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# The 5 places to not celebrate Valentine's Day

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Whitman & Bloom (left) and The Muse Hotel (right) are among the places offering a single-friendly scene on Valentine's Day.

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If the barrage of heart pendants and prix-fixe menus for Valentine's Day repulse you as a singleton, good news: You may be unattached, but you're not alone. According to a recent survey commissioned by Outback Steakhouse, "33% of Americans who responded have celebrated an 'anti' Valentine's Day." (In fact, the backlash blooms to 52% among millennials.) To wit, this Friday venues all around the city are hosting events and specials for the stag set. Here are five:

## Meat cute



The Meatball Shop is offer patrons "Be Mine" shots on Friday.

Photo: David Rosenzweig (left)

Never ones to shy away from a double-entendre, the Meatball Shop is inviting singles to "meat their match" at the Single Jingle Mingle, a party being held at 9 p.m. at Underballs, the bar located beneath their Chelsea outpost. Get loose with "Be Mine" vodka shots (\$2) and "Meat Lovers" cocktails (\$5). Get down with beats curated by MC Tasty Balls, aka chef and co-owner Daniel Holzman.

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