsite?
Pool? Gardens? Spa? Golf? Restaurant? Bar? Room service?

☐ A fun location: What do I want available nearby?
Beach? Hiking? Skiing? Museums? Shops? Restaurants?

☐ Comfortable price point: How much am I comfortable spending?

② Figure out the basics — Notes:

☐ Set money aside: How much? For how long?

☐ Don't keep it a *complete* surprise: Share how long we're going, expected temperatures and key items to pack.

☐ Do the research: Top area(s), places to stay, things to do.

☐ Have them narrow down the options: Their top 1 of my 3 ideas, or their top 3 of my 5 ideas (to keep it a surprise).

☐ Make the reservations: Place to stay. Key activities (when known).

☐ Take care of other logistics: Babysitter? Pet boarding?

GETAWAY OPTIONS	My Pros and Cons	My Partner's Pick(s)	WINNER!
1.		☐	☐
2.		☐	☐
3.		☐	☐
4.		☐	☐
5.		☐	☐

Notes:

③ Get your partner in the mood

Notes:

☐ Turn the getaway into a gift: Cute box? Scratch and reveal?

☐ Call it something they want: Fun? Relaxing? Adventurous? (DON'T let "romantic" slip from my mouth!)

☐ Talk about why I want to get away: What do I miss doing together, or want to try? (Take notes. Their input is GOLD!)

☐ Tell them what they mean to me: Why are they special to me?

☐ Gift something related to the getaway: A new bag, hiking boots or neck pillow? Luxurious sweater, dress or pumps?

☐ Make the countdown special: Texts at lunch or love notes in their lunch bag? Puzzle pieces?

④ Plan some things to do

Notes:

☐ Plan one activity per day that gets you out: What do we definitely want to do together?

☐ Plan a few backup activities: If weather's bad or we're up for more.

☐ Do more of what we like: What would we each love to do, together or separate? (If separate, *not* group activities without each other)

☐ Reveal a surprise in a fun way: Which activity or gift? Play "hot and cold" or "scratch and reveal"?

☐ Leave the morning free: Backup activities?

☐ Leave the evening free: Backup activities?

⑤ What to bring along

Notes:

☐ Bring activities for the room: Room amenities? Games? Books?

☐ Bring treats for the room: Special drinks? Snacks? Sweets?

☐ Give a morning gift: Breakfast in bed? Special treat? Bubble bath?

☐ Give an evening gift: Jewelry? Clothing accessory, like scarf or tie?

☐ Agree to tech terms: Set specific times to check our phones, then set to "do not disturb."

☐ Pack underwear that makes us feel sexy.

☐ Pack clothes that make us feel like superstars.

☐ Bring back the simple things: Hold hands. Open doors. Thoughtful gestures to show they're special to me.

And remember: Once your planning is done, let go! Leave room for spontaneity ... and romance.