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Designer-curated gift ideas for everyone on your list

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Don't let finding the perfect gift add more stress to the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. We turned to local designers for expert (and exquisite) gift ideas that are always on point—even for the most design-conscious recipients on your list. Whether you're shopping for the hostess or for something to wrap and nestle under the tree, you're sure to find inspiration here.



## Barrie Benson

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Interior Design

“Who doesn't love a great game, and especially a fabulous looking one you can display on a table? I love exploring the MoMA gift shop for all sorts of fun and unique gifts!” *MoMA Design Store colorful backgammon set, \$89, [www.store.moma.org](http://www.store.moma.org)*



“A special gift I love to give is vintage barware with a bottle of Italian Amaro. On the card I'll include a note or recipe for my favorite cocktail.” *Dorothy Thorpe set of eight glasses with ice bucket and carrier, \$425, [www.1stdibs.com](http://www.1stdibs.com)*





**Charlotte Lucas**  
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Interior Design



“These whimsical coasters make great hostess gifts and pack a punch of color to any holiday party.” *House of Harris cocktail coasters, \$35 for a set of four, [www.houseofharris.com](http://www.houseofharris.com)*



“These colorful cheese knives are perfect for entertaining and are a great price! Wrap with a jar of truffle honey for the ultimate hostess gift.” *Kip & Co musk cheese knife, \$19 each, [www.kipandco.com](http://www.kipandco.com)*



“These fun wristlet keychains are just the right price. They’re stylish, functional, and in the event you take an Uber, you can unclip your keys and wear it as a bangle. Some people think of everything!” *Reprotique wristlet keychains, \$38, [www.abodehomedesign.com](http://www.abodehomedesign.com)*



**Mary Tobias Miller**  
Abode Home Design

“We learned very quickly that Goë Oil has a cult following. With twenty-eight uses ranging from moisturizer and eye makeup remover to hair styling gel and aftershave, this product is a sure hit for even the pickiest gift recipient.” *Goë oil, \$55, [www.abodehomedesign.com](http://www.abodehomedesign.com)*



“Who doesn’t like to indulge in a little chocolate every once in a while? This sampler pack is a great gift option for those with a sweet tooth.” *Videri Chocolate Factory 15-piece confections box*, \$42.75, [www.viderichocolatefactory.com](http://www.viderichocolatefactory.com)



**Elizabeth O’Neal**  
Teal Interior Design



“These candles are always a charming gift option. With so many delicious scents to choose from, you can’t go wrong!” *Nest Fragrances holiday classic candle*, \$40, [www.nestfragrances.com](http://www.nestfragrances.com)



**Vicky Serany**  
Southern Studio Interior Design

“It’s the perfect blanket made from all natural materials. If it’s something that will be used every day, it’s worth splurging on a bit of luxury.” *Peacock Alley all seasons cotton blanket*, \$190, [www.peacockalley.com](http://www.peacockalley.com)



“A statement necklace that adds casual sophistication to any outfit. The shell necklace is perfect for beach lovers!” *Twine & Twig brass pendant necklace*, \$185, [www.twineandtwigstyle.com](http://www.twineandtwigstyle.com)