

NOFO^gMATION *what's in store*

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Mr. Postman

Please...no texts or emails expressing your love. If there ever was a time for snail mail, it's Valentine's Day. Choose from our selection of sweet, beautiful, funny, or retro cards. Sign it, seal it, buy a pretty stamp, and trust the USPS to deliver it to the love of your life. Mr.

Postman's up to the task.

Celebrate Democracy

February 21 is Presidents' Day. This just may be the year to reinforce our belief in democracy and our Constitution.

Fly your American flag. Get out that Valentine's tree and hang up a few hearts, some small flags and our glammed-up Washington and Lincoln ornaments. Demonstrate that these guys and their beliefs are still cool.

Feast and Fast

As Easter is late this year, Mardi Gras, the last day of the Carnival season, is March 1. Traditionally, Fat Tuesday is the day to feast on eggs, milk, cheese and meat before the Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday.

We have local eggs, cheese, bacon, sausage, ham, pancake

mix, syrup, honey and milk so you can prepare a proper Mardi Gras dinner celebration at your house.

Love is in the Air

Sometimes having love in the air is not enough. It needs to be in a box with a bow, personally presented on February 14.

If you're looking for fine chocolates, let us help you. NOFO is one of the few places left that allows you to build your own box by selecting individual pieces. We can do any size from 2 to 20 to more!

Mix pieces from Moonstruck, Ghyslain, Red Light and Le Grand. We'll

box and bow it for you.

Pretty is as Pretty Does

Used to be, flowers made of soap sat prettily on bathroom counters collecting dust until they were discarded. No one wanted to be the person who ruined the soap sculpture.

Our soap flowers are more beautiful than ever, and they're functional. Each petal is its own individual soap, perfect for hand washing or the bath.

These scented soap flowers are made in Mississippi with goat's

milk, coconut oil, and shea butter. Choose a small vintage rose, orchid or daisy; or select a large gardenia, peony, rose or magnolia.

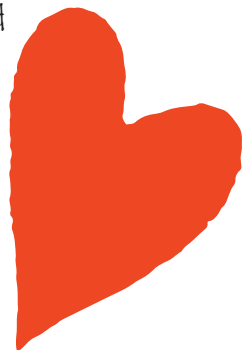
Sparkle Plenty

Sometimes a little glitz and glitter are all you need to turn the ordinary into extraordinary. Take the pancake for example. With everyday syrup, they're delicious, but with Runamok Sparkle Maple Syrup, it's a pancake party!

Rim your cocktail glass with gold or pink glitter confetti and/or add edible glitter hearts or stars to your glass. As they dissolve, glitter swirls through the liquid, adding plenty of sparkle to your drink and a big smile to your face.

Set the Scene

Whether you're setting the table for the two of you or for your family, lay it with love. Start with heart shaped placemats and add red or pink candles. Put a Valentine surprise ball and a chocolate truffle at each place. Have sparklers at the ready for after-dinner dazzle.



Come On Baby

Use our Flickr personal fireplace to create ambiance on Valentine's night or any other evening. This sleek, simple indoor concrete vessel safely burns isoprophyl alcohol and it's odorless.

Place Flickr on the living room coffee table, the dinner table or outside on the porch. Bring out a bottle of bubbly and two coupes. It wouldn't hurt to have The Doors singing "Come on Baby Light My Fire" in the background. Just saying...

Invite SOB's

...to your next party. They're sure to be a hit! We're talking about Southern Olive Bites, the cheddar-covered olive canape made in Charleston.

Often called hot cheddar balls or cheddar olive balls, they were served at every teenage girl's Coca-Cola party, and were passed on silver trays at their parents' cocktail parties. Olive bites were simply a southern staple in the 50's.

They are messy to make and time consuming unless you have a package of SOB's in your freezer. Each bag contains 36 perfectly smooth, round SOB's ready to bake. We love that the bag contains enough for a 12-person dinner party canape, or you can take out a few for cocktails for two.

The Nose Knows

Scent plays a big part in the aura surrounding each of us. How many times have you said,

"You smell so good. What scent are you wearing?" Fragrance is a popular gift for both men and women on Valentine's Day. We suggest that men take a tour of our bath and body department to choose their favorite scent. They'll find soaps, lotions, perfumes, bubble bath, and boudoir candles from Thymes, Archipelago, Tocca, Lollia, Library of Flowers, Tokyo Milk, Murphy & Daughters, and others.

Ladies should browse the men's department for soaps, lotions, aftershaves and colognes from Jack Black, Duke Cannon, East West Bottlers and M.S. Silver.

It may be interesting to see what attracts you.

A Pleasant Surprise

If you like Forrest Gump's approach to a box of chocolates where "you never know what you're gonna get," you need not worry. We have vetted all of our beautiful boxes and tins of chocolates and you'll be pleasantly surprised with every piece.

Choose boxes or tins from Mayana, Neuhaus, Ghyslain, Lambrecht, Moonstruck, Croquette, and Lewis Sherry.

Group Hug

Give everyone you love Charlie Mackesy's book, *The Boy, The Mole, the Fox and the Horse*. Giving them this simple, quiet, beautiful picture book is like giving them each a hug.

The Ultimate Valentine

This edible, hand-painted chocolate heart box filled with six hearts is the ultimate Valentine's Day gift.

Made by renowned chocolatier Ghyslain Maurai, it's available in dark chocolate painted red or blush pink.

The hand-painted pieces inside are coconut rum, peach daquiri, chocolate raspberry, jivara, french vanilla and mango margarita. Each piece seems more beautiful than the last.

Tea Lover

The most exquisite gift for a lover of tea, art and nature is from Tea Forté. They partnered with the New York Botanical Gardens to create a gift box featuring prints from Pierre Joseph Redouté.

The box is available in soft pink, light green or yellow and contains a porcelain lidded tea cup, a tea tray and 10 pyramid tea infusers.

It truly is the prettiest present in the store.

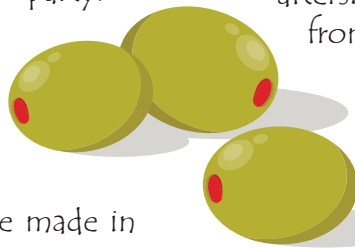
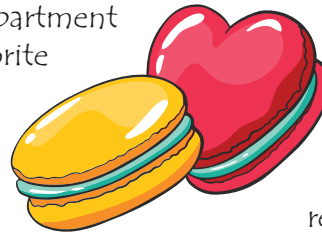
Sipping Sweet

Since chocolate and caramel bring out the best in each other, Alice named this coffee blend by Kaldi Roasters in Wilmington

"Favorito Amigo." It may be the ideal gift for your favorite friends.

Drinking chocolates

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from French Broad and Black Mountain, hot chocolate from French Farm, or cocoa nib teas from Oliver Pluff are also delicious ways to win over a chocolate lover one sip at a time.

It's Freezing!

Think like a squirrel. They don't venture far this time of year. They stay tucked in with their food supply and wait out winter.

Gather food from our freezers: chicken pot pies, spaghetti, pies, casseroles, soups, ham rolls, biscuits, cakes, pies, chili and such. Stock up and stay in!

Musee Bath Bombs

We welcome Musee bath products back to NOFO. They've lots of new bombs for children and a new line of bath soaks, soaps, and candles for adults.

For your children, choose a princess, dino or astronaut in an adorable gift box; or select a scented, tissue-wrapped bath bomb.

Grownups will love Musee's new bath soaks, which were part of Oprah's 2021 "O List." You'll find them alongside their new bath soaps and candles.

Eye Candy

At NOFO, we have two candy cases for chocolates and one case for Eye Candy. It holds beautiful pieces of jewelry, handmade by mostly Southern jewelers. Shop for bracelets, rings, necklaces and earrings and see what catches your eye.

Heart Smart

Valentine's Day used to be for lovers only. Today, however, it's been expanded to include all the folks in our lives whom we love.

Your expressions of love need not be big and expensive. NOFO has silly candies as well as fine chocolates.

We have chocolate covered Oreos, hot chocolate stir sticks, Dewey's vanilla heart cookies & frosted decorated cookies.

Choose your favorite jar of sweets from Candy

Club, bath bombs, Surprise Balls, pretty heart ornaments for the Valentine tree, a scented candle, or a Valentine tea towel. It's easy to play Cupid at NOFO.

Hmmmm...

What if you gave her the softest, most luxurious 5' x 5' faux fur throw to ward off the chill of winter? Wouldn't you just maybe be invited to curl up under it with her?

Think about it.

Home is Where the Heart Is

Call us to order your Valentine's dinner, dessert, wine & champagne. Set the table, lay the fire, lower the lights and have a sweetheart of an evening at home.

Set the Scene

With the very cold weather and the latest Covid surge, we're sticking close to home. Why not cheer everyone up by going BIG with the

Valentine's decorations this year?

Decorate a small tree with heart-shaped ornaments. Toss valentine throw pillow on the couch. Set the dinner table with big red heart placemats and red, pink, or lavender candles. Set out a bowl or tray to hold your family's valentine cards to each other. They'll be ready to hand out on the 14th.

A Bubbly Evening

Tie up a split of Champagne with a bottle of sweetly scented bubble bath and some champagne truffles.

Make it a full bottle of champagne and you may be asked to join her for a bubbly evening in the bath.

Groundhog Day

On February 2 each year, Pennsylvania's Punxsutawney Phil appears and predicts the length of Winter. In North Carolina, the predictor of Spring's arrival is Sir Walter Wally.

It won't matter what weather the future holds if you have one of our reversible cashmere shawls in your closet. They keep you cozy warm in Winter and are the perfect weight for early Spring.

We have just received a new shipment but predict they won't last long.



Heart Warming

Giving your Valentine this big red heart shaped warming pillow is like shouting "I love you!" out loud. She'll know you care about relieving her aches, pains and stress level; and it will warm her heart as well.

Valentine Prep

If you are prepping for an evening of romance on February 14, you may want to pick up Dead Sexy lotion and perfume from Tokyo Milk. Make it really easy and get their Date Night Kit. It contains a luscious Rose lip tint and perfume in a pretty tin that'll fit in your evening bag.

A boy is raised to be prepared. Beat him at his own game.

Sweet Dreams

Show her you love her with a pretty gown or pajamas. We've a wide selection of styles from Thea, Jacaranda, and Cat's Pajamas to wear to bed on the 14th. Or, choose a satin robe lined in the softest faux fur ever to make her feel luxuriously loved.

Show him you care with a pair of Royal Highnies pima cotton lounge pants or boxer shorts. Add a Royal Highnies T-shirt and he'll feel like a king.

Switching Channels

The Super Bowl is February 13, right in the middle of the Winter Olympics. We bet folks switch TV channels back and

forth all night to keep up with what's happening in California and China.

If you order your game night food from NOFO, you'll never have to leave your couch for sustenance. Stay put and cheer for your favorite Super Bowl team and the USA Olympians.

Check out the menu on our website, nofo.com, or pick up a copy at NOFO.

Delightful

We've watched folks warm up to Divine Delights petit fours over the years. These pretty confections have a real following, and it's always fun to watch or hear what our customers intend to do with these treats.

Some Nofolks eat them as soon as we hand them over while others select pieces to make up a gift box. We often add them to a box of chocolates a customer's putting together.

Grandmothers love them for tea parties with their grandchildren. Last week, we were asked to wrap 4 petit fours separately. This father was putting them on the pillow cases of his three daughters. When asked what the occasion was, he replied, "so they don't

forget how much I love them." Delightful!

Take the Chill Off

Steve Zyck traveled all over the world for his job. He then moved from London to a New Hampshire town of 2,000 people to settle down and produce wood stove drink mixes.

We love his Hot Toddy Mix. It soothes the throat, warms the body and helps ward off illness. Made of all-natural cloverleaf honey, lemon juice, ginger and a proprietary blend of spices, it's the ideal February libation and simple to prepare.

Combine a quarter cup of Hot Toddy mix with hot tea or water and add your favorite spirit. We like to add bourbon or rye; but rum, vodka or brandy will do just fine.



PLAN A SWEETHEART
OF AN EVENING

We're making it easy for you to show your Valentine just how much you care. Book a table in our cafe for February 10, 11 or 12. Add a small take-home flower arrangement and a box of chocolates.

Order a special meal for two or order from the cafe menu. Call 919-821-1240 to book your reservation today.