The O List: Mother's Day Edition

Twenty-one ways to help you celebrate a special mom in your life.

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What we know for sure: Moms deserve to be celebrated. And we don't necessarily need a holiday to do it, but Mother's Day, which became official in 1914, gives us a nudge to make the mothers in our lives feel *all* the feels. It's only fair, because as Mom used to say, every day is kids' day.

Whether you're appreciating a sister, aunt, friend, grandma, wife, or friend, we searched high and low for a thoughtful gift for that special mama in your life. There are beautiful bouquets out there, of course, but we found one that allows her to put her own arranging skills in play. Cozy pj's abound, but the ones below are beautifully printed and have stylish details. Any yummy jam would be a welcome addition to the pantry, but the made-in-France artisanal set on our list offers unexpected flavors. Is Mom into her blowouts? Our blow-dryer pick is best-in-class and will have her

smoothing and styling like a pro. And a candle is always a beloved gift—our pick is housed in a ceramic container that's *also* a work of art.

So, as you can see, we've made shopping for a unique Mother's Day gift a cinch. Scroll on, and if a few items end up in your cart with your shipping address, well, you deserve them, too.

The Lilley Line Clutch



\$50 AT LILLEYLINE.COM

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Save the black bags for winter. A breezy summer night out calls for a light-and-lively clutch. Perfect for day or night festivities, these beauties (choose from solid or striped styles) are designed in the U.S. and woven by women in El Salvador.

Bouquet Box Meaningful Blooms



\$149 AT BOUQUETBOX.COM

Sending a bouquet of flowers is a beautiful thing, but for those who'd like to give the recipient a more hands-on experience, this may be just the gift. They'll get the gorgeous farm-fresh buds plus a tool kit, vase, and instructions to DIY their way to a stunning arrangement.

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Gardeners Gift Basket by Fikkerts



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\$69 AT FIKKERTSUSA.COM

Pamper the gardener in your life with a basket (which happens to be great for harvesting!) that contains a crop of goodies to keep hands clean and fresh smelling—basil and lemon thyme hand wash, almond and orange blossom hand lotion, exfoliating soap, a nail brush, gardening gloves—plus lip balm.

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Lenora Charlotte Colorblock Cotton Pajamas



\$136 AT SHOPLENORA.COM

If there's anyone who deserves comfy-coziness at home, it's Mom! This cotton pj set is soft and breathable while also being stylish thanks to balloon sleeves and gingham printed color blocking.

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Vertly California Bloom Body Oil



\$49 AT VERTLYBALM.COM

This body oil helps treat the oft-neglected skin from the neck down to an indulgent dose of hydration. The calming cocktail of hemp oil, sweet almond oil, calendula flower, and chamomile (can you just imagine the soothing scent?) is crafted in California and will leave skin feeling silky-smooth.

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Monogram Mary Brooke Fringe Bag



\$128 AT MONOGRAMMARY.COM

Everybody has love for a good tote. This one comes in great springy shades (lavender, yellow, pink, baby blue, and more) and has fun fringe detail. Plus, it can be monogrammed so Mom feels extra special.

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Williams Sonoma Mother's Day Cake



The Williams Sonoma site says it best: "Mom takes the cake." And this confection is just the treat for a sweet Mother's Day celebration. There are four tiers of butter cake layered with strawberry filling, cream cheese frosting, and then topped with buttercream. Since it serves up to 10 people, hopefully she'll share.

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Barefoot Dreams TowelTerry Braided Slipper



\$68 AT BAREFOOTDREAMS.COM

Slippers meet sandals with this comfy style that blends a braided design with a towel-like terry cloth fabric. They have a rubber sole, so they can be worn both to lounge at home and outside by the pool.

L'or De Seraphine X Sheila Bridges Marcus Garvey Park Medium Ceramic Jar Candle



\$44 AT BLOOMINGDALE'S

Famed interior designer Sheila Bridges is known for reimagining traditional French toile with her Harlem Toile de Jouy designs. This luxe candle is both woody (guaiac and sandalwood) and floral (rose), with hints of lemon, mint, and juniper. And once the candle burns down (after about 45 hours), you're left with a stunning ceramic container to display.

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Nicolas Vahe Giftable Jams Set



\$49 AT BLOOMINGDALE'S

Jam gets all grown-up with these delectable made-in-France blends. There's coconut and passion fruit; apple, lemon, and ginger; fig, and red bell pepper; and raspberry and chili. They'll not only transform toast but can even bring some zing to pancakes, sandwiches, and charcuterie plates. *Oooh la la!*

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Nette Rose Parade Eau de Parfum Spray



\$120 AT SEPHORA

A feel-good fragrance is always a nice way to celebrate mom. This floral scent combines two different types of roses with ylang-ylang and neroli. It was inspired by the scent and scenery of Ivy League campuses in springtime, with the aroma of blooming roses wafting through the air.

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KUSSHI Signature Makeup Bag



\$69 AT NEIMAN MARCUS

\$69 AT NORDSTROM

Does Mom double as a makeup maven? This roomy, machine-washable bag comes in eight color combos and is perfect for travel, as it holds up to a whopping 15 products. Its ample opening lets you see all that's inside, and there are both mesh and zippable pockets.

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Beehive Cheese Gift Crate

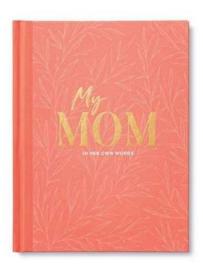


\$125 AT WILLIAMS SONOMA

You can always count on a charcuterie board to spread smiles and cheer. This cornucopia of delights combines cheese from a family-owned creamery in Utah with crackers, honey, salt-and-pepper salami, dried figs, and olive oil crackers.

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My Mom In Her Own Words Journal



At Oprah Daily we know and love a journal, and this find is extra special. Mom can record her memories, adventures, lessons, favorite holidays, and more to create a family keepsake for all to enjoy.

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A'Marie's Bath Flower Shop Sweet Blush Garden Rose



\$29 AT AMARIESBATHFLOWERSHOP.COM

Don't be fooled: These may look like garden-fresh blooms, but they're actually made from soap. Functional and fun, each handmade bud has 30 petals (scented with amber, lily, and woody notes) that can be torn off and used for hand washing or in the bath or shower.

Dyson Supersonic Hair Dryer



\$430 AT DYSON

\$430 AT NORDSTROM

\$430 AT ULTA BEAUTY

Meet the Rolls-Royce of blow-dryers. Why, you ask? It's super high-tech, with Dyson's signature digital motor and features like high-velocity airflow (to dry hair fast) and regulated heat control to prevent damage. Last but definitely not least, there are five different attachments to help Mom create just about any dreamy 'do.

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\$179 AT MARK AND GRAHAM

Great for a summer getaway, this backgammon set is not only portable, with a latched closure, but it's made of a cool raffia-inspired material that'll surely bring some glam to game night.

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Kosterina Extra Virgin Olive Oil Duo



Not all olive oil is created equally. The olives in Kosterina's extra-virgin oil are harvested in southern Greece before they've ripened, which gives them higher levels of antioxidant-rich polyphenol (the good stuff that reduces inflammation). The set includes an olive oil great for cooking and one best for drizzling on salads and other dishes.

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Ome Hailey Bracelet



\$75 AT OME-OME.COM

Simply sophisticated, this is a bracelet that will suit any style. A freshwater pearl floats on an adjustable silk thread, which comes in a bunch of colors. It'll be a welcome addition to any arm party.

Electra Loft 7D Women's Bike



\$650 AT REI

Gifting Mom with a scenic tour of the French countryside may not be an option, but a European-style commuter bike might be a sporty alternative. It's lightweight, with seven speeds, and comes in a seafoam green that's très chic!

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Sugarfina Floral 3-Piece Bento Box



\$32 AT BLOOMINGDALE'S

\$32 AT SAKS FIFTH AVENUE

\$32 AT MACY'S

Here's a cheery gift idea: a trio of sweets for your sweet. She'll get rosé and peach bellini gummies and lemon shortbread cookies that come prettily presented in a floral box.

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