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# Shop LOCAL

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great gift ideas for the holiday  
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THIS IS THE FOURTH DECEMBER that *Bloom Magazine* has presented a holiday shopping guide. But this year is different. This year we are in the midst of the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. As in the past, our guide includes gifts only from locally owned, independent stores. We've always felt that supporting Bloomington retailers was important—that the people who own and work in these stores are vested in this community, are concerned about the environment here (schools, culture, infrastructure, the air we breathe), and care about our future. But now, in this economic climate, there are even more reasons to support our own. ❁ Small local businesses are the nation's largest employer and provide the most new jobs. ❁ For every \$100 spent in a locally owned, independent store, \$68 returns to the community; spend \$100 in a national chain and only \$43 stays here; and when you buy on the Internet or from a catalogue, no money remains in Bloomington. ❁ In this year's guide, we have also included many gifts made right here in Monroe County, by artists, craftspeople, and manufacturers. They are wonderful Hoosier gifts, and for sure you won't find them at the big box stores. ❁ So, I hope you enjoy reading the guide, that you find some great gifts, and that you "shop until you drop"—right here in our town. —*the editor*



# Mothers SISTERS & WIVES

**Discrete shoulder bags** in soft geometric prints come in graduated sizes that will hold a passport, a journal, or a sketchbook. Relish, \$33-62.

She has always wanted **diamond-cluster stud earrings**. One-half to one carat. Williams Jewelry, \$695-1,250.

First published in 1961 and long out of print, *Rural Free: A Farmwife's Almanac of Country Living* by Rachel Peden has been reprinted by IU Press. "She rejoiced in every phase of the turning year," says Bloomington author Scott Russell Sanders on the back cover. Monroe County History Center, \$19.95.

A slouchy open-front **black sequin vest** can go directly from work to a holiday party. b boutique, \$39.

**Pandora charm bracelets** are quite the craze. She can begin with a basic bracelet, then gradually add charms and beads from a vast selection of shapes and colors. Gold Casters Fine Jewelry, bracelets from \$35, charms \$25-85.

**Petunia Pickle Bottom diaper bags** are made of chic tapestry brocades and are convertible from shoulder strap to backpack. O'Child Children's Boutique, \$167.

**1 Satiny-soft jackets** with strong geometric patterns will put sparks into a winter day. Different Drummer Gifts & Antiques, \$95-195.

**Silver, gemstone, and fossil jewelry** by Marilyn Greenwood of Clear Creek, Indiana, will make an unforgettable gift. By Hand Gallery, \$50-750.

The newly designed **tote bag from The Kinsey Institute** has an image from their vast collection—a slightly risqué early-20th-century bathing beauty in sweet hand-painted color. The Kinsey Institute Shop, under \$20.

**A necklace, hand-knotted with tiny fragments of coral**, is one of many unique pieces of internationally made jewelry to choose from. à propos gifts and jewelry, prices vary.

**Cotton dishtowels printed with stylish graphics** will add a dash of class to any kitchen. Accent on Interiors, \$14.

**Chunky bead and wood necklaces** are perfect for the woman who likes striking, festive accessories. Wandering Turtle Art Gallery & Gifts, \$60-95.

**Lux ambre spritzers** create a yummy scent for body or home, and the bottle lasts for 900 sprays. b boutique, \$64.

**Whetstone Woodenware of Silver Lake, Indiana**, makes spoons, dip-pers, tongs, and skimmers out of smooth, patinated maple. Goods for Cooks, \$9-30.

**2 Stickpins shaped like dragonflies**, owls, and butterflies are made of horn and will hold any shawl or scarf securely in place. Yarns Unlimited, \$20.

Regional artist Amy Millspaugh's **small hand-painted Anything Dishes** can be used for, well, anything. Wandering Turtle, \$26.

**Sparkly holiday party clothes** and accessories like a sequin top, sleek leather gloves, a satin evening bag, or a silk scarf are exactly what she is hoping for. Tivoli Fashions, prices vary.

Ah, the luxury of black and gray striped **cashmere knee socks**. InSeam Denim Supply, \$16.

She can publicly proclaim her love of the needle arts with "knit happy" products—**denim shirts, sweatshirts, bags, travel mugs, note pads, and sticky notes**—all stamped with a smiling sheep logo. In a Yarn Basket, \$4-26.

Raquelle Bianco's unusual **silver and enameled jewelry** is designed for high-fashion wear. Gold Casters, \$99 and up.

Elves, crowns, and magic carpets—even chain maille. *Fairy Tale Knits: 32 Projects to Knit Happily Ever After*, by Indiana author Alison Stewart-Guinee, has patterns for making fantasy wearables and toys for children and teens. Yarns Unlimited, \$25.

**Soft woven ombre scarves** will match any outfit. Rebecca & Me, \$38.

**Bridgedale women's insulated socks** are meant for backpacking and mountaineering but will keep her feet warm on those long treks across campus or just around the house. J.L. Waters Adventure Outfitters, \$20.

**3 Classic Geiger jackets**, made in Austria of boiled wool, come in many colors and cuts and are always in style. Tivoli Fashions, \$237 and up.

From a big **sewing machine** like the computerized Bernina 830, to its little sister the Bernette 46 by Bernina, your favorite sewer will love having state-of-the-art technology. Shiisa Quilts, prices vary.

**Diamonds and other precious gems** are set in narrow 14-karat gold bands and look great when stacked on her finger. Victor Settle Jewelry, \$200 and up.

Add a punch of color to her outfit with a **basket-weave clutch** in maroon, black, turquoise, or gray. b boutique, \$48.

**4 A beaded blouse or lace-topped dress** will make her sparkle. Cactus Flower, \$54-98.

**Knitting bags made of animal-friendly materials** by Namaste come in assorted colors and shapes and have pockets for holding every needle and notion a knitter might need. Tuck a few of Marla Dawson's Bloomington-made beaded stitch markers inside. Yarns Unlimited, \$50-175, stitch markers 2 for \$6.

Whether she would like to tackle a **full-size quilt or make just one block at a time**, a kit will get her started. Choose florals, geometrics, or a crimson and cream IU heirloom that will warm knees on the coldest game days. Shiisa Quilts, \$10 and up.

**5 A black lacquered jewelry box** with inlaid glass mosaic top is elegant enough to hold her best bling. Elements, \$145.

The **Addi Click interchangeable circular knitting needle set** comes in a slick black box with ten sizes of shiny aluminum needles. In a Yarn Basket, \$150.

**6 Panache ZAK! lightweight mixing bowls** come in sets of four with carnival colors, and are made from recycled materials. Pair the set with Gormac heat-resistant melamine kitchen utensils. Inner Chef, bowl set \$50, utensils \$3-6.

Master dyer Robin J. Edmundson of Solsberry, Indiana, produces **luxurious polychromatic yarns** of cotton, bamboo, rayon, and silk. Yarns Unlimited, \$6-40 per skein.

What woman does not need an **oversize shoulder bag** with lots of pockets inside and out. In aubergine or chocolate brown. b boutique, \$78.

**7 A necklace of chunky black beads with an oversize cameo pendant** is a little bit vintage, a little bit pop. Cactus Flower, \$58.

Julie Harris makes her whimsical **glass Moon Bear Buttons** right here in Bloomington. Yarns Unlimited, \$8-20 per card.

**8 Her jaw will drop** when she sees this **pendant of citrine, blue zircon, amethyst, and diamonds set in 14-karat white gold** by contemporary jewelry designer Frank Reubel. Argentum Jewelry, \$4,441.

Local knitter Claire Boissevain-Crooke makes **patterns for reproducing her Nordic-inspired hats, scarves, mittens, and wrist warmers**. In a Yarn Basket, \$5.

**A big funky cocktail ring** screams vintage, and one size fits all. InSeam Denim Supply, \$30-45.

**Jewelry cabinets** dripping with beaded and jeweled earrings, bracelets, and necklaces will make it easy to choose the right gift for any woman on your list. Relish, \$20-200.







# FATHERS & BROTHERS HUSBANDS

The chef will want to show off his new **six-piece set of elegant Wasabi knives** by Kai Kershaw. Goods for Cooks, \$199 including knife block.

1 Give him **ultra-premium denim jeans** by McKenzie Tribe, Gardeur, and Agave Denim. Andrew Davis Menswear, \$95-225.

**Woodstock Wind Chimes** are tuned to scales from diverse world music genres—Temple Bells to Emperor Harp, Little Gregorian to Chicago Blues, and lots more. Bloomington Hardware, \$17-150.

A **zip-up sweater/jacket** with a hound's-tooth, microfiber front would be a casual addition to his wardrobe. Sullivan's Menswear, \$148.

2 For the serious musician, a **Taylor acoustic/electric guitar** is made of solid Hawaiian koa wood. Vance Music Center, \$4,000.

Emily Schumacher's **oil paintings of IU campus scenes** would be thoughtful gifts for alumni. Realistic and colorful, they capture the woodsy beauty of campus in spring and summer. The Venue Fine Art & Gifts, \$450 and up.

The **soft plaid Addy Flannel shirt** by The Hundreds has decorative stitching on the yoke and cuff. Dope Couture, \$74.

**Skagen Danish watches** are made for both men and women. Williams Jewelry, \$95-145.

This might be the perfect year for a bright-red **Special Edition City Bicycle** by Ferrari (yes, that Ferrari), with an onboard computer, electric shifter, and halogen headlamp. The Briar & The Burley, \$3,600.

Put the rum in his eggnog with an **autographed poster of a photograph** by IU professor and former *National Geographic* photographer Steve Raymer. pictura gallery, \$30 unframed.

His tie could match your handbag. Vera Bradley is now making **neckties** that are printed with her signature patterns. Different Drummer Gifts & Antiques, \$39.

A **neon Harley-Davidson clock** would add a nice touch to his man cave. Harley-Davidson of Bloomington, \$91.

Kinloch Anderson of Scotland softens the classic **checked wool shirt** by mixing 20-percent wool with 80-percent cotton. Sullivan's Menswear, \$135.

**Pocketknives** by William Henry Studio are works of art that will last a lifetime. Blades are forged of Damascus steel and engraved with cursive designs; handles are inlaid with exotic materials such as desert ironwood or fossilized woolly-mammoth teeth. There are matching money clips. Gold Casters, \$1,550 knife, \$495 clip.

With the **Vinturi Wine Aerator**, he can breathe a single glass faster than he can say "cabernet sauvignon," and save the rest of the bottle for later. Goods for Cooks, \$45.

The **"a quarter of" acrylic table clock** by artist Warren Woldorf is a sleek, conceptual timepiece. By Hand Gallery, \$70.

The man of your dreams wears an ensemble of **Crittenden tweed separates**, a **cashmere Peter Millar sweater**, and a **Robert Talbott tie**. Andrew Davis Menswear, prices vary.

The rugged **Swiss Luminor watch** is shock- and water-resistant and has an illuminated dial that glows continuously for up to 25 years, no batteries required. Victor Settle, \$225-2,200.

For the DIY addict, **hand-painted ceramic switch plate and outlet covers** come in a variety of colors and styles to match décor. Elements, \$20-25.

**Fraser Fir candles, reed diffusers, soaps, and cleaning products** fill the air with the masculine scent of fresh pine. Rumor has it that men like the scent of the dishwashing liquid so much that they do the dishes. Different Drummer, \$14 and up.

An ethereal **mobile made of argentine sterling silver** by local artist Lee Cohn will catch the light on the darkest of winter days. By Hand Gallery, \$30-4,000.

**Lamps made of salt** are reputed to reduce fatigue caused by proximity to computers and office equipment, and emit soft terra-cotta-colored light. Athena, prices vary.

A black **10.Deep sweatshirt** has an asymmetrical zipper, and one red sleeve. Dope Couture, \$74.

3 **Guitar effect pedals** hand-wired by Mike Stiglitz of Bloomington come in almost as many colors as they do sound effects. Roadworthy Guitar & Amp, \$139-169.

Replace those boring corks with **hand-blown-glass wine-bottle stoppers** in rainbow colors. Argentum Jewelry, \$20.

4 Guys need shoes. Buy him **Ultra Alife sneakers**, and **Supra weather-resistant skytops** by Supra TUF. Dope Couture, \$99-120.

5 Timeless **cashmere scarves in stripes or checks** come from Biella Mills in Italy. Sullivan's Menswear, \$135.

Take him dancing with a **gift certificate for tango lessons**. Arthur Murray Dance Studio, prices vary.

A **cashmere sweater** is two-in-one—it is reversible with a light shade on one side and a darker shade on the other. Chocolate brown or Prussian blue. Sullivan's Menswear, \$250.

The **Osprey Exos 46 backpack** weighs only two pounds and has a comfortable ventilated foam frame that keeps your favorite hiker cool on hot-weather treks. J.L. Waters, \$179.

**Gillette's Art of Shaving line** includes the Chrome Fusion Power Razor with a tiny spotlight, pre-shave oil, shaving cream, aftershave balm, and skin-care products. Andrew Davis Menswear, \$22-125.

He might like a new **leather guitar strap** that was handmade by local artisans. Roadworthy Guitars, \$25-90.

The **portable Weber Q200 Gas Grill** is perfect for tailgating, camping, or a small patio. Bloomington Hardware, \$149-199.

Entirely handmade in Bloomington, **limited-edition silk Billingsley Ties** are a distinctive gift. billingsleyties.com, \$130.

6 If he likes to think of himself as a swashbuckler, then Bloomington artist Michael Cullers makes just the gift—a **replica of a Jack vessel**. These historic tankards were made of thick, hand-stitched leather and sealed with a coating of wax. Cold drinks only; ale is quite suitable. The Venue, \$110.

Contemporary **hand-painted glass and wire picture frames** would look great on his desk at home or at the office. Elements, \$50-100.

**African djembe drums** come from the Ivory Coast. Athena, \$65-310.

7 Oh, what a beautiful Christmas morning he'll have when he sees that **2010 Road Glide Custom Harley-Davidson** with the big red bow. Harley-Davidson of Bloomington, \$20,694.



# Lots & TEENS FIDO TOO

Grownups attest that it is almost impossible to shoot your eye out with Ralphie's favorite, the **Daisy Red Ryder BB gun**. Bloomington Hardware, \$50.

Plan Toys for infants through pre-schoolers include **environmentally friendly building blocks** to make everything from sheep to imaginary villages. WonderLab, \$7-95.

**1** Little girls will dream sweet dreams of their **new party dress**. O'Child, \$45 and up.

**2** A **hand-knit sock-monkey doll** by Bloomington artist Betty Westhues will make any kid laugh. By Hand Gallery, \$48.

Junior may have to compete with Dad for control of the **North Pole Central model train** by Lionel, which comes complete with whistle, headlight, and track. The engine puffs smoke and the boxcar plays 12 Christmas carols. Treasure Chest Hobbies, \$249.99.

Funny **old-fashioned stick ponies** with button eyes and yarn hair are made by Ruth Jones Miller out of recycled fabrics and old broom handles. The Venue, \$60.

**Brightly striped hula hoops** are decorated by local artist P.J. Athena, \$38.

The whole family can create settlements in a new land with **The Settlers of Catan**. The Game Preserve, \$42.

**The Astonishing X-Men Omnibus** by Joss Whedon & John Cassaday is a hardcover collection of everything X-Men that will keep him occupied for the rest of Christmas vacation. Vintage Phoenix Comic Books, \$75.

**3** Bright, cozy **fleece hats** for tweens and teens are hand-sewn by Lynne Mikolon DeMuth of Unionville, Indiana. By Hand Gallery, \$20.

**Packets of Strathmore's Artist Trading Cards**—2.5" x 3.5" rectangles of paper to draw or paint, then trade with friends—are great stocking stuffers. Pygmalion's, \$3

**4** K'Nex Moto-Bot toys let kids make robots that move after they build them. WonderLab, \$34.50.

**Colorful nostalgic wooden toys**—Jacob's Ladders, tops, and yo-yos—still fascinate both young and old. Monroe County History Center, \$2.75-3.70.

Green in every way except color, an **abstract two-dimensional Christmas tree** was hand woven in Peru and has rings to hang ornaments from. Mathers Museum, \$60.

Stuff their stockings with **educational toys, balls, and curiosities**. WonderLab, 25¢-\$7.

Marvel Comics, beloved by kids of all ages, has just published a **192-page graphic version of L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz**. Vintage Phoenix Comic Books, \$30.

**Embroidered ciciabella slippers** are lined with comfy fleece and look like deconstructed cowboy boots. Rebecca & Me, \$42.

If she dreams of becoming the next Hilary Hahn, a **student violin outfit** includes bow and case. Vance Music, \$300 and up.

**"My Mommy Rides a Harley" onesies** are worn by only the coolest babies. Harley-Davidson of Bloomington, \$20.

To keep away the chilly winds and make them laugh at the same time, **hand-knitted hats and mittens** come in a menagerie of animal shapes like frogs, puppies, and penguins. They are fleece lined and come in sizes for both kids and adults. InSeam Denim Supply, \$32.50.

**5** The toddler set can get an early start on learning how to ride a bicycle with the **Strider push bike**, which is foot powered and teaches balance and steering skills. Bikesmiths, \$90.

Regional artist Vic Connor makes endearing little **turtles in smoky raku ceramics**. Wandering Turtle, \$30-56.

For a budding Travis Barker, **drum sets come complete with stands, cymbals, and hardware**. Vance Music, \$850.

Kids will have fun with **Gobblet Gobblers**, a game that is a variation on tic-tac-toe in which players get to eat their opponents' pieces. The Game Preserve, \$20.

Local designers bunny, beans, & alicat make all their **stuffed animals, puppets, and bibs** from recycled fabrics. O'Child, \$8-20.

**T-shirts and caps with an edge** will separate the big boys from the toddlers. O'Child, \$20 and up.

**Sets of four finger puppets from Peru** come in two varieties, Birds of the World or Storybook Characters. Mathers Museum Shop, \$14.

A **trendy faux-leather bomber jacket** in brown or black can be worn with jeans or a holiday dress. b boutique, \$82.

Generations of Bloomingtonians have played with glass marbles from the old cast-iron **"marble machine."** Monroe County History Center, 1¢.

"Mom, we're bored!" **The electric Dream Ice Cream Maker** can make six quarts of ice cream in 30 minutes. Bloomington Hardware, \$239.99.

**Wee Squeak shoes** come in styles for boys and girls and emit a tiny squeak with each step. O'Child, \$30.

**Wallets especially for kids** have appliques of ladybugs, monkeys, tractors, and flowers. Rebecca & Me, \$8.99.

**The Young Artist Learns to Paint Kit** has everything a child needs to start painting, in a convenient plastic case with handles. Pygmalion's, \$20.

Earthy kids crave **Dora the Explorer and SpongeBob garden gloves**. Bloomington Hardware, \$3.49.

Small gunmetal-gray **sculptures of shells and feathers** are actually hand-carved pieces of solid graphite for drawing, and can last as long as ten years. Angles Café & Gift Shop, \$30-53.

**6** Beginners will be into a **pro-quality skateboard** that comes complete with deck, trucks, bearings, and wheels. Rise Skateboard Shop, \$65-150.

Big **colorful fused-glass rings** would be good stocking stuffers. Athena, \$5.

Make winter more cozy with a **chenille throw** to match her bedroom. Textillery Weavers, \$35 and up.

Rise gear—**sweatshirts and T-shirts**—will get a rise out of Rise fans. Rise, \$10-15.

**7** Canine IU fans can show their collegiate spirit with an **IU dog jersey**, ball cap, and, if they are flamboyant, a collar made of big red rhinestones. London Dog, jersey \$32, cap \$12, collar \$28.

For Kitty, a **felt Christmas stocking with an appliquéd "MEOW"** has a toy mouse tucked into an outside pocket. Mathers Museum Shop, \$26.

Stuff Fido's stocking with **assorted doggy cookies, cakes, pup tarts, and dots** made in-house or by Lick Your Chops Bakery in Hammond, Indiana. London Dog, \$1 and up.

A **doggie spa day** can include a manicure with a nail trim and red or green nail polish. London Dog, \$10-15.

Castor & Pollux **Good Buddy Dog Cookies** will go down easy. Sahara Mart, \$4.69.

A **Savvy Tabby Toy** will amuse your cat with a ball of feathers on a bouncy stick. London Dog, \$13.50.







# EVERYONE Else

**1** Select a **holiday ornament** to suit their style—traditional, playful, natural, glitzy, or stylized. Mays Greenhouse, prices vary.

For anyone who enjoys the lure and lore of antiques, local cabinetmaker Nancy R. Hiller's new book, *The Hoosier Cabinet in Kitchen History* tells the story of one of Indiana's most famous pieces of furniture. Monroe County History Center, \$35.

**2** Lava lamps seem to be back, or maybe they never went away. **Mini lamps radiate deep-sea turquoise**, while the nightlight model swirls pink glitter. Athena, \$10-20.

An **annual permit for riding the trails in Hoosier National Forest** on a bicycle or a horse will be enjoyed for 365 days. Bikesmiths, \$35.

*Banta*, a new book of photographs by IU professor Osamu James Nakagawa, explores the aesthetic and historic significance of the cliffs of Okinawa. pictura gallery, \$30.

An elegant and useful desk set includes a **letter opener and a magnifying glass** with sculptured handles of cobalt-colored glass. Accent on Interiors, \$38.

**Fresh Wave organic odor-neutralizing products** made in Rising Sun, Indiana, include gels, crystals, vacuum pearls, carpet shake, and the hard-to-resist Stinky Dorm Kit. Bloomington Hardware, prices vary.

**3** For lovers of contemporary design, Brazilian artist Ana Maia paints **organic and architectural images** on Italian parchment paper to make one-of-a-kind cut-paper lamps. Angles, \$300-455.

**4** Footed glasses in blue, orange, or amber will take any dinner party to the next level. Relish, \$16.

*Map as Art* by Katherine Harmon is a collection of works by artists who manipulate maps, turn them upside down and inside out, and find entirely new destinations. Friends of Art Bookshop, \$45.

**Silhouettes ornaments** are handmade from lithographed silhouettes that are mounted on copies of 18th- and 19th-century documents, then enclosed in glass. Different Drummer, \$20 and up.

Everyone will enjoy **CDs by local favorites** Carrie Newcomer, Krista Detor, Monika Herzig, Curtis Cantwell Jackson, Janiece Jaffe, Craig Brenner, Tim Grimm, Tom Roznowski, and Sarah's Swing Set. Wandering Turtle, prices vary.

*Seven Days in the Art World by Sarah Thornton* is an inside look at the machinations of the art world, and the first selection for the new Friends of Art Reading Group. Friends of Art Bookshop, \$16.

The Stone Belt artists are once again creating their **whimsical art and greeting cards** with holiday themes. Stone Belt Shop and Trinity Episcopal Church, prices vary.

Frame a special photo in a **Blooming Frame**, made in downtown Bloomington out of local wood. Choose 5 x 7 or 8 x 10 inches. ReFrame, \$30 and up.

Jammers, attitude, and fishnets. The **2010 Bleeding Heartland Rollergirls Calendar** is a must for their many fans. Monroe County History Center, \$12.

They will never tire of playing **Fluxx**, a card game in which the rules change with each hand. The Game Preserve, \$16.

**HO HO HO throw pillows** are appliquéd with big white letters on red felt. Different Drummer, \$1.

Polaroids live on in *The Polaroid Book: Selections from the Polaroid Collections of Photography*, and Polaroid Notes, a boxed set of 20 note cards with old Polaroid images. Friends of Art Bookshop, \$15 each.

**Homemade wreaths** of cedar, noble, boxwood, white pine, Fraser fir, or mixed varieties come in sizes from 12 to 60 inches. Mays Greenhouse, \$10 and up.

**Ergonomically correct travel mugs** for coffee or tea are BPA free. Wonder-Lab, \$17.

Bloomington artist **Dotty Sharp's hand-painted gourds** are decorated with jazzy patterns that have a Caribbean feel. Wandering Turtle, \$35-100.

**5** Handmade in Israel, this **menorah** is designed with a Cubist edge. a propos, \$275.

Wrap up a **hiker's package** that includes *Indiana Best Hikes* by Alan McPherson, a Suunto orienteering compass, and a Snow Peak titanium cooking dish that weighs only 2.8 ounces. J.L. Waters, \$23, 24, 29.

Elegant **Maja soaps and bath products** are imported from Spain. a propos, \$10 and up.

**Food Class Favorites: 3,000 Teenagers Can't Be Wrong**, a cookbook by the kids at Bloomington High School South, is full of well-tested recipes, and the proceeds go toward the cooking programs. Inner Chef, \$10.

If you don't have a lot of time to shop, just give everyone an **umbrella**—round, square, flower-shaped, domed, clear, plain, or the big one with the cathedral ceiling printed on the inside. Angles, \$26-38.

Whether paisley, metallic, floral, or solid, a **pashmina scarf** fits anyone. Athena, \$18.

A **hand-painted lacquered box from Russia** makes an exotic and collectible gift. Glorious Moments, \$35-5,000.

**6** Artist **Lara Moore's wall tiles** have graphics inspired by Byzantine and Persian designs and are created by layering cut paper, then coating the piece with high-gloss resin. Alphabet tiles for a personalized gift can be custom ordered. bella bella arts, \$30-100.

**Menorahs** come in contemporary and traditional styles. Congregation Beth Shalom Gift Shop, \$20 and up.

Please pass the salt...**mobile salt and pepper shakers** in the shape of little birds have wheels. You just wind them up and send them down the table. Inner Chef, \$22.

Turn a memory into wallpaper with a giant **blow-up of a favorite family or landscape photo**. Spectrum Studio of Photography and Design, price depends on size.

Give a mini-vacation—a **gift certificate for a massage** by one of six therapists whose specialties include Swedish, deep tissue, and hot stones. Massage on the Square, \$45-90.

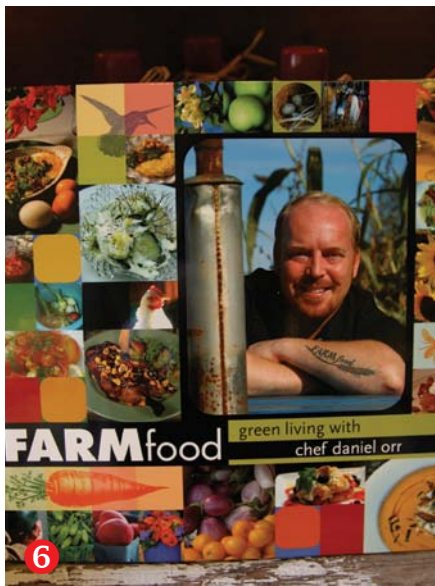
**7** An artist or writer will appreciate a luxurious **Lama Li sketchbook** made in Nepal of traditional, sustainable lokta paper, and bound in fabric with a tie closure. Pygmalion's, \$20-35.

**8** **Lemon eucalyptus Star of David hand soap** is 100 percent kosher and has a retro wrapper. Rebecca & Me, \$7.

Bloomington's art galleries sell **work by local, regional, and world artists**. Exhibits are ever-changing and offer choices for anyone on your list who loves art. Those not yet mentioned are Art Hospital, Bellevue Gallery, Bloomington Clay Studio, gallery 406, and Gallery North on the Square. Prices vary.

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# Food

A bottle of fresh maple syrup from Burton's Maplewood Farms of Medora, Indiana, might inspire a Christmas pancake fest. FARMbloomington, \$15-20.

1 Carve a new holiday tradition by giving coffee from Bloomington's Quarrymen Coffee Roasting Company. Bloomingfoods, \$11/lb.

2 Cinnamon and Ancho Chile Hot Chocolate Mix and a bag of House Made Marshmallows is a gift that might have to be opened on Christmas Eve. BLU Boy Café and Cakery, \$12 and \$6.

Tea Forté Cocktail Infusions are like tea bags for cocktails. Just drop one in a glass of vodka or gin to make a lavender pear martini or a lemon-grass mint gin and tonic. Angles, \$13.

Gift boxes filled with gourmet items to accompany meats include sauces, rubs, spices, and spreads. The Butcher's Block, \$30-200.

Locally produced Chambourcin 2008 is a medium-bodied red wine with a little oak, nutmeg, and cloves that goes well with beef or game. Butler Winery, \$19.

Boun natale! Chiostro autentici panettone will put a bit of Italy under the tree, and tastes good toasted, too. Goods for Cooks, \$7-18.

Holiday gift baskets can be custom ordered and filled with gobs of decadent sweets to please just about anyone. Chocolate Emporium, \$30 and up.

Creekbend Vidal Blanc Sparkling Wine is a light bubbly with a touch of sweetness. Oliver Winery, \$25.

Bloomington Bourbon Barrel Blast-Hoosier Hot Sauce, homemade by Chef Daniel Orr, will please and tease the palate. Farm, \$6.50.

3 A big jar of Bubbies Kosher Dills will last until spring. Sahara Mart, \$6.50.

Vosges Exotic Candy Bars come in flavors like Mo's Bacon, Black Pearl (wasabi and ginger), and Nage (Indian curry). Sahara Mart, \$6-7.

4 Bloomington-made Daddy Bob Peanut Brittle is sweet and crunchy. Monroe County History Center, \$6.

5 Homemade ketchup and stone-ground mustard by Local Folks Foods is a natural gift for the grillmeister on your list. Bloomingfoods, \$4.19-4.39.

For those who like a semi-sweet wine, Sangria Classic is a blend of red wine and natural flavors. It is nice served chilled or with a slice of orange. Oliver Winery, \$8.50.

Decadent Dippers are two pretzel rods fused with tons of chocolate and trimmings that come in flavors like mega mudslide, frosted sugar cookie, and caramel toffee crunch. All wrapped in cellophane and tied with a ribbon. Chocolate Emporium, \$3.95.

6 Daniel Orr's new book, FARM-food: Green Living with Chef Daniel Orr, includes recipes for many of Chef's favorite menu items along with his succulent photographs. Farm, \$30.

7 Russian candy bars come in chocolate or peanut butter and have wrappers charming enough to be framed. Euro Deli, \$2.99.

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