

GIFT GUIDE



Kitchen Kid

KITCHEN KID has cooking classes and summer camps that can turn your child into a chef.



SHWINGS help shoes take wing, or at least inspire kids to get moving.

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FOR KIDS

KEEP THEM BUSY HAVING FUN AT HOME, IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS

"Cooking With Children: 15 Lessons for Children, Age 7 and Up, Who Really Want to Learn to Cook" by Marion Cunningham

This book is a terrific introduction to basic cooking skills for kids who are old enough to handle a knife and stand at the stove. \$27.95, widely available online.

The Kitchen Kid cooking classes

This highly regarded Santa Monica group has summer camps and individual classes. They're popular, though, so you'd better hurry to sign up. They also are starting a subscription program called Raddish that will launch after the first of the year. It will include a monthly box of ingredients,

recipes and instructions to help get your kids into the kitchen. Summer camp series is \$80 to \$525 and Raddish is \$150 per month, at www.kitchenkid.com.

"Let's Eat! What Children Eat Around the World" by Beatrice Hollyer

A really sweet little book for young children featuring photographs and stories showing what kids eat around the world. A portion of the sales goes to Oxfam. \$17.99, widely available online.

AquaFarm

Way cooler than Sea-Monkeys. The AquaFarm is a 3-gallon aquaponic aquarium: Fish waste fertilizes the plants

above the tank, which in turn clean the water for the fish — and you. No more arguing over who has to clean the tank. As a bonus, this closed-loop ecosystem can supply you with wheatgrass, lettuce or basil. \$59.99, at www.backtotheroots.com.

Ferm Living tent

The cotton and wood tent from Ferm Living allows kids to pitch their escape practically anywhere. The design includes windows and curtains, plus a matching bag when it's time to put it away. \$200, at www.fermlivingshop.com, allmoders.com, www.faxmanandforest.com.

Honeycomb parade

These bits of cuteness are by Swedish designer Ingela Arrhenius, who finds her inspiration



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AQUAFARM has a self-cleaning ecosystem.

In 1950s and '60s illustrations. Each accordion animal can be kept folded as a card, opened and used as a gift topper or strung together with others as wall art. \$12 each at Huset, 1336 1/2 Abbot Kinney Blvd., Venice, or at www.huset-shop.com.

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ANGELA DOLLS are dressed in many ways.



Ferm Living

FERM LIVING TENT is made of cotton and wood.