

### Holiday Gifts for Gardeners

Is there a gardener you would like to treat this holiday season? Take a stroll through your local nursery and you'll find many delightful ideas. The following suggestions are to help you jump-start your gift list this year.

#### Tools

- Brooms
- Brushes
- Bulb planter
  - Lawn aerator
- Long handled loppers for fruit trees
- Lopping shears – ratchet type
- Pruners – ratchet type
- Pruning saw
- Rakes
- Scissors for cutting tape or string
- Shovels
- Soil pH kit
- Sprayers for various potions
- Trowels of various sizes (the more the better...they are so easily misplaced)
- Water nozzles
- Wheelbarrow or garden cart

#### Gloves

- Cloth – several pairs to have in various places around yard
- Cloth – to put on lotion-covered hands at night
- Combination rubber/cloth for weeding
- Kid or lambskin for rose enthusiasts
- Rubber/latex for greenhouse enthusiasts (working with planting mixes)

#### Ache Prevention

- Bucket with canvas tool belt and seat

- Hand care essentials – cotton gloves, cuticle remover, hand lotion, nail brush, and pumice soap
- Knee pads
- Kneeling cushions – more than one is nice
- Low-sitting scooter – saves back and knees (useful for weeding or pruning vines)

## Novelty Gifts

- Baskets for harvesting vegetables or flowers
- Bird bath
- Bird feeder and accessories
- Compost bin
- Evergreen tree (wrap pot with colorful foil and add decorations)
- Garden art... gazing ball, statues
- Gift certificate to local garden store
- Pond supplies
- Pretty bowl filled with potpourri from your garden
- Rain gauge
- Outdoor thermometer
- Water fountain
- Worm bin and supply of red worms

## Clothing

- Boots or clogs
- Canvas apron – with pockets to hold tools – decorate to make personal
- Mobile phone carrier to wear while out in garden
- Hooded raincoat
- Large brim hat
- Umbrella hat

## Reading Material

- Audubon books
- Encyclopedia of gardening or plants
- Book on a specific plant species, like roses, hostas, tulips, etc.
- Subscription to garden magazine
- Sunset Problem Solver – book or software
- Sunset Western Garden – book or software
- Videos on gardening topics

- Weed identification book

## Stocking Stuffers

- Gloves
- Houseplant tools (these are small enough to fit in a stocking)
- Moisture meter
- Seed dispenser
- Seed packets
- Seed saving supplies
- Small scissors for thinning fruit or cutting flowers
- Soap for cleaning and soothing dirty hands
- Soil thermometer
- Vine clips