

Creative Gift Ideas

The holidays are here! Opt for these creative, customizable gift ideas that can be purchased from the comfort of your own home.

Custom Gift Boxes

Create your gift box online and customize what items you put into it. Here are a few online services to try with options under \$65.

The Good Box - Customize your gift box or choose one pre-made with goodies all from Canadian companies!

Black Bow Gift Co - This Halifax-based company hand-selects items that go into their gift boxes, including home goods and wellness products.

My Baskets - Affordable, pre-made gift baskets packed with goodies for every occasion, including gourmet treats, cookware and golf accessories.

EW WE ME - Gift boxes feature products from makers across Canada, and a percentage of each purchase is donated to a local charity.

Streaming Services

Gift cards to services like Netflix, Hulu, Disney+, Spotify or even Amazon Prime can cover your friend's existing subscription for a few months or give them access to a new platform with more music, movies and television to enjoy.

Subscription Kits


Pick a kit that matches the recipient's interest, and each month they'll get a new box delivered right to their door. There's a kit for every interest, including food, books, self-care or fashion!

Atlas Coffee Club - Coffee from around the world delivered every other week or monthly.

The Innocent Baker - This kit comes with pre-measured ingredients to bake delicious gourmet recipes without the hassle. They have something for every age - and mess - level!

BarkBox - Give your friend something to share with their four-legged companion. BarkBox delivers treats, toys and other goodies for their pup each month.

Sweet Reads - Fresh new reads delivered monthly, with the option to pause if you get behind.

 Happy Holidays!

Make a Donation

If your friend has a cause they're passionate about, make a donation in their name to support a related organization. The small gesture goes a long way, and supports the greater good!

Rein in Your Holiday Spending

The best way to avoid overspending this holiday is to create a holiday spending plan!

Organize Your Gift Giving

- ✓ **Make a List**
Write down all the people who you'll be giving to this season. Check it twice.
- ✓ **Designate a Price Limit**
How much works with your budget, and what will you spend for each person?
- ✓ **Set a Deadline**
When does that person need to receive their gift? Consider setting a reminder in your phone for when you need to place the order!
- ✓ **Write Gift Ideas**
Next to each name, list an idea for a heartfelt gift at the right price.

Pro-Tip

Consider a Separate Savings Account

Next year, consider a separate account just for holiday gift shopping. Set up an auto-transfer from your chequing account to this separate account to get closer to your goal.

It's the Thought That Counts!

You don't have to spend big this holiday to show your loved ones you care about them! Homemade cards and crafts send a heartfelt message too — anything you can do to make them feel special.



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