# Sucker for Love: a Journey Through Unusual Dating Sims

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## No kink / anything shaming!

This is about interesting concepts narrative choices.

Making fun of people's preferences is neither implied nor endorsed.

#### ... What's a Dating Sim?

- Computer game, Simulates Dating
  - a. Impress / flirt with your crush
  - b. Work on yourself (details vary)
  - c. Do good?
  - d. They like you (details vary)
- Significant overlap with interactive pornography
- Formula, been around since 1980s

Formula  $\rightarrow$  suitable for subversion!





# Time For a Tour

#### Doki Doki Literature Club



**Psychological Horror / Augmented Reality Game** 

#### Hatoful Boyfriend



Date Birds (also a complex thriller intrigue)

#### I Love You Colonel Sanders! (That Time KFC Made One)



### Monster Prom (title says it all really)



#### The Ratchelor



#### **Speed Dating for Ghosts**



#### Chair F\*cking Simulator (this might be the most cursed)



#### Date Everything!



#### Yandere Simulator (maybe don't play this one)



... what about Sucker for Love?

### First Off, It's 2 Dating Sims





# Game 1

#### Sucker for Love: First Date

By day (er, night) you are D, a successful nightclub Host. By night (er, day) you are a cultist with one obsession:

To summon and then "smooch" the Eldritch Ones.



Many counterfeits later, you buy a suspicious pink book of rituals. Surprisingly, it works.

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- Dating is an occult doomsday ritual
- Challenge: don't go insane and/or die before "smooching"
  - a. Environment hazards
  - b. Ritual / puzzle challenges
  - c. Inevitable path of self- and world- destruction

#### **Characters:**

- 1. D (player, nightclub Host)
- 2. Ln'eta (feminized Cthulu)
- 3. Estir (feminized King in Yellow / Hastur / ?)
- 4. Nyanlahotep (Nyarlahotep w/ cat ears + tail)





# Game 2





#### OBJECTIVE: PERFORM 'SUMMON THE ALL-MOTHER' RITUAL



SUMMON THE ALL-MOTHER

ITEMS

This entity is a benign preserver of life, and cannot harm you. However, no contact with eldritch gods is completely safe.

To summon her, do the following:

- o Douse any lit candles
- o Ensure there is an Idol of the Black Goat present somewhere in the room.
- o Have a plant mister with you.
- o While facing a Tree of the Black Woods, chant her name:

Rhok'zan Selva Oscura

(Click and drag from the first letter to the end of the phrase to chant. Slowly.)

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