

LOVE LETTERS

**we're the ones who will love fiercely,
even if quietly**

It is worth acknowledging that stories about queer individuals, particularly queer partnerships and queer love, often exclude depictions of domesticity. Without them, the idea of having a safe, supportive, partnership can feel like an impossible possibility.

This piece is a testament to how that isn't always the case.

For x, thank you for loving me loudly, and letting me hold your heart in return. I wish I had done everything on Earth with you, too.

09.29.2022

“You’re so smart and kind and loved. Grateful to share this time of my life with you in this place.”

12.10.2022

“I’m proud of you. Not in that you made it home, but just in general. I didn’t say that and it’s worth saying. This year was tough but look at all the good you did and friends you made and impact you had. Very proud of you. Love you, miss you, be safe.”

01.19.2023

“Thanks for making my heart ache a little less.”

01.26.2023

“Days with you in them tend to be better than those without

01.27.2023

“I am trying new things for you. That’s what friends do. They try new things to be better for the people they care about. I’m trying to learn to speak your love language.”

01.30.2023

“I want to just drive the 2 minutes to your house, but I don’t want to make this harder for you...and I think I kinda already have. But if you asked, I would.”

02.07.2023

“Whatever label; thanks for being a person who makes me feel safe. The person I call when I’m scared. The one I always want to talk to and be around – someone who is easy to love. My life wouldn’t be what it is right now without you in it. And I feel grateful – and that helps me feel calm, because I feel safe, loved, seen, and protected. You make me feel held and free. So, thank you.”

02.11.2023

“Life feels more alive with you. You make everything better.

02.13.2023

“I’m just grateful to love you.”

02.14.2023

“Thanks for saying hi. You look pretty.”

03.03.2023

“You know how you asked me where I feel anxiety in my body yesterday? I have felt love all day – and I feel it all over. Head to toe. Thanks to you. And I wanted you to know.”

03.12.2023

“You have my heart, always.”

03.14.2023

“Goodnight, best friend, soulmate, love of my life...I love you very much. Prayers for a healthier and happier tomorrow for us both.”

03.16.2023

“Grateful to be yours and call you mine.”

03.24.2023

“I love you in the morning and at night. You’re the last thing I think of and the first thing I think of.”

03.27.2023

“You keep finding new ways to make my heart skip a beat.”

03.28.2023

“You’re always on my brain and heart.”

04.16.2023

“Not everything has to last forever to be meaningful and I know I’ll be in your life forever in some way. For as long as we can be this. I love being yours and having you be mine.”

05.01.2023

“I am learning how to love and be loved by being your partner. Thank you for giving me that gift.”

05.13.2023

“Hi, I blushed 70 miles away. Coincidentally, you’re also my favorite person. That feels lucky, doesn’t it?”

05.17.2023

“The daydream pales in comparison to you.”

05.23.2023

“Your heart is so good. I know that you’re good. Spiritually. Physically. Emotionally. Mentally. You are good. Your love is good. Your love is holy. I know that with certainty.”

05.25.2023

“I am your love. And I am so happy to be so. And you’re my love, my heart.”

05.31.2023

“Calling you mine doesn’t get old. Happy to be yours.”

06.01.2023

“I don’t know about alternate universes but I’m pretty sure every single version of me in every single timeline wants you. All of them. Still got my fingers crossed that this timeline is the one where we both can stay.”

06.04.2023

“I love you, I love you, I love you – what a blessing to get to be the one to say that to you.”

06.15.2023

“I need to go, but I feel your love with me today – which sounds cheesy, but I just feel very loved and warm and hope you do too.”

07.19.2023

“I was born to find you.”

07.26.2023

“I’m always and forever yours as long as you’ll have me.”

07.28.2023

“I don’t plan on falling in love with anyone else; you’re the one for me.”

08.07.2023

“I woke up today feeling even more in love with you.”

09.16.2023

“Not to be cheesy or anything, but what are you doing for the rest of your life? Because I want to feel this way with you always.”

10.25.2023

“I miss you, I’ve said it many many times but dang. I see people with wedding rings and it makes me miss my girl. I see people holding hands and it makes me miss my girl. Everything I see makes me miss you.”

02.18.2024

“You were the person I wanted to keep talking to and never stop.”

03.04.2024

“Thank you for making my life brighter. For helping me become funnier because I love to hear you laugh, more confident because I know you’ll be there to catch me if I fall, and more thoughtful about what love is because you’ve shown me so many wonderful things that love can be....With your hand in mine, I can do anything, we can be anything. But all I want to be, yesterday, 365 days ago, today, tomorrow, and always, is yours.”