

A FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC WITH...

With this big holiday just around the corner, we asked your favorite guys how they'd like to spend a Fourth of July picnic with YOU!



DONNY: There's something about the Fourth of July that brings certain visions to mind. Fireworks, of course, but more than that, the idea that families are always together on the Fourth having fun. On my special picnic with you, I'd want us to share all the joys of being with my family—eating fried chicken and corn on the cob until we couldn't eat another bite, laying together under a shady tree until we fell asleep, then waking you with a gentle kiss and dashing off to play touch football or Frisbee with the whole gang. Then, while the kids delighted at the fireworks show, we'd make our own fireworks just holding hands and sneaking kisses while the sky exploded above us!

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DAVID: Every year at Huntington Beach there's a fantastic fireworks show put on by the city. If I could plan a perfect day with you, I'd pick you up early for a drive along the coast as the sun peeked up over the cliffs at Palos Verdes. We'd walk along the beach while the fog slipped away and then run back to the car for a drive further down the coast. We'd buy hot dogs and Cokes at the stands along the pier and play all the nickel pinball machines at the Arcade. Before leaving we'd ride the merry-go-round and maybe just sit a while watching all the children at play. As the afternoon turned into evening, we'd build a fire on the beach and wait for all the exciting shows of colors to light up the sky. But my perfect day with you wouldn't end until we'd shared our last loving kiss at your doorstep.



MICHAEL GRAY: The Fourth of July was made for picnics and gatherings of friends, but on a hot summer day, the parks seem to overflow with people, so that's why I would pick a private picnic for two! The excitement would start the night before as we loaded up our day packs with salami and cheese and homemade bread. We'd carry tropical fruit juices in our canteens and when I'd pick you up in the early morning hours we could drive to an inviting spot in the back woods. We'd hike through the lush trees and by the rushing streams. Before lunch we'd dive into a chilling stream and dry off in the sun as we devoured our delicious lunch. The hike back would be just as thrilling as we'd see deer and chipmunks scurrying through the wilderness. Our day wouldn't have fireworks and patriotic speeches, but it would remind us of the beauty of our wonderful country!