Give Gift of Great Memories!

The Best Gifts Don't Come in a Box

Need gift ideas this holiday

season? Give your loved ones gifts they'll never forget. "Stuff" eventually ends up in the landfill, but memories last a lifetime. Think beyond the box and give one of these fun experiences:

For the sports fan

Game tickets for their favorite team. Tip: Minor league and college games cost a lot less than pro games and can be just as fun.

For the workout lover

Gym membership, fitness class, yoga pass for a month, massage or a personal trainer session. *Tip: Sign up yourself as well you can be workout buddies!*

For the outdoor enthusiast

Buy annual County park passes or plan an excursion, like a hike along the coast or a bike tour. Don't forget snacks!

Tip: Create your own gift certificate and offer several dates.

For the thrill seeker

Rock climbing, kayak, zipline or paddleboard outing – buy a class or rent equipment.

For the friend with family or for your own kids

Try a day of boating, horseback riding or mini-golf. Consider a gift certificate to a local ice cream or frozen yogurt shop.

For the TV binge watcher

Give a subscription to their favorite streaming service.

For the gourmet

Dinner at a special place or gift certificate for their favorite restaurant. *Tip: It can also be a dinner party at your house!*

Classes

For the cook

Give a cooking class — show someone how to prepare an heirloom recipe from your personal recipe collection.

For the aspiring homesteader

Class or workshop to learn pickling, canning, cheese-making and even fermentation.

For dancers

Dance class coupon for salsa, tango, hip hop or belly dance.

For the technology buff

Tickets to a science or tech museum or a robotics class.

For the tinkerer

A subscription to a DIY online magazine in their specific interest, or welding or metalcraft classes.

For the movie critic

Tickets to see that hot new movie – don't forget to include the popcorn.

For lovers of live performance

Tickets to a local music venue, theater or comedy show.

For the altruist

Make a donation on their behalf to a cause or organization they care about.

Outdoor Idventures

For the commuter

Buy a digital audiobook or give a subscription so they can pick their own.

For the social butterfly

Organize a group activity like bowling, roller skating, ice skating or trivia night at your local bar.

For the friend you haven't seen in a while

Invite them out to catch up!

For the aspiring musician

Instrument or voice lessons with a private teacher or a class. *Tip: Music classes are not just for kids — community colleges offer many for adults!*

For the wine lover

Invite them to a wine tasting at a local winery or book a class for the more serious oenophile. *Tip: Bring a picnic and start with a hike before you taste.*

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