

# GUIDES

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## Happy-Making Presents

Put a smile on the face of your favorite host, dad, grad, or newlywed.

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### BRIGHT LIGHTS

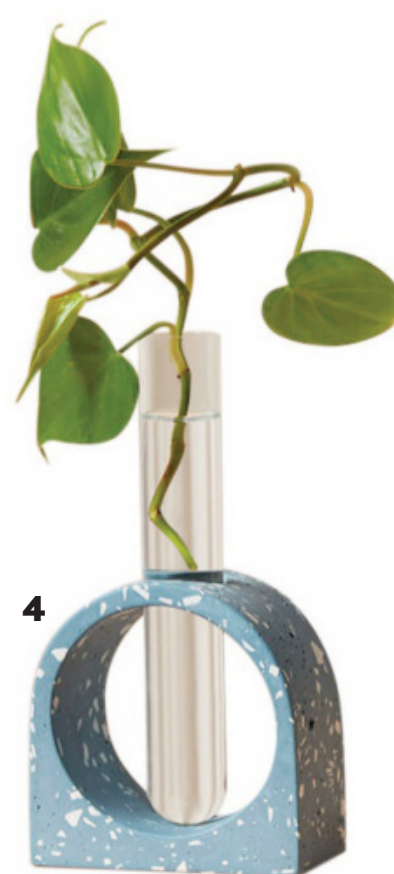
These candy-colored candles don't require holders and are no-drip—a huge perk for the entertainer *and* their table. **TO BUY:** Cone Candles, \$20 for 2; [store.moma.org](http://store.moma.org).



# For the Hosts



Hang a few of these stoneware strands for ambient music worthy of a spa.



## 1 MODERN WIND CHIME

As the warm breeze moves the clay disks, they create a soundtrack of summer.

**TO BUY:** Ceramic Chimes, from \$36; [fettleandfire.com](http://fettleandfire.com).

## 2 SOOTHING SOAPS

Send a set of small-batch soaps crafted with plant-based oils and scented with lavender, lemon, and more. **TO BUY:** Favorites Box Set, \$36 for 4; [thegirlinthegarden.com](http://thegirlinthegarden.com).

## 3 DOLLY PUZZLE

After working 9 to 5, they can kick back and assemble a depiction of the beloved American icon. **TO BUY:** Dolly Parton 500 Piece Puzzle, \$24; [nathanandco.com](http://nathanandco.com).

## 4 A NEW LEAF

Give this propagation kit to the plant whisperer who you're convinced can grow a forest from a blade of grass. **TO BUY:** Arch Propagation Kit, \$35; [bloomscape.com](http://bloomscape.com).

## 5 STAND-UP ACT

You'll be known as the hero who took Taco Tuesday to new heights with this clever server. **TO BUY:** Bamboo Taco Tray, \$22; [greatusefulstuff.com](http://greatusefulstuff.com).

## 6 GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING

Forgo the flowers and offer something that can literally bear fruit—olives, mangoes, or avocados—by next summer. **TO BUY:** Fruit Tree, from \$50; [plantogram.com](http://plantogram.com).

## 7 POUR FAVOR

A serious upgrade from a plastic juice jug, this serves up sangria in summer and hot cider all fall. **TO BUY:** Clara Glass Jug, from \$40; [chizu.store.com](http://chizu.store.com).

## 8 UPSCALE SET

Stacked, they're a cool fish sculpture. Loose, they're pretty cups for the bar cart. **TO BUY:** Koi Stacking Glasses, \$55; [blueribbongeneralstore.com](http://blueribbongeneralstore.com).



# For the Dads

## 1 ON LOCATION

Film buffs and design experts can ogle over 200 real-life structures that seem straight out of a Wes Anderson movie. **TO BUY:** *Accidentally Wes Anderson*, \$35; blueribbongeneralstore.com.

## 2 LIQUID ASSET

A cold beer in a hot shower is what a weekend warrior needs. This holder suctions to tile for next-level relaxation. **TO BUY:** Shower Drink Holder, \$15; bespokepost.com.

## 3 SLIDE SHOW

Adjustable slip-ons have impact-absorbing foam for the sole (and are machine washable, for the nose). **TO BUY:** OOahh Sport Flex Sandal, \$80; oofos.com.

## 4 POINT TAKEN

For the dad who's notorious for misplacing, well, everything, this creates a dedicated drop spot. **TO BUY:** Find Me Arrow, \$10; kikkerland.com.

## 5 VEGGED-UP MEAT

Pops will want seconds of these veggie-packed links, in flavors like Chicken Parm and Loaded Baked Potato. **TO BUY:** Sausages, \$57 for 16; eatseemore.com.

## 6 A FINE PRINT

If he's outdoorsy and designy, get him a minimalist print honoring his favorite national park. **TO BUY:** Travel Poster by Granite Press, from \$35; granitepress.etsy.com.

## 7 SORE WINNER

After a hard workout, this massager will work even harder to relieve tense muscles. **TO BUY:** NordicTrack Personal Massage Gun, \$100; kohls.com.

## 8 HOT WHEELS

When he gets home from off-roading, this stylish "sock" will keep his bike from tracking dirt everywhere. **TO BUY:** Indoor Bike Cover, \$70; velosock.com.

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These spots only look like dollhouses—they're actually life-size.

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## GIVE AN EXPERIENCE

Send Dad skiing or rock climbing through 57hours, a platform that connects activity guides all over the world with adventure seekers.

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# For the Grads



**1 IN STITCHES**  
A little cross-stitch kit makes it “dorm sweet dorm” and will chase away the homesick blues. **TO BUY:** Alphabet Stitch Kit by Cotton Clara, \$35; letterfolk.com.

**2 TINY VACUUM**  
With three nozzle options, this petite powerhouse suctions up crumbs from a keyboard and reaches under a bed. **TO BUY:** Rechargeable Mini Vacuum, \$149; store.moma.org.

**3 SLEEK KNAPSACK**  
When rolled up, this lightweight book bag is smaller than the burrito your kid wolfed down for lunch. **TO BUY:** Lightpack, \$55; someonesomewhere.com.

**4 HOUSE PLANS**  
Fledglings stepping out into the real world—and their own spaces—will appreciate the many tips for setting up a stylish home. **TO BUY:** *How to Make a House a Home* by Ariel Kaye, \$23; penguinrandomhouse.com.

**5 SHARE THE TEA**  
Welcome them to adulthood with the grown-up flavor of chai. **TO BUY:** Soul Chai Powder, from \$17.50; shopyowie.com.

**6 ON THE CLOCK**  
They’ll look professional their first day on the job with a dainty smartwatch. It delivers health stats and displays texts. **TO BUY:** Lily Smartwatch, from \$200; garmin.com.

**7 BUNDLE OF ENERGY**  
Good vibes only! These cushions are filled with crystals and buckwheat for calming comfort during exam week. **TO BUY:** Meditation Pillows, \$75 each; food52.com.

**8 STRINGS ATTACHED**  
On campus, they can travel light—with just a phone—thanks to a silicone case with removable straps. **TO BUY:** Modular Silicone Case + Rope, \$69; xouxou.com.

**GIVE AN EXPERIENCE**

Keep their mental health from taking a backseat with Real (join-real.com), an app offering therapist-led events and one-on-one appointments for \$28 a month.

These display-worthy tins each have 50 servings of chai powder.



# For the Newlyweds

## 1 KEEP IT 100

This scratch-off poster of must-see hits is a passion project to pursue from the sofa. (Nobody puts *Dirty Dancing* in a corner!)

**TO BUY:** 100 Movies to See Poster, \$20; [blueribbongeneralstore.com](http://blueribbongeneralstore.com).

## 2 MINI BREAKFAST

This small but mighty space saver cooks the cutest treats for brunching lovebirds. **TO BUY:** Dash Heart Mini Waffle Maker, \$10; [bedbathandbeyond.com](http://bedbathandbeyond.com).

## 3 YOU NAME IT!

Celebrate their new surname with a preppy, personalized doormat. **TO BUY:** Gingham Indoor Mat, \$69; [markandgraham.com](http://markandgraham.com).

## 4 CHARCUTERIE TO GO

This waxed-canvas tote carries two wine bottles and some cheeses—perfect for a romantic picnic. **TO BUY:** Insulated Double Wine & Cheese Bag, \$70; [westelm.com](http://westelm.com).

## 5 LUXE LINEN

Honeymooners can bring along this handmade silk blankie, which packs down to almost nothing. **TO BUY:** Raw Silk Beach Throw, \$140; [youreupstate.com](http://youreupstate.com).

## 6 LITTLE HOUSE

Commemorate their cohabitation with sweet leather key covers. **TO BUY:** House Key Topper, from \$12; [stitchandshutter.com](http://stitchandshutter.com).

## 7 PRETTY PETALS

Commission paper art that recreates their wedding flowers. **TO BUY:** Personalized Bouquet Art, \$120; [uncommongoods.com](http://uncommongoods.com).

## 8 KISSING CUPPAS

Cheers to the couple who sip from smooching mugs every morning. **TO BUY:** The Kissing Mugs, \$65; [uncommongoods.com](http://uncommongoods.com).

