

The Grapevine

Gift Ideas for Gardeners



Christmas is just around the corner and if you have been procrastinating buying presents, I'm guilty of waiting till the last minute, you might be looking for some gift ideas for the plant lover in your family. My parents have been gardening for over 40 years and it used to be a struggle finding gifts for them (now that they have a grandson they are easier to shop for). Luckily there is a wide variety of gift options available depending on what interests the plant people in your life have. If you are looking for some cool tools check out these ideas. Hopefully one of these will work for that hard to shop for person in your life.

- The Hori Hori is a unique mix between a trowel, a saw and a knife. The blade is serrated on one side and can be used to cut roots, dig and divide plants, remove weeds and the measurement markings make it easy to plant bulbs.



- For the gardener who works out in the garden, lawn or landscape a stool might be a great option. This particular picture combines a stool with a removable tool bag. Seats can help spare your knees and there are a wide variety of options of shapes, sizes and colors available.

- If your plant person loves pollinators there are a variety of options available to choose from. I personally love the idea of giving a bee house as a gift to help the native bees and provide a place for them to overwinter next fall. Bee houses come in a variety of shapes, sizes and if you want you can make your own. Another option would be "Pollinator Garden Sets" which are a variety of seeds for plants that are beneficial for



pollinators they can plant in their own gardens this spring. If they love butterflies as well, check out this cool Dahlia shaped butterfly feeder that holds a sponge with nectar for the butterflies.

- As a gardener who has a toddler that loves to help and follow around in the garden, a kid's gardening kit might be the perfect gift. My little guy loves to water, pull weeds (well we say they are weeds, sometimes they're not) and help pick the tomatoes. A tool set gives them their own tools their size to work with. The tools can also help keep them entertained while the parents get some work done.



If you are still stumped for gift ideas consider buying an Amaryllis bulb for them to plant and bloom this spring, a gift card to a local



greenhouse that they don't usually visit or offer them a "coupon" book to come help them in the garden this coming year. There are a ton of options for gifts that can be given to that hard to shop for person this season. With just a little searching you can find the perfect gift for that hard to shop for person or find the perfect idea for a gift for your self this season.

Reminders

- Be sure to water your Christmas Tree if you have it inside.
- Continue watering newly planted lawns, trees and shrubs during warm weather to encourage rooting.
- Check your houseplants for any unwanted visitors. Check the humidity levels in your house to see if you need to run a humidifier.