

CHIC LUXURIES

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Ultimate Holiday Gift Guide

HO HO HO! The elves have been busy filling our Ultimate Holiday Gift Guide with fabulous new finds and some of our favorite chic luxuries. And since it's the season of giving, we will be giving away a goodie box valued at \$500 to TWO lucky readers! After all, what's a gift guide without gifts? Make yourself a cup of cocoa and browse through each of the websites featured, then come back here and enter to win! And keep checking back, our elves may have a few more gift ideas to share ~



Give him a gift that will remind him of you every minute. This brushed and polished stainless steel watch by GUESS Watches is sleek and stylish. Its contemporary design and chronograph functionality includes a date display window and adjustable strap that tightens and releases effortlessly with a push of the buttons. The textured dial features brilliant silvertone hands and hour markers. It's water-resistant to 100-meters. Made with excellent craftsmanship, he's sure to treasure it! Available at fine department stores and online retailers, we spotted it at Macy's for \$150, GUESS stock #U0075G3. Additional selections and store locators can be found at guesswatches.com.



At the top of every fashionista's wish list will be this [Aqua Haze Skirt](#) from one of our favorite retailers, Soft Surroundings. Fluid and graceful, it is such an eye-catcher and can transition into every season. Hand tie-dyed with the look of a wrap-around styling, it has a ruffle cascading down the front. Made of rayon/cotton spandex with an elastic waist band, it measures 34" long. Equally chic worn with sandals or boots, we adore it paired with the [Black Underwire 3/4 Tee](#). The Aqua Haze skirt is washable and made in the USA. In sizes XS-XL, snatch one before they're all gone! \$84.95 at SoftSurroundings.com.

[Kai's Signature Chocolate Chip Cookies](#) ~

Hollywood's famous caterer, Kai's Catering + Events, includes these signature cookies at every event. Made with no preservatives they are the thickest, richest, most decadent chocolate chip cookies we've ever tasted. It's no wonder Jennifer Lopez has them shipped on location! They arrived from L.A. with not a crumb out of place. What a wonderful treat to send to a far-away relative for Christmas. I ate one as soon as it arrived, incredible! We also tried warming in the microwave for 12 seconds, it was like a molten lava cake, top with a scoop of vanilla ice cream for a quick and fabulous dessert guests will be talking about long after the party is over. A dozen cookies retail for \$30, exclusively at kaisevents.com.





Give the gift of gorgeous hair this year with Paul Mitchell's [Awapuhi Wild Ginger Holiday Gift Sets](#). This elegant gift includes a Moisturizing Lather Shampoo 8.5 oz., Keratin Cream Rinse 8.5 oz., and Keratin Intensive Treatment 3.4 oz. Formulated to cleanse and repair hair from the core to cuticle, we loved how soft and healthy-looking it left our hair. Treat yourself to one too! Beautifully gift boxed. \$40 exclusively at Paul Mitchell salons and schools November and December only.



For salon styling at home, [Remington's T-Studio Pearl Straightener](#) is a necessity. This 1" thin straightener is made with ceramic technology and real crushed pearls to give hair a sleek silky look with incredible shine. Heats to a maximum of 450 degrees. Keep one at home and in the office, its compact size is perfect for travel too. Arrives in a cute gift box...she'll love what it does for her locks. Available exclusively at Target stores and online for \$29.99.



Add a little sparkle to their holidays with this [Limited Edition Swiss Emblem Sigg bottle](#) adorned with Swarovski crystals and ready for gifting in a black tubular box. The crystals glisten against the shiny black aluminum bottle. I use my Sigg bottle constantly. It keeps beverages cool, washes easily and I love that it doesn't retain odors, or absorb them when in the fridge. I even freeze milk in mine to have on hand in case I run out. Although I pop mine in the dishwasher, I recommend hand-washing this specialty bottle. Eco-friendly and perfect for taking to work, to the gym, spa, shopping or when traveling. Makes a lovely corporate or client gift too. \$39.99 at mysigg.com.



We are head over heels in love with these little works of art from Beth Quinn Designs. The unique handcrafted [Holiday Adornment](#) is light enough to be hung from the tree and so charming you'll want to display it year-round. The petite ornament is crafted using an open back box, vintage papers and lace, mica flakes, and glass glitter. Available with different sayings and signed by the artist. Makes a treasured one-of-a-kind gift she will love. These limited production keepsakes measure 3x3x2 and retail for \$35 [BethQuinnDesigns.com](#).

LaLicious [Holiday Gift Set](#) includes four full-sized products ~ 16-oz. Sugar Souffle Scrub, 8-oz. Whipped Soap, 8-oz. Body Butter, and 8-oz. Body Oil beautifully gift-boxed. Available in their most popular scents, our fav is Brown Sugar and Vanilla. Order early, Santa will surely be stocking up on this one. \$95 at [lalicious.com](#).



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These "[High Ball](#)" Reindeer with [Mistletoe Glasses](#) designed by Constance Depler & Friends are sure bring out the holiday cheer in everyone. Add a little whimsy to your parties or order for a hostess gift, secret santa, your hard-to-buy for mother-in-law, the mail carrier and everyone on your nice list. We'll be using ours all year long...too cute to pack away! A set of four is on sale now for \$24.95, snatch them before Rudolph does at [cdeplerfriends.com](#).

The perfect stocking stuffer for every glamour girl, this [Dual Airbrush Concealer Brush](#) is retractable and because it's from IT Cosmetics, it is the softest most luxurious concealer brush on the market. \$24 at [ItCosmetics.com](#).



A practical gift that will keep everyone on your list warm and cozy throughout the winter, this [Microplush Blanket](#) from Anna's Linens is luxuriously soft and beautiful. In rich colors and the sale prices make these blankets a steal. Now just \$9.99 for twin, \$19.99 for full/queen and \$29.99 for king at [Annaslinens.com](#).

VMV Hypoallergenic have paired their two best-sellers ~ Ooh-la-Lash! Volumizing Mascara in Black and Glitz Lipstick in Drama Queen ~ in this adorable [Mistle-Glow](#) gift set. Oh-so-girly, it will leave her with kissable soft lips, long lashes and ready for the mistletoe. We love this! xo \$35 at [vmvhypoallergenic.com](#).



Aren't these the cutest bath bombs you've ever seen? The Holiday [Skinny Mini Trio](#) includes Pumpkin Spice, Candy Cane and Sugar Cookie scents. For girly girls of all ages, they are the sweetest! Individually wrapped, perfect as stocking stuffers or party favors. Gift boxed, the Trio retails for \$29.99 at [arianna-skincare.com](#).

One of the more unique products in Santa's workshop this year is Strappy's. These [Large Faceted Stone Bra Straps](#) get their glimmer from faceted stones and rhinestone-encrusted links. Taupe stones are alternating in a gunmetal jewelry setting. Packaged in a luxury gift box ready for gift giving. \$44.95 for the pair at [Strappys.com](#).



Give the gift of a good night's sleep with the [Sound+Sleep Nomad Sleep Therapy System](#). This petite sound system is perfect for traveling. Includes the sounds of real life waterfalls, ocean waves, babbling brooks, and falling rain. Treat yourself to one too and never lose another night's sleep while away from home. It regularly retails for \$179.95, it's on sale for \$149.95 at [soundofsleep.com](#) AND for a limited time, Chic Luxuries' readers can order it for \$99.95 including FREE shipping. Use code MYCHIC50.

[Sensacare Relaxation Slippers](#) these ultra cozy slippers can be used hot to relieve muscle pain or cold to reduce swelling and ease joint pain. Removeable packs contain fragrant herbs including chamomile, cinnamon, lemongrass, peppermint, rosemary, and spearmint. Outer slipper is washable. Makes a thoughtful gift that the recipient will definitely enjoy. \$49.99 at [Sensacare.net](#).



A fun gift for the person who has everything on your gift list, this [Carousel Snack Wheel](#) by Plow & Hearth will be enjoyed by the whole family. Don't forget the [Cocktail Snack Mix](#)! Carousel Snack Wheel with Ceramic bowls retails for \$39.95, 14-oz. can of snack mix retails for \$14.95. Both at [PlowandHearth.com](#).

This [Freshwater Pearl Necklace](#) from Lauren St. Julian proves good things really do come in small packages. Handstrung 8 and 9mm pearls create this classic beauty everyone woman would love to receive. This exquisite necklace has a nice weight to it and measures 16.9" long. Regularly \$125 at [LaurenStJulian.com](#), Chic Luxuries readers can purchase it for \$60 including shipping. Use code "chic" at checkout.



These [Drizzle](#) shoes by Nomad will keep her feet dry, comfy and looking chic while running errands, and commuting to work on rainy days. One of their best-sellers, they are available in Navy/Lime {shown},



Black/White, Orange/Beige and Green/Blue in sizes 5-10. Made of rubber with a flat heel, \$40 at nomadfootwear.com.

For the little girl in your life, this beautiful [Baby Love Bracelet](#) by Isabelle Grace Jewelry is such a sweet find. Made of light pink pearls, shimmering swarovski crystals and sterling silver beads, it includes a round sterling silver initial charm. Adjustable, it measures 6.25" including extender. Complimentary gift box included. A gift any little girl would adore, it's \$32 from IsabelleGraceJewelry.com.



We couldn't forget the men! Just about every guy I know would love a pair of these [Wolverine 8\"](#)

Speaking of cute guys, ☺ have you heard about Jon Bon Jovi's new fragrance, Unplugged? For everyone else, there's an Unplugged scent for men and women by AVON. Find it [HERE](#) and checkout all of the



other great gift ideas.



The perfect little luxury for a business associates or corporate clients, Inspired Home Scented Soy Candles are delightfully fragrant and packaged in an exquisite gift box. Our favorite is the invigoratingly fresh [Pink Grapefruit](#) scent. Handpoured in America and made of pure soy, this delightful candle has a burn time of at least 20 hours. \$38 at InspiredHome.com.

We couldn't do a Holiday Gift Guide without including our fav boots of the season ~ the [Emma](#) by BEARPAW. These are the 10" in Camel. They look fabulous with jeans and leggings. They are so comfy, the recipient won't want to take them off! \$74.99 at BEARPAW.com.

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