

THE LUXE LEDGER VOL. 9 | FEBRUARY EDITION

“Hearts, Heritage, & Health”

February is here.

The month of love, legacy, and honoring history.

It's a season for affection in all its forms. Be it romantic love, self-love, family love, or community love.

And it's also Black History Month. A powerful reminder of the brilliance, resilience, creativity, and contributions of Black pioneers, innovators, artists, and everyday legacy-builders who continue to shape our world.

This month, I invite you to celebrate not just Valentine's Day, but love in every heartbeat and Black excellence in every story worth honoring.

Now listen...

February is not just another month on the calendar. It's Black History Month, and baby, it's a whole celebration of brilliance, resilience, culture, and legacy.

It's about honoring the shoulders we stand on and the stories that still deserve center stage. And THE BEST PART?

Here are a few cute and meaningful ways to tap in this month:



Go be cultured. Visit a museum like the California African American Museum (caamuseum.org), The Getty Center – “Photography and the Black Arts Movement, 1955–1985” (February 24–June 14, 2026), or cultural center featuring Black History Month exhibits. Let yourself learn something new and feel inspired while you're at it.



Shop from Black-owned businesses—Nappily Naturals for instance. Whether it's beauty, fashion, food, or wellness, pouring back into our community is always in style.



Feed your mind. Pick up a book, listen to a podcast, or watch a documentary highlighting Black leaders, innovators, and creatives. Then share it with somebody you love. Knowledge hits different when you pass it forward.



Pull up to community events. Workshops, panels, performances, or local celebrations. Being present in these spaces is how culture stays alive and thriving.

Because Black history isn't just about looking back, it's about celebrating who we are right now and who we're still becoming. And honestly? That deserves flowers every single time. Then comes **Valentine's Day on 14th February.**

February tries to convince us that love is all candlelit dinners and matching outfits on Instagram. And while we absolutely love a cute moment, real love runs deeper than that.

Love is how you show up.

Love is how you pour into people

Love is how you treat yourself when nobody's watching.

Whether you're boo'd up, single and glowing, or celebrating your ride-or-dies, here's your reminder: Love is not just a feeling. Say it with me:

It's an ACTION.

LOVE TIP OF THE MONTH:

Give someone your undivided attention. Put the phone down. Make eye contact. Write a little note. Tell somebody you appreciate them out loud.

That kind of love?

It stays with people forever.

And yes... that includes YOU too.

LUXE DATE NIGHT IDEA:

Keep it simple. Keep it meaningful. Keep it soft.

Start with a cozy dinner, at home or out somewhere, that makes you feel fancy. Throw on a slow jam playlist.

Then end the night by writing a love note...

...to your partner

...to your best friend

...or to yourself. Because self-love is always top-tier.

Trust me, there is something powerful about putting LOVE INTO WORDS.

It hits different.

TALK BACK CORNER!

Before we close this chapter, I want to hear from YOU. Because your stories always inspire me right back- so tell me

'Your Valentine Win Check-In'

What was your biggest win the one that made your heart say "I did that"?
And what place is calling your name for your loved ones?

DM me, or tag **@abroadpodcasts** or **@queenshanshan**.

I'll be featuring a few in January's edition because your wins deserve a spotlight too.

See You Honey!

On the event of Valentine, my heart is full. Full of gratitude for healing. Full of love for everyone who supported my work, or simply kept me in their thoughts.

I'm wishing you health, mobility, joy, and a passport that never stays empty for long. Take this season to breathe.

To rest.

To dream.

To imagine a version of yourself that feels even more alive in 2026.

- With love & a fresh passport page, Queen ShanShan

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DRAYA

After a six-month hiatus...

I'm finally back behind the mic, and baby, this comeback hits different. Following my full knee replacement surgery and the long road of recovery, I return with clarity, gratitude, and truth you don't want to miss.

Black History Month and self-love season deserved a powerhouse voice. So we brought back Sharon Williams from Nappily Naturals!

Sharon brings heart, wisdom, and transformative truth to every conversation. She talks about business breakthroughs, spiritual growth, cultural empowerment, and what it means to love yourself fiercely, especially when the world tries to define your narrative.

Growth. Healing. Resilience. And a whole lot of real talk.

That's the truth we're living this February.



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ShanInsure Corner:

Insuring Your Children: Why It Matters Now

Protecting your loved ones is an act of love, and that includes planning for tomorrow today. Life insurance for children isn't just optional; there are real financial and emotional benefits to securing it early.

Here's why parents are choosing coverage for their kids:

- Locks in insurability early: No worries about future medical changes
- Affordable coverage now: Premiums are often lower when children are young.
- Can build cash value: Some policies grow over time and serve as a financial tool later in life.
- Peace of mind: Emotional and financial security for your family, no matter what.

Quick Tip: Even if coverage isn't urgent today, a conversation now can set your family up with protection and financial flexibility later.

Need a consultation or review? Visit shaninsure.com anytime or shoot me an email at shannon.langhorne@shaninsure.com Let's make sure the ones you love most are protected.



THE LOVE POTION SIP OF THE MONTH

Because this month calls for a sweet mix of **romance + chill vibes.**

Ingredients:

- 1.5 oz Raspberry-infused vodka
- 1 oz St. Germain Elderflower Liqueur
- 1 oz Fresh grapefruit juice
- Splash of sparkling rosé
- Garnish: Raspberries + edible rose petals

How to Make:

1. Shake vodka, St. Germain, and grapefruit juice with ice.
2. Strain into a chilled glass.
3. Top with sparkling rosé.
4. Add raspberries + petals and sip slowly.



Non-Alcoholic Twist:

Replace vodka with grapefruit sparkling water + a dash of raspberry syrup.

Talk Back Corner!

Before we wrap, I want to hear from you! So, tell me:

'YOUR LOVE STORIES'

- What act of love are you most proud of this February?
- How are you celebrating Black history in your world?

DM me, tag @abroadpodcasts or @queenshanshan, or reply right here I'll be sharing a few in the March edition. Your stories deserve to be spotlighted!

ROMANTIC RIDDLE

LET'S SEE IF YOU'RE REALLY A LOVER

Alright now... before you sip that cocktail and text your boo, let's test your romantic knowledge a little bit.

I'm something you can give without spending a dime,
I grow the more you share me, and I last through time.
What am I?

Send your guesses my way! One Luxe Reader will get a shout-out in next month's edition and bragging rights, of course.



WITH LOVE, LEGACY & LUXE ENERGY

Hey Broad, as we wrap up this February edition, remember this: love isn't just a day on the calendar. It's a choice, a practice, and a whole lifestyle.

Celebrate yourself. Celebrate your community. Celebrate the history, the culture, the joy, and the people who lift you higher.

Take time to breathe, to rest, to laugh, and to pour love into every corner of your life, whether it's a handwritten note, a meaningful conversation, or simply showing up for yourself.

HERE'S TO FEBRUARY.

Carry this energy forward, and let's keep rising together.

With love, gratitude, and a full heart

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