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The Holiday Gift Giving Guide

Have trouble finding that perfect present for that special someone? Let this Holiday Gift Giving Guide help you find a gift for everyone on your holiday shopping list!



FOR KIDS - GIFTS | EXPERIENCES | HOMECRAFTED

-  Gifts — Look for locally made or made-in-Canada toys. Support local businesses and cut down on transportation emissions.
-  Experiences — Give gifts you can do together. Create activity kits for magic tricks, baking, or mask-making. Or encourage nature exploration by bundling together a set of binoculars, a recording journal, and a magnifying glass!
-  Homecrafted — Create a dress up box using vintage fabrics and trunks. Make one-of-a-kind crowns, animal ears, or capes using materials around the house. The sky's the limit!






GIFT IDEA: Consider the lifecycle of a toy car

HOMECRAFTED IDEAS: DIY crowns from fabric scraps



FOR ADVENTURERS - GIFTS | EXPERIENCES | HOMECRAFTED

-  Gifts — Check out your local used sporting goods store to find amazing bargains. Look for items with logos of favourite sports teams. Grab hiking enthusiasts some durable gear: A compass, a Swiss army knife, or a book of local hiking trails.
-  Experiences — Try tickets to a local sporting event, outdoor skating rink, or a certificate for snowshoe rental. Many local mountains also have discount or late night options for winter sports such as skiing and snowboarding.
-  Homecrafted — Whip up a batch of homemade granola for their adventures, or some bath salts to relax muscles after a long day.






GIFT IDEA: A Book of Hiking Trails

HOMECRAFT IDEA: Make your own bath salts



FOR GADGET GEEKS - GIFTS | EXPERIENCES | HOMECRAFTED

-  Gifts — Before buying that tablet or smartphone, check out a guide to greener electronics to see how your favorite companies stack up.
-  Experiences — Give the gift of learning. Many courses and guides are now available online.
-  Homecrafted — Create a song playlist, or make an online photobook or photo collage.






GIFT IDEA: [Learn about repairable and ethically sourced electronics.](#)

EXPERIENCE IDEA: Sign up online for cooking school

HOMECRAFT IDEA: 15 Gifts that Cost Nothing



FOR GOURMANDS - GIFTS | EXPERIENCES | HOMECRAFTED

-  Gifts — Find them a cookbook written by a local chef or restaurateur. Buy a potted herb such as rosemary, basil or bay leaf to have in their kitchen and use all year round.
-  Experiences — Sign them up for a cooking class, or a local food or brewery tour.
-  Homecrafted — Put together a basket of their favorite cheeses, wines and dips that are locally made. Splurge on a package of foods from local growers.



GIFT IDEA: A BC Cookbook based on local food

EXPERIENCE IDEA: Book A Vancouver Food Tour

HOMECRAFT IDEA: Shop Local Farmers Markets



FOR BOOK WORMS - GIFTS | EXPERIENCES | HOMECRAFTED

-  Gifts — Support small businesses by buying from local and used book stores. Consider buying books on the local environment or on gardening.
-  Experiences — Go to a local writers' festival or workshop together. See if local theatres are playing a movie or play based on their favorite books.
-  Homecrafted — Make your own clay word fridge magnets or personalized bookmarks.



GIFT IDEA: Visit a used or indie BC bookstore

EXPERIENCE IDEA: Check out some BC Writer Festivals

HOMECRAFT IDEA: DIY Clay Fridge Magnets



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