

Get creative with gift choices this holiday season



Woodcraft Public Relations Manager Lori Harper adds color to a woodburned design created with the Peter Child Artist's Pyrography Machine, a holiday gift idea from Woodcraft.

This year make some holiday gifts or give presents that foster creativity in your family and friends. Woodcraft offers many choices for creative gift-giving, as well as more traditional tools and accessories for woodworkers and DIYers.

Woodburning and Wood-carving

Pyrography, commonly called woodburning, involves the use of a heated pen to "burn" designs and pictures into wood. This popular technique can be applied to furniture, cabinets, boxes, and other wood pieces.

The Peter Child Artist's Pyrography Machine from Robert Sorby is the perfect tool to help someone on your gift list learn woodburning. Woodcraft Product Man-

ager Ben Bice describes it as "one of the best plug and play pyrography machines on the market and super easy to use." Powerful enough to create dense textures and patterns, its lightweight pen delivers perfect balance for the finest detail work.

Bütz Carving and Detail Knives are an extraordinary value for novice and experienced woodcarvers. Made in Germany exclusively for Woodcraft, these knives provide carvers with carving tools that are easier to hold, more efficient in cutting and safer to use.

"The Danish Art of Whittling Snitte," a 128-page book by Danish woodsman Frank Egholm, introduces young and old alike to whittling through templates and instructions for creating small

birds.

Knife Making and Sharp-ening

Use the Camillus HT-7 Fixed Blade Knife Kit to make a custom knife as a gift — or give the kit as a gift. The HT-7, a perfect knife for use in the outdoors, is constructed from 5□32" Titanium Bonded® cutlery-grade steel and has been through-hardened to hold an edge. Kit comes with blade, screw-together rivets and fitted black nylon sheath. Scale (handle) material and epoxy are sold separately.

For the chefs on your list, pair a ZHEN Premium 67-Layer Damascus Steel Knife Blank with your preference in handle material to create a custom "parer" or paring knife with a 35/16"-long blade. Blanks are also available for a cleaver and nakiri, chef's, santoku, and bread knives. Handle material comes in a wide range of woods.

King Combination Japanese Waterstones are a great value — two stones for nearly the price of one. Three grit combos (8" x 2" x 1" 250/1000-grit; 8" x 2" x 1" 1000/6000-grit; 7-1/4" x 2-1/2" x 11" 1200/8000-grit) will cover most of your sharpening needs.

Working Efficiently

For the home maintenance and repair experts on your list, consider one of the following tools.

• The Kreg Mobile Project Center (KWS1000) is a workbench, sawhorse, assembly table, and clamping station all in one that provides a versatile, sturdy work space for DIY, repair and woodworking projects. It's easy to set up and folds to just 61□2" thick to

store away,

• Light up a work area with the Stonepoint Rechargeable 1200-Lumen LED Work Light that provides 1200 lumens (high) or 600 lumens (low) of natural white light. Place the light on any flat surface using the kickstand that doubles as a handle or hanger.

• Great for a variety of household and shop refinishing projects, the Porter-Cable Restorer Handheld Drum Sander with Attachments is ideally designed to remove paint and finish from wood, brick and fiberglass. It also removes rust and polishes metal.

• The Kapro 946 Smarty Level has an accuracy rate up to 0.0005" (0.5mm) and gradient lines for measurements up to 2 percent. Leave that bulky 12" level hanging on the rack; this level is only 4" and clips onto your belt.

• Japanese style pull saws are easier to use than traditional handsaws, and the Ryoba style — crosscut on one side and ripcut on the other side — is especially popular. Woodcraft Product Manager Kent Harpool's favorite is the Ryoba 180mm Razorsaw.

"When I have to cut something, this is the first saw I reach for," says Harpool.

• Simple to use and clean, the HOMERIGHT Finish Max HVLP Sprayer will spray most solvent and water-based products — latex paint, milk paint, chalk paint, furniture paint, stains and finishes — whether on a trellis, an Adirondack chair or a fence.

To learn more about these and other products, visit your local Woodcraft store, call (800) 535-4482 or visit www.woodcraft.com.

What's new and noteworthy for gifting the cook this holiday season

(MS) — There's never been a more exciting time to gift a seasoned or novice home cook. The rise in popularity of all things culinary has raised the bar on product innovation, craftsmanship, convenience, quality, and attractive styling. When seeking cookware gifts for friends and family, here are a few new collections to consider.



**Anolon® Accolade™ (\$49.99 - \$499.99)** – Gourmet-chef-worthy, this new forged hard-anodized collection features Anolon's best nonstick. The triple-layer, sapphire-reinforced, metal-utensil-safe nonstick provides optimal food release and lasts more than 16 times longer than traditional nonstick cookware. Patented Precision-Forge™ technology puts the metal where cooks need it most – in the thicker base, slimmer side walls, and heavy-duty rims. The Accolade collection is induction suitable, dishwasher safe, and oven safe to 500°F.



**Anolon® Nouvelle Copper Luxe™ (\$39.99 - \$399.99)** – Styled in rich Sable or elegant Onyx, this collection features durable, hard-anodized aluminum construction and a heavy duty multi-layer base crafted with copper for excellent heat conductivity. With premium nonstick on the interior and exterior, this collection is completely dishwasher safe, and the Unity Surface® of flat, easy-clean rivets means easier clean-up. Oven-safe to 500°F, all stovetop suitable, including induction, dishwasher safe, and beautiful.



**Circulon® Symmetry® Merlot (\$49.99 - \$299.99)** – Perfect to complement holiday décor, the popular Symmetry collection is now available in warm, sophisticated Merlot. Crafted from hard-anodized aluminum, a material that is twice as hard as stainless steel, this collection features the TOTAL® Nonstick System with premium-quality nonstick that lasts 10 times longer than ordinary nonstick coatings. Heat-resistant, silicone-wrapped stainless-steel handles offer a comfortable and secure grip, and the cookware is dishwasher safe and oven safe to 400°F. (Also available in Black and Chocolate.)



**Farberware® Copper Glide™ (\$17.99 - \$79.99)** – Offered in Black, Blue or Copper, this collection is crafted in fast and even heating aluminum. The copper color interior features CopperSlide™ Technology, a 2-layer long-lasting ceramic nonstick with 90 percent better food release than other ceramic cookware. This durable cookware is dishwasher safe for easy cleanup and oven safe to 350°F.



**Ayesha™ Home Collection Porcelain Enamel in Brown Sugar (\$17.99 - \$139.99)** – Also available in Twilight Teal, Sienna Red, and, new for this year, Basil Green, the all-metal construction of this hard-working and exceptionally attractive, dishwasher safe cookware allows cooks to start meals on the stove, finish in a hot oven (collection is oven safe to 500°F), and serve straight from the oven to the table.



**Rachael Ray™ Porcelain Enamel in Sea Salt Gray (\$29.99 - \$149.99)** – This stylish, two-tone cookware features fast and even-heating aluminum construction, durable nonstick interiors, grippy handles, and shatter-resistant glass lids. Dishwasher safe and oven safe to 350°F, this popular collection is available in a rainbow of colors, including Orange, Red, Marine Blue, Blue, Purple, Green and Fennel.

For more information on Anolon, Circulon, Farberware, Ayesha, and Rachael Ray cookware collections, please visit [www.PotsandPans.com](http://www.PotsandPans.com).

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