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How Did Flowers and Lace Join Valentine's Day?

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Most of the items linked to Valentine's Day come from old-fashioned customs that used lace handkerchiefs and floral bouquets to pass on non-verbal messages. When the custom went out of style for everyday use, the original meaning was lost and eventually they became part of the Valentine tradition.

The **rose** has become the traditional Valentine's Day flower. The red rose is known as the flower of passion and love. It has always been a popular flower. **Lace** has always been part of women's handkerchiefs and it has since been linked to romance. **Cupid** is the son of the Goddess of Love and is always part of celebrating love. The **heart** is linked to Valentine's Day because it was once considered the source of all human emotions. The symbol progressed to become known as a sign of love. **Doves** are also part of the tradition. They are symbols of love and loyalty because they mate for life. A **love knot** is a symbol of everlasting love because its winding loops have no beginning or end. Why does an **X** mean a kiss? In early time people couldn't read or write. When they had to sign a document, they would make an X and then kiss it to show they were trustworthy. Have a very special day and Happy Valentine's Day to all!



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