

Sunset Sighs

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A day for hearts and flowers
Chocolate and teddy bears
Dinner, glasses of champagne
Presents wrapped in sky blue packages
Sunset sighs
All lovely ways to celebrate St Valentine's Day

I am not wealthy
Perhaps I could find chocolates
A floppy eared bunny
How I would love to see your face
Notice the golden highlights of your hair
Before the sun disappears
And goes to sleep...

On this day for lovers
I have other ideas planned
A kiss upon your hand
My arms around your waist, when we meet
A leisurely walk to my chamber
Inside this room
You will find a small table, two comfortable chairs
Antique cutlery, finest china
Glowing candlelight

Blackberry wine
Soup to warm you
A simple, yet filling main course
Your favourite pie with custard, to finish

The children have taught me to make garlands
Flowers of silk, and coloured paper
A circle of emerald green, ruby red, and sapphire blue petals
Will be placed upon your head

We share a love of words
“A Midsummer Night’s Dream”
Shakespeare’s sonnets
A book of poems, which I have penned for you...
These three books
Full of love, hope and dreams
I do hope you accept my humble, heartfelt gifts

Central Park will be sleeping
When it is time for you to go home
Your hand in mine
We will listen to the wind in the trees
The sounds of our city
I shall look at you
Beautiful in the moonlight...
Will I hold you close?
Your lips, shall they call?
I do not know
But I have dreamt of this often
You and I
Beneath a starlit sky
A night of beauty awaits, my Love
Come swiftly
Valentine’s Day