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Our Picks for Designophiles,  
Foodies and More

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## HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE

### DECK THE HALLS

We've scoured the West for the very best goods to delight everyone on your list this year—the foodie, the entertainer, the design lover, the bookworm and beyond. And if a few of these gems wind up on your own wish list? We're not going to judge.

#### Home Grown

For the forest-to-furniture gift, it's the **Moloo stool** (\$975) from Alberta's Wronko Woods. Made from a mix of maple, white oak and black walnut, this solid-wood rustic accent chair is elevated with elegant wood inlays, soft lines and turned grooves. [wronkowoods.com](http://wronkowoods.com)







#### On a Plinth

Menu's **Monuments** magazine holder (\$700) elevates the oft-overlooked print stand into a display object while keeping back issues and favourite books in order. [vanspecial.com](http://vanspecial.com); [guildhallhome.com](http://guildhallhome.com); [hutk.ca](http://hutk.ca)

#### Stack It Up

On the outside, it's a covetable tube design; on the inside, this two-piece **stacking planter** (\$114) has a separate saucer in the bottom ceramic ring for keeping succulents happy. [nouvelnouvelle.com](http://nouvelnouvelle.com)



#### Designer Pick

**JAMIE DECK**

Shift Interiors, Vancouver

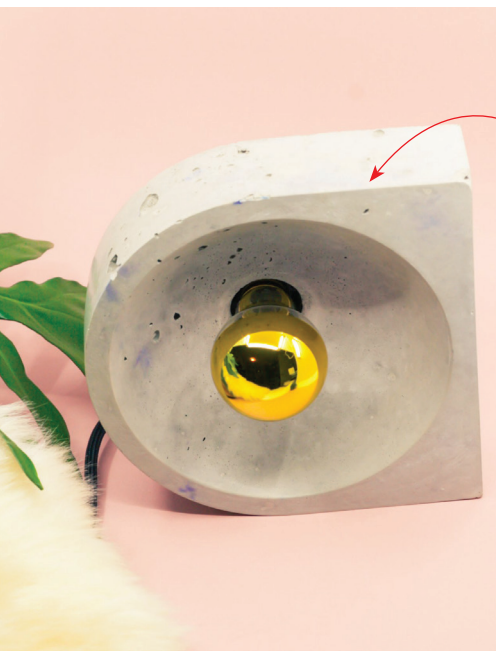
*"Everyone needs a salt and pepper shaker, so why not have ones that are well designed? I love them, and often give them to our clients to enjoy after we have completed a home. Why? They look great, never get stuck and are easy to use, clean and refill. Plus, they come in lots of trendy colours."*



**Menu Bottle Grinders**, \$90, [dwr.com](http://dwr.com)

## FOR THE DESIGNOPHILE

*Interesting and elevated home and decor gifts for those with style in mind.*



#### Total Eclipse of the Heart

The holidays are all about sparkle and shine, so give the gift of light this year. The handcrafted concrete **Beton Eclipse lamp** (\$185) from Edmonton's Ryspot will become an instant conversation starter thanks to its unique shape and brutalist design. [ryspot.design](http://ryspot.design)



#### Note Perfect

A heady combination of white amber and vetiver finished with musk, black currant, sandalwood and vanilla, **Iván Meade's Apapacho Ce candle** (\$48) is as beautifully realized as the Victoria designer's interiors, fabrics and lifestyle goods. [switzercultcreative.com](http://switzercultcreative.com)

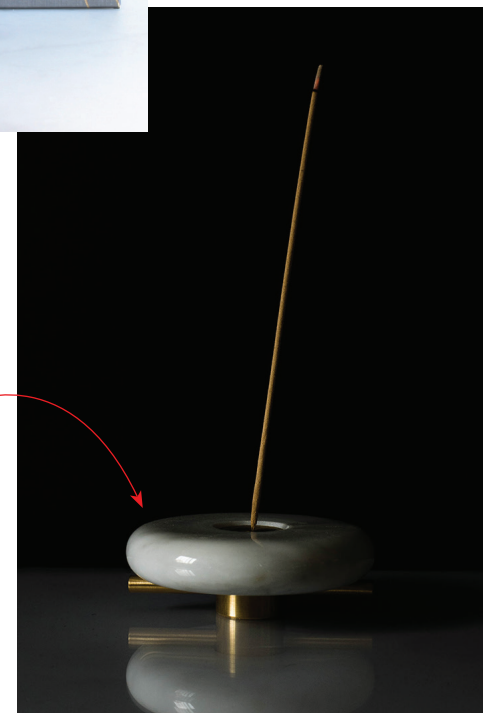


#### High Volume

With its minimal styling and vibrant colours like goldfish orange and plant green (shown), the **Stammen bluetooth speaker** by Urbanears (\$338) brings new style to the speaker scene. [nordstrom.com](http://nordstrom.com)

#### Divine Ornament

Make it a relaxing and rejuvenating holiday season for the ones you love with this luxurious marble and brass **Libertine fragrance incense altar** (\$220). Elegantly appointed with soft curved lines, it is designed to hold both cone- and stick-style incense. [libertine-fragrance.com](http://libertine-fragrance.com)







#### Now You See It

Masquerading as an objet d'art, the **Secret** (\$64), produced for Lexon by product designer Marc Venot, acts as a safe for whatever you want to store, be it money, valuables or simply your favourite candy. Right-side-up it appears to be a water-filled vessel, but flip it over and all will be revealed. [robertsweep.com](http://robertsweep.com)

#### Snake Charmer

You get the best of both worlds with the **Peyote reversible throw** (\$415). But you've got a decision to make: do you hang it on the wall to admire the design, or wrap it around you because it's 100-percent baby alpaca wool? [providehome.com](http://providehome.com)



#### The Gift of Sleep

Launched earlier this year, Vancouver-based Last Light Collection produces **all-linen bedding** (full sets from \$660; duvet covers from \$298) made from flax spun in Italy and woven in Portugal. The colours—navy, sun-bleached white and driftwood grey—are inspired by the West Coast. [lastlightcollection.com](http://lastlightcollection.com)



#### Cup of Joy

Every **Pen Pot** (\$52) from Copenhagen-based Studio Arhoj is hand-dipped and glazed, supplying a vibrant home for pens, pencils and paintbrushes alike. Pots measure about four inches in diameter and are available in a dozen colourways. [thefordstore.com](http://thefordstore.com)



#### Designer Pick

**ELENA DEL BUCCHIA**  
Elena Del Bucchia Design,  
Calgary

*"For the kids or kids at heart! Seletti is one of my favourite brands, as they know how to add the right amount of whimsical twist to their products. These submarine bathroom sets are so fun and kids love playing with them. They are magnetic and kids don't seem to mind washing their hands or brushing their teeth around a colourful submarine that holds all kinds of treasures."*



**Submarino**, \$98,  
[dadeloft.com](http://dadeloft.com)

#### Paper Roses

Available in a variety of colours, patterns and sizes, **Octaveo's paper vases** (small, \$25; large, \$32) at Dade Art and Design Lab make a novel hostess gift. Take any container, fill halfway with water, slip the paper vase overtop and add flowers. [dadeartanddesignlab.com](http://dadeartanddesignlab.com)





## FOR THE ENTERTAINER

Handpicked products for your favourite home chefs, foodies and “let me get you another cocktail” hosts.

### High Tea

A collaboration between Vancouver's Hinterland Design and artist Genevieve Dionne, these **limited-edition tea sets** (\$350) are thoughtfully detailed with copper handles, walnut knobs and a coordinating tray. [hinterlanddesign.com](http://hinterlanddesign.com)



### Smoke Show

Tom Dixon's #trending smoked-glass **Tank whisky decanter** (\$150) and **glasses** (\$95 for the pair) elevate any fireside entertaining. [holtrenfrew.com](http://holtrenfrew.com)



### Block Party

For their latest series of serving boards made from wood salvaged from fallen trees around Vancouver and other parts of B.C., Bowyer and Toulson have added an **extra-long charcuterie board** (approximately 24 by 7 inches; \$150) that's ready to work the holiday party. [bowyerandtoulson.com](http://bowyerandtoulson.com)



### Top Brass

Designed by Italy's Daniel Debiassi and Federico Sandri, the **Collar thermo bottle** (\$55) for Stelton is matte Teflon-covered steel with a smooth-as-liquid brass lid. [providehome.com](http://providehome.com)



### Designer Pick

**KEVIN MITCHELL**  
Mitchell Design House,  
Calgary

*"I think it's always fun to give someone the gift of experience, and what better way than to give them an evening of learning to cook like a pro? It's even more fun if you book yourself a spot at the same event so you can experience it together."*

**Cooking Classes**,  
from \$85,  
[cookbookcooks.com](http://cookbookcooks.com)



### Look Sharp

For the chef who views knives as works of art, enter the **Knife Fight** (\$90). Available in black walnut, ash and white oak, this sleek wall-mounted magnetic attachment will keep blades in good shape and kitchen counters clear. [oliverapt.com](http://oliverapt.com)

### Daily Grind

Fashioned from stone and beechwood, **Castor Design's Crux marble mortar and pestle** for UmbraShift (\$100) is our pick for the world's most beautiful, versatile kitchen implement. [vanspecial.com](http://vanspecial.com); [guildhallhome.com](http://guildhallhome.com)



### Raising the Bar

This debut bean-to-bar **Fabric collection from Jacek Chocolate** (\$10.50) uses ethically sourced cocoa beans that have been sorted, roasted and refined in-house in Sherwood Park, Alberta. There are three bars in the collection—our pick is the 90% from the Dominican Republic with rock sugar. [jacekchocolate.com](http://jacekchocolate.com)



### Bitter Sweet

For the mixologist in your life: the handcrafted, all-natural bitters in the **Token natural bitters sampler set** (\$36) will help add depth and personality to just about any cocktail party. Made in Edmonton, each aromatic is named after a neighbourhood in the city. Sample the Strathcona Orange, Whyte Lavender, Ritchie Cherry or Calder Chai. [tokenbitters.com](http://tokenbitters.com)



### Table Talk

The **Garrido stoneware set** for EQ3 (\$86 per set) features organic shapes with simple sophistication. Crafted in a matte finish of grey or terracotta, this standout collection is suitable for everyday as well as special occasions. [eq3.com](http://eq3.com)



### Designer Pick

**GILLIAN SEGAL**  
Gillian Segal Design,  
Vancouver



**Vitruvi Diffuser**,  
\$119,  
[vitruvi.ca](http://vitruvi.ca)

*"2018 was the year of the diffuser for me. After having my baby, I wanted a home fragrance that was non-toxic and relaxing. I bought a Vitruvi diffuser and have used it almost every day since. Not only does the diffuser help humidify a room, there are also amazing benefits to essential oils. Doesn't hurt that they are also incredibly beautifully designed, and a Vancouver company to boot! It's the perfect gift for anyone on your list."*

### Wonder Wrap

One of our favourite kitchen essentials, **Abeego food wraps** (\$18 for set of three) can be used over and over to cover plates and store veggies (magically keeping produce looking fresher, longer) thanks to a constitution of breathable beeswax, tree resin and organic jojoba oil infused into hemp and organic cotton cloths. And did we mention Abeego hails from Victoria? [canada.abeego.com](http://canada.abeego.com)



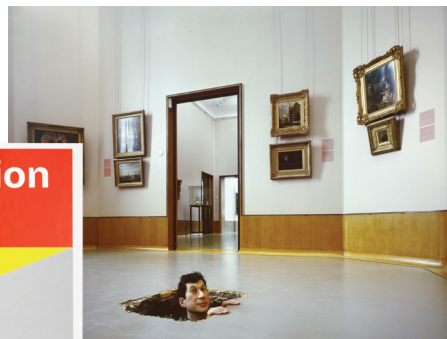
### Cookie Royale

Like mom's, but better. Give the gift of fresh-baked cookies with an elegantly packaged and fuss-free kit from one of Canada's top bakeries. This **Duchess ginger cookie kit** (\$20) includes almost all of the ingredients and easy step-by-step instructions. [duchessbakeshop.com](http://duchessbakeshop.com)



## Destination Art

500 Artworks Worth the Trip  
PHAIDON



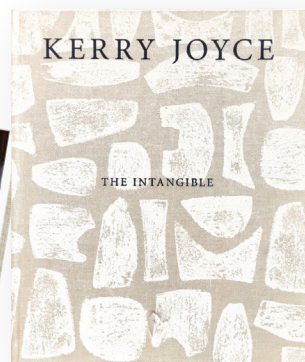
### World Tour

Organized by continent, **Destination Art** (Phaidon, \$45) catalogues some 500 works of permanently installed modern and contemporary art to see on your next holiday—or to simply admire from home. [Indigo.ca](http://indigo.ca)



## FOR THE BOOKWORM

*Curl up by the fire with one of these design-focused reads.*



### Set Piece

In his gorgeous debut book, **The Intangible** (Pointed Leaf Press, \$121.50), Emmy-award winning designer Kerry Joyce showcases the subtle art of turning houses into homes. [Indigo.ca](http://indigo.ca)



### House Call

**This Is Home** (Hardie Grant, \$57) takes readers around the world in 15 homes, each one selected for its effortless, slow-living style. [Indigo.ca](http://indigo.ca)



## Designer Pick

**SUMER SINGH**  
Mtharu, Calgary

*"This is my go-to notebook for everything from everyday sketches to meeting notes. I am on my third notebook from Bindewerk, which makes all its products in Germany. The rugged and tough cover and the elastic pen holder on the side and pouch in the back of the notebook make it a functional item that I can't live without."*



**Notebook Basic by Bindewerk**, from \$28, [recessshop.ca](http://recessshop.ca)



## Designer Pick

**JAMIE BANFIELD**  
Jamie Banfield Design, Vancouver

*"The new Apple watch is one of my faves this season. They have thought of everyone from all athletic abilities, as well as health and safety. If the watch detects a fall, it can call 911; it can also watch for heart attacks, and you can monitor your heartbeat and send the PDF to your doctor on the spot."*

**Apple Watch Series 4**, from \$520, [bestbuy.ca](http://bestbuy.ca)



## BRIAN GLUCKSTEIN

*the art of home*



### Pretty On the Page

**Brian Gluckstein: The Art of Home** (Figure 1, \$45) brings the legendary Canadian designer's work into one beautiful volume, showcasing stunning interiors alongside equally inspirational advice from the man himself. [figure1publishing.com](http://figure1publishing.com)

### Stay Awhile

In **Homebody** (Harper Collins, \$30) designer Joanna Gaines promises to help create spaces you "never want to leave"—but we'll have to put down this beautiful tome first. [indigo.ca](http://indigo.ca)



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