

The Ultimate Gift-Buying Checklist

Your simple plan for thoughtful gifting: who to shop for, what to give, and how much to spend.

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Before You Shop

- Set your total gift budget for the season or occasion.
- Make a complete list of everyone you're shopping for.
- Note key dates and deadlines: birthdays, holidays, and shipping cut-offs.
- Decide on a comfortable budget range for each person.
- Discreetly confirm sizes, colors, and current favorites.
- Start a running list of gift ideas as inspiration strikes.
- Check for sales, coupon codes, and cash-back offers before you buy.
- Pick where you'll wrap and store gifts so nothing gets lost.

GET IT RIGHT

Questions to Find the Perfect Gift

- What are they into right now: hobbies, shows, little obsessions?
- What have they mentioned wanting, or quietly needing?
- A keepsake to treasure, or something they'll happily use up?
- Would an experience mean more to them than an object?
- A small luxury they'd love but never buy for themselves?
- An inside joke or shared memory you could nod to?

WHO & WHAT

Gift Recipient Tracker

One row per person. Jot the occasion, your idea, and a budget, then tick it off once it's bought.

| Name | Occasion | Gift Idea | Budget | Bought |
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A little tip

Keep gift receipts in one envelope or email folder so returns and exchanges stay easy – and snap a photo of this page to keep your list in your pocket while you shop.

Don't-Forget Wrapping Checklist

- Wrapping paper or gift bags
- Tissue paper & ribbon
- Gift tags & a nice pen
- Greeting cards (and stamps, if mailing)
- Tape & scissors
- Batteries, if the gift needs them
- Gift receipts tucked inside
- A thoughtful handwritten note

Beat the shipping rush

Order early – carrier cut-off dates sneak up fast around the holidays. When in doubt, give yourself a few extra days for delivery, returns, and last-minute surprises.

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