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GREEN WEDNESDAY GIFT GUIDE

BY LA WEEKLY

Green Wednesday is upon us, one of our favorite days of the gifting season! Happening every Wednesday before Thanksgiving, it’s a day to celebrate everyone’s favorite cousin, Mary Jane, and the effortless chill vibe she exudes over everything. If you love cannabis and need a little something to get you through the holidays, this is one day that you should pay attention to.

Every year, the best cannabis companies unveil incredible products and sales to accompany Green Wednesday, to make sure loyal consumers like you have the best holiday weekend possible. From vapes and oils, to flower and topicals, here is our Green Wednesday Gift Guide with all our favorites:

HUNI BADGER
The Huni Badger Vertical Vaporizer is one of the hottest gifts this holiday season, as it has become the go-to everyday dabbing device because of its simple use and convenient design. The advanced ceramic HuniTips highlight the Huni Badger’s quick and clean heating – dabs ready within seconds! Rechargeable 18650 batteries are clutch and an easy swap when power runs low. Comes with various attachments to connect your own custom glass piece onto the Huni Badger, whether it’s a bong or bubbler. Backed by Huni Badger’s 3-year warranty – fear no extract with Huni Badger everywhere!

SAVING SOMEWHAT
California’s first-ever fast-acting cannabis chocolate bars, Satori Singles pair socially responsible chocolate with cutting-edge cannabinoid science to create a delicious edible experience.

Upgraded to bring on euphoric effects much more quickly, Satori chocolate bars get boosted by a nano-emulsifier, enabling cannabinoids to be absorbed efficiently. Enjoy the mouthwatering taste of sustainably-sourced Latin American cacao while you get higher, faster, compared to traditional edibles.

Paired with Satori’s “Cannabis Chocolate Recipes” booklet, you can learn how to make decadent homemade desserts dosed with just the right amount of THC. Visit their website for more recipes!

www.satorichocolates.com

HEMP BOMBS
Created by Global Widget – creative and passionate professionals on a mission to deliver top-notch natural health products to a global community – Hemp Bombs is a premium brand with an array of CBD products designed to fit your unique needs.

Their CBD, or Cannabidiol, is sourced from premium-grade Industrial Hemp grown in the U.S., and they’re constantly updating their product line to better serve you. Whether you’re looking for CBD Gummies, CBD Oil, CBD Capsules, CBD Vape Oil or another Hemp Bombs CBD product, you’ve come to the right place. Make use of their Rewards Program where you can earn points towards discounts and work your way up to Gold Status. You can also save money with subscription purchases – up to 20% when you subscribe for monthly orders. Use code LAWEekly25 for 25% off sitewide

ENVY CBD
ENVY CBD is a holistic wellness and lifestyle brand offering Full Spectrum CBD legal for all 50 states. Based in Colorado, Minnesota and Oregon, their farms use organic, pesticide-free practices and natural sunlight to grow their beautiful, proprietary plants. They use Ethanol-based extraction methods to help ensure the most natural, clean products for their customers.

Single-origin, in the context of ENVY CBD, is known as farm-to-table manufacturing. Farm-to-table is the full control of the cultivation, extraction and manufacturing process to ensure that all ENVY CBD products maintain the highest-quality standards while minimizing the environmental impact.

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THE HIGHER PATH
www.thehigherpath.com

KAT’S NATURALS
Find your Zen this holiday season with Kat’s Naturals ZEN CBD!

It’s been a stressful year, but let’s end it with a BANG! Celebrate the holidays at Calma with HUGE discounts! Select flower strains, edibles, vapes, concentrates and more up to 50% off! The best cannabis discounts you’ve seen all year! Also check out their perfect-for-the-holiday’s items like cannabis-infused Wine by Viv & Oak, delicious Peppermint Bark from Mellows, Red Velvet Cookies from Dr. Norm’s, and fun stocking stuffers like infused pre-rolls and single serving tea bags.

www.calmawesthollywood.com

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www.greenunicornfarms.com
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The Claybourne Flyers 20 Pack – California's largest pre-roll pack. Crafted with Claybourne's signature quality, Flyers pre-rolls are made with premium indoor flower and naturally infused with kief to enhance your inbound experience.

This vintage style tin houses 20 half gram, strain specific, pre-rolls without over-the-top lab-made extracts, distillates or oils. Fly higher knowing your pre-rolls are unprocessed and rolled straight from the plant into natural, un-bleached papers, totally chlorine free and calcium carbonate free.

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www.hifihops.com

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www.abx.org/sleep

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Don't hold your breath, use NodorFresh! Okay, so this one isn't weed. But it does come in handy for those of you that smoke and keep flower. NodorFresh products build on the understanding that the sense of smell is a powerful brain and nervous system trigger of emotion, memory, mood, feelings and even behavior. Through meticulous development, they arrived at a simple mission: give individuals the portable power to attack and eliminate odor molecules within their personal space. The result is a proprietary, odor molecule-crushing formula that is safe and effective and that has no equal. Simply put, spritz it a bit and it leaves no trace of scent. They Take The Stank Out Of Dank.

www.nodorfresh.com

**JOY ORGANICS**

Give the gift of self care with Joy Organics' premium CBD. Joy Organics' Self Care Bundle includes 4 lavender-scented CBD bath bombs for a luxurious soaking experience, a CBD salve stick that offers topical relaxation and relief on the go, and CBD cream to pamper your skin this holiday season. This bundle is perfect for those people on your holiday gift-giving list who seem impossible to buy for, or already appear to have everything.

Use code LAWEELY at checkout for 20% off your order. And while you’re at it, add another bundle to your cart for yourself ... you deserve it!

**WYLOW**

WYLOW offers exotic cannabis flowers for the conscious cannabis connoisseur. Based in Los Angeles, WYLOW is a female-owned and operated company created in 2020 as an inclusive brand intended for all. WYLOW’s MAC 1 is a creamy hybrid strain with a calming effect, and the Lemon Kush Mints indica strain has a minty flavor with a euphoric effect. Powered by Voyage Distribution, WYLOW can tap into a network of 250+ cultivators to bring a high-end product directly to the consumer. WYLOW is also part of The Floret Coalition, an anti-racist collective of small businesses in the cannabis space.

Spend your holiday season immersed in the World of WYLOW.

www.shopwyllow.com

**CONNECTED**

Connected Cannabis Co. is where you want to go if you’re looking for some true designer weed. Their 100% fresh-frozen, full-spectrum live resin, disposable pod packs a mighty punch. Because it contains their flower, it’s much more potent than the traditional carts on the market. It’s an authentic representation of the true strain compounds, with cannabinoids and terpenes that are never separated, and absolutely nothing additional ever added.

The best part? It’s discreet and convenient (the same size as a lighter)!

www.connectedcannabisco.com

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The choice of which CBD to buy is an easy one! 7 Hempzorb81® Full Spectrum Hemp CBD Oil is made with Purzorb® technology, a process takes oil-based ingredients and makes them highly and quickly “bioavailable” to the body without changing their efficacy and structure by mimicking how the body breaks down nutrients for absorption. 7 has the industry leading, fastest onset of action of 15 minutes compared to 90 minutes for traditional oil. In clinical studies, Hempzorb81® lowered people’s anxiety from 5 to 2 on the scale with significant improvements in sleep.

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URSA EXTRACTS

Get ready to make the dabber or vape cartridge lover on your list very impressed. There’s a new cartridge on the cannabis block, and it’s fully ceramic. Engineered for the cleanest and safest experience, URSA’s innovative cartridge is literally liquified live resin, making it the freshest, cleanest cartridge money can buy.

URSA Extracts got their start when they won silver at the High Times Bay Area Cannabis Cup for Indica Live Resin in 2019. Determined to put live resin quality into cartridge form, the extractors at URSA invented a process of liquifying live resin and they custom-designed a ceramic cart to house the oil. Word has traveled fast in the THC cartridge community that this cart is changing the game. URSA Liquid Diamond Sauce is taking California by storm.

SOJI HEALTH

Relax into the HoliDaze and treat yourself to the amazing taste of Soji Health’s new Vegan CBD gummies made with organic ingredients. All of their products are third party tested and the Certificates of Analysis are readily available on their website.

Soji Health is a BIPOC, women-owned business determined to pave the way for you to experience the many life changing benefits of Broad Spectrum CBD. Their collection includes a full skincare regimen, vegan gummies, and pharmaceutical-grade sublingual oils. Go to sojihealth.com to get 40% off sitewide and free nationwide shipping with coupon code: LAWEEKLY40

GENIUS PIPE

Naughty is so nice. Looking for a truly unique gift idea for the cannabis enthusiast in your life? There is no better gift than the sleek, modern Genius Pipe. The Genius Pipe cools and filters like a water pipe using technology developed for high-speed computers, delivering a smooth cool hit every time. Ultra portable and stealthy, the Genius Pipe fits perfectly in your pocket, bag or purse and looks like a gorgeous fashion accessory. For these difficult days, the Genius Pipe can be thoroughly disinfected and cleaned in a matter of seconds. Give the Gift of Genius. www.geniuspipe.com

PINEAPPLE EXPRESS

Home for the holidays? Celebrate the season with e-gift cards from Pineapple Express!

This thoughtful gift from L.A.’s premier cannabis delivery service is guaranteed to delight with a stocking full of top-shelf offerings. And whether you’re naughty or nice, you can always choose from the hottest Flower, Vape, Edibles, Pre-Rolls, Concentrates and more. Cards come in $50 increments and are securely delivered right to your phone for easy sharing – but you might be tempted to keep one for yourself!

Enjoy fast delivery, cashless transactions, superior service, wide selection and always Free Delivery all at PineappleExpress.com.

EMJAY

Since we’re all about to be extremely at home this holiday season, getting your cannabis delivered straight to your doorstep is a no-brainer – especially considering Emjay offers weekly deals on all of the best and trusted brands, no delivery fees, and no markups on any products, meaning you’ll pay the same or less as you would at the dispensary. That also means there’s literally no reason not to get your cannabis delivered with Emjay.

Visit www.heyemjay.com and use code LAWEEKLY20 for $20 off your first order.

FAB CBD

FAB CBD set out to create the best CBD salve in the industry, and boy did they ever. With their formula, heating and cooling effect, 1000mg & 3000mg options, and of course affordability, this product is perfect for active lifestyles, cold weather days, cramps, and over-run Zoom meeting neck strain.

FAB CBD is premium CBD Oil you can trust, made from organically grown, lab tested, Colorado hemp. Simple, pure, it’s a gift to give your body.

CREAM OF THE CROP GARDENS

Experience excellence this holiday season with Cream of the Crop’s limited edition gift set.

Uniquely numbered to commemorate this one-of-a-kind collection, this set includes an eighth of small-batch exclusive flower, the premier release of the COTC Diamond Barrel, and luxury smoking accessories; all coming together for the perfect holiday craft cannabis experience.
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HOLIDAY CANNABIS GIFT GUIDE 2020

Here is a full rundown of some of our top picks for the best cannabis stocking stuffers of 2020

BY JIMI DEVINE

It's been another year of innovation in the cannabis space but this year the classics are getting a second as well on our annual Holiday Season Cannabis Gift Guide.

On this year's list, you'll find a full spread of options to add a little THC to the presents you're grabbing for family and friends. Whether you're looking to secure the edible for that finicky eater, or papers for someone that can't even roll their own joints, we've got you covered.

RAW HANDS FREE SMOKER

While the Raw Hands Free Smoker might seem like one of the more absurd accessories to drop this holiday season, it's shockingly functional and well thought out. I admit when I saw the announcement I thought it was a joke, but once I stuck a backwoods in it I was sold. Now it's certainly not for everyone, but if you have someone in your life who struggles to try and burn one down while playing video games this may be the answer. Raw notes on their website you can now smoke hands free while “gaming, typing, giving your partner a foot massage, or making brownies”!

Rawfoundation.com

DR. NORM'S HANUKKAH COOKIES

While Christmas-themed pot edibles are now par for the course in our third holiday season into legal cannabis in California, the homies in the tribe have not always had as many selections to enjoy eight nights in a row. Fear not! Dr. Norm's just announced it will release the world's first Hanukkah cookie edible. The company's brother and sister founders Jeff Koz and Roberta Wilson figured helping many folks from catching the dreaded Wook Flu. The body count for COVID-19 is certain - ly higher than wook flu at this point, so it's not that hard if you're hustling them on Instagram. The things we'll do to smoke a cigar that tastes like gasoline and bananas. According to Ranker, Russian Cream is the most popular flavor these days with vanilla and grape at its heels. The lower the humidity where you live, the better your experience regardless of how it may look. They're probably right, so you might as well get the Phreedom's carbon filter eats you exhale the Phreedom's carbon filter eats up the vapor. Each one is said to be good for about 100 rips, but if you have a cousin in the flyovers where they haven't caught up with us on pot policy yet this is a fantastic and thoughtful option.

Philterlabs.com

MOOSE LABS MOUTHPIECE

Back when The Sesh Scene ruled the cannabis event space before being crushed under the boot of Sacramento's regulatory might, Moose Labs Mouthpiece helped prevent many folks from catching the dreaded Wook Flu. The body count for COVID-19 is certainly higher than wook flu at this point, so it's no surprise to see the Mouthpiece making a comeback. If you don't want to carry around a box of disposable alcohol wipes - if you can even find them given the circumstances – the Mouthpiece is an excellent option for being as sanitary as possible in a rotation with friends.

MooseLabs.us

RUNTZ X COMPOUND GENETICS SEED DROP

The Gods of Clout do not skip out on the holiday season. This year they are blessing us with a massive new seed collaboration from Runtz and Compound Genetics. Why the excitement? Runtz was the last great strain of the 2010s and Compound Genetics' sensational recent drops have really got cultivators to take notice. The drop features a wide selection of Compound's heat paired with White Runtz. Some of the ones that scream potential to us include the Yoyoz, which pairs The Y and White Runtz. Another is Rose Gold Runtz, which is Apples and Bananas x White Runtz. Keep an eye out for these to start blowing up by summer.

compound-genetics.com

VOLCANO GOLD CLASSIC 20TH ANNIVERSARY LIMITED EDITION

While many a PR company would try and convince you what the finest vaporizer on the market is, Storz & Bickel's Volcano Vaporizer has reigned supreme for 20 years. I was first introduced to them in 2005, and in the 15 years since I've never come across a more effective tool for using cannabis in a healthy way with instantaneous results. The company is doing a limited release of 100 24-Karat gold-plated Volcano Classics commemorating the 20th anniversary of Storz & Bickel. In addition to the special editions being numbered, they include exclusive packaging, limited edition merchandise and a USB containing a commemorative documentary released in collaboration with Rolling Stone magazine. The official drop date is December 3 at 7 a.m. EST, and it will set you back $999.

www.storz-bickel.com/signature-volcano

EXOTIC BACKWOODS FLAVORS

We're not totally sure there is anything more fun than finding a box of exotic flavored backwoods in your stocking on Christmas morning. You've even created your own underground economy of random dudes getting boxes shipped in from Russia then hustling them on Instagram. The things we'll do to smoke a cigar that tastes like vanilla and bananas. According to Ranker, Russian Cream is the most popular flavor these days with vanilla and grape at its heels. The lower the humidity where you live, the better your experience regardless of how it may look. They're probably right, so you might as well get the Phreedom's carbon filter eats up the vapor. Each one is said to be good for about 100 rips, but if you have a cousin in the flyovers where they haven't caught up with us on pot policy yet this is a fantastic and thoughtful option.

Philterlabs.com

VIBES CUBANO CONES

For those people in your life that are basically a walking incinerator that can't roll a joint, a box of Vibes Cubano Cone is one of the best gifts you can give to complement their oversized love of marijuana. Each Cubano Cone can hold over 8 grams of pot. This makes them great for weekend group activities or smoked to the face on a random Tuesday afternoon. The cones have no added calcium carbonate and feature an all-natural sealing gum from the Acacia tree.

Vibepapers.com

KIVA LOST FARM STRAIN SPECIFIC LIVE RESIN INFUSED EDIBLES

The era of strain-specific edible dosing is quickly dawning. Kiva, one of the state's original players in the micrdosing phenomenon that would eventually become law plans on keeping its seat at the cutting edge table with live ren infused fruit chews and gummies. Both the chews and gummies come in 10MG THC per dose and 100MG THC per package - five times stronger than that chocolate blueberry that convinced grandma she was seeing dragons. They'll be available all over town, but you can hit Kiva's website if you want them delivered straight to their door.

KivaConfections.com

HOLIDAY WHITE CHOCOLATE WITH GINGER BREAD COOKIE DELIGHT PUNCH BAR

Punch Bars have been found on some of California's most reputable cannabis dispensary shelves for years, and their holiday offering for 2020 is on par with that pedigree. The limited edition bars feature 90mg of weed and creamy white chocolate on top of a homemade gingerbread cookie. Punch Bars are designed to be small enough to eat a high dose conveniently. They will be available for purchase throughout licensed California shops and on Eaze.com by November 23rd.

Punchedibles.com

KUSHMORE CLEANER

There is a real run on isopropyl alcohol thanks to the pandemic. Finding other options for cleaning glass is now a timely thing. With the Kushmore Cleaner you're basically looking at a dishwasher for smokeware. Once you get the full kit and cleaning solution, it only costs about a dollar per run to clean your glass using ultrasonic waves. And it only takes five minutes compared to however long you'll need to leave your bowl or bong slide in a cup of alcohol on your counter. And you won't feel like you're the guy stealing all the 99% ISO from the sick people.

http://www.kushmore.co

PLUS – SUGAR PLUM GUMMIES

Plus is releasing a special edition Strains flavor, Sugar Plum. The new Strains line celebrates the natural properties of strains by highlighting different terpenes and their effects. The Sugar Plum is a celebration of Berkeley Blues and Hawaiian Haze Plum but the line is also available in homages to Lemon Jack, Pineapple Express and Grandaddy Purple. With the Sugar Plum, you can expect flavors similar to blood orange citrus and toasted cinnamon. Plus are widely available all over. plusproductsthc.com
A health-conscious cannabis lovers, we demand that our favorite flower, vapes, edibles, and concentrates are pure, clean, and delivered with care from a trusted source, which is why we are loyal to PineappleExpress.com.

Pineapple Express delivers legal, dependable and quality cannabis that caters to your needs. Servicing both Los Angeles and Orange Counties, they offer competitive pricing with fast, discreet, and contactless service. They bring the goods to you, wherever you are, free of charge - home, work, hotel, cafe, etc.

What sets them apart? Their exclusivity. They are rigorous in the selection and testing process for not only the brands they carry, but their own line as well. Adhering to the highest standards of health and quality, natural wellness is their purest form is their commitment to their clients.

We had a (socially-distanced) sit down with the President of Pineapple Ventures, Marco Rullo, to learn more about this maverick brand:

**What's the story behind the name? As a cannabis enthusiast, you can't miss the obvious connotations with Pineapple Express.**

Obviously, most people are familiar with the movie starring Seth Rogen and James Franco. Weather buffs will know that it's also the name of a meteorological phenomenon originating from Hawaiian waters which can bring wet weather to California.

But for cannabis lovers, Pineapple Express is best known as a hard-hitting hybrid of the Trainwreck and Hawaiian strains which leaves you feeling uplifted and euphoric. That’s how we want each of our customers to feel after a Pineapple Express delivery, and how we got the inspiration for our name.

**Despite the legalization of cannabis in California, the black market still seems to be thriving. How do legal dispensaries and delivery services like Pineapple Express compete in this environment?**

With the addition of State and municipal taxes, legal cannabis is priced higher than black market products. For some people, those additional costs can drive them to purchase illegal products from illicit operators; but that comes with great risk.

From the public health crisis caused by consumption of illicit vape products, to pesticides-ridden flower and joints, to edibles with mystery ingredients, the cannabis consumer has to be more cautious now than ever. When you order from Pineapple Express, you can be confident that we only do business with brands who are legally licensed operators, and every product we carry has passed the most stringent testing for pesticides, microbials, and dangerous additives.

Now more than ever, consumers are careful about what they put in, on, and on, their bodies and demand to know that what they’re ingesting is safe. Pineapple Express does our part by allowing them to purchase with confidence and enjoy their order with peace of mind.

**What types of products do you work with, and what is your selection process? Given your emphasis on authenticity, your curation process must be stringent.**

Customers love our menu because we consistently offer top-quality products to fit any budget, and because of the size of our loyal member base, brands are eager to secure a spot on our menu. That makes the curation process a critical component to our customers’ experience.

Our menu manager, Kenny, is a true cannabis connoisseur and works with a dedicated team to evaluate products for flavor, potency, and value - only the best of the best make the cut. His goal is to maintain the product offerings our customers know and love, while also sourcing exciting new products and limited time offerings.

At Pineapple Express you can be confident we’ll deliver the finest flower, pre-rolls, vapes, edibles, concentrates and topicals available. And with our daily deals, new customer discounts, flash sales, and members-only specials, it’s always a great time to connect with us!

**Do you test using a third party or in house, or a combination of both?**

Every product we receive has already been tested by both the brand and an independent, State-accredited, third-party laboratory. That’s a requirement directly from the State of California. We are also able to view and verify the actual Certificates of Analysis, which adds an extra level of certainty.

**I see you house both your own products and others. How are your products made, and what price point?**

THC is the name of our own brand which launched last year, and THC-branded products are proudly offered alongside the brands you already know and love.

We are currently building out a cutting-edge indoor cultivation facility, so in the interim we have partnered with a well-known supplier of top-shelf cannabis in order to stock our shelves with our THC brand of products.

There’s no denying that many customers have their “go-to” products. By introducing THC, we’re offering a choice — premium brand quality at an incredible value — which we believe is great for the consumer.

**Can you explain a bit more about how your operation works?**

No one wants to wish vibes when ordering cannabis, so PineappleExpress.com has made getting your weed delivered quick and easy.

Order online with just a few clicks, or chat, call, text, or email us to place your order with one of our knowledgeable Customer Care experts. It’s like having your own concierge budtender!

**What is your consumer experience philosophy?** We believe that great customer experience is not just about the “what” but also the “how”.

For us, we strive to exceed expectations across every customer contact. That extends from how many times the phone rings before it’s answered to how your driver greets you when they arrive. It’s how you feel at every moment of your experience from beginning to end.

To ensure we’re delivering (pun intended) on our promise of a great experience, our CX manager, Estefani, leads a very dedicated team of professionals who are trained properly on how to deliver it, and are invested in executing at the highest level.

To break it down…our philosophy is that when it comes to having an exceptional experience it’s only our customers’ opinion that matters.

**Can you tell me more about your team?**

We are firm believers that to deliver to Los Angeles and Orange County, we need to understand the needs and wants of the communities we serve.

That belief has led us to build out one of the most diverse teams possible -- across race, gender, ethnicity, and background -- and is one of our greatest strengths. We realize that not every person on our team is the same, but when we come together in a spirit of inclusion, we gain an appreciation and perspective that makes us stronger, more dedicated, and perform better than we could as individuals.

Cannabis has always been about bringing people together and our team is united by a common thread...deliver the best cannabis, at the best price, and do it on our customers’ timeline.

To learn more about this exclusive service, or to get in on the goods yourself, visit PineappleExpress.com.
OUT OF THE BOX:
A curated ‘So-L.A.’ Gift Guide

BY LINA LECARO

The holidays are here and this year more than ever, it’s tempting to take the easy route and succumb to the cheap and fast evils of Amazon, Walmart, et al. But you don’t have to! Small businesses and retailers have a presence online too and many offer great deals and shipping discounts depending on what you buy. Like so many other locales driven by tourism, retail and going out, Los Angeles has suffered a lot economically and Christmas is a chance to catch up. Many companies, craftsmen and creators have been forced to adapt, making products suited to the new reality of living in a pandemic. We think shopping local – even via online portals – is a sign of living in a pandemic. We think shopping local has never been more crucial.

Gifts with L.A. culture and flair.

1. OF THE NIGHT (EXPERIENCES)
We miss the nightlife: the dress up, the music and the vibe. If you and your friends do too, Blake Shine and Courtney Nichols (of Disco Dining Club) want to bring it home. Their fancy parties-in-a-box offer a contactless singing telegram delivery plus activities, decor, costume, food and drink packages with various themes including “Slumber Party Of The Night” (a ’90s sleepover package), “Garden Gnomes Of The Night” (a naughty gnome fantasy), “Psychedelia Of The Night” (a novel trip out) and their newest, “The 31 Days Of Night” (a 1990’s horror themed look) program as a way to relieve stress and beautify homes in the Covid era. Supporting small flower farms, the service provides an array of fresh cut, seasonal blooms ready to be arranged by the recipient and delivered (contactless) to your loved ones’ door weekly, bi-monthly or monthly. illabello.com/shop

2. BELLO BOXES (FLORAL SUBSCRIPTIONS)
L.A.-based florist Lilla Bello came up with her subscription based “Bloom Box” program as a way to relieve stress and beautify homes in the Covid era. Supporting small flower farms, the service provides an array of fresh cut, seasonal blooms ready to be arranged by the recipient and delivered (contactless) to your loved ones’ door weekly, bi-monthly or monthly. illabello.com/shop

3. ESALON (HAIR COLOR)
With salon restrictions seemingly changing by the day, now may be the time to try eSalon offers an opportunity to do it right with customized, professional-grade home hair color that’s made-to-order. For the holidays they are offering e-gift cards of $25, $50 or $100, which can be used for services and products like moisturizing hair masks, touch-up dye and more. esalon.com

4. LIVE WIRE (CANNED COCKTAILS)
This canned craft drink line rocks! Created by local bartender Aaron Polsky (Harvard & Stone) the brand features collectable tattoo art-swathed cans and tasty adult beverage es with names like “The Heartbreaker” (which was concocted at Coachella), “The Honeydew Collins” and “The Golden God.” Since we can’t go out to bars or see live music, at least we can capture the rebel spirit of the good ol’ days when we did, with these guzzle-worthy gifts. livewiredrinks.com

5. SMASHBOX (COSMETIC KITS)
Smashbox is more than a makeup company, it’s also a famous L.A. studio. Its new “The Art of Gifting” makeup line is inspired by the iconic style space which held fashion shows and shoots galore. They got artist Donald Robertson to create original designs for the limited-edition gift collection, which includes six cosmetic sets for lips, eyes and cheeks. Smashbox.com

6. POLERGEISTS AND PARAMOURS (MASKS, LINGERIE)
Buy horror-themed lingerie and masks for the sexy ghouls in your life including new edgy holiday themed looks inspired by films like Black Christmas and Midsommar. poltergeistsandparamours.com

7. LOS ANGELES TRADING CO. (LOUNGEWEAR, SLIPPERS, BAGS)
Based in Valencia, this local company has lots of wearable gift items to keep you and your pals cozy at home including robes, slippers, pajamas and more with sassy slogans and phrases. losangelestradingco.com

8. THE BURLESQUE DECK (PLAYING CARDS)
The queens of strip tease (and hearts, diamonds, clubs, spades) are featured on this sultry card deck designed by local performer and burlesque artist Jennifer Makes it. burlesquedeck.com

9. JONNY COTA (FASHION, ACCESSORIES)
Our recent L.A. Weekly cover subject has some great gift items in his shop at the Row DTLa and online, including harnesses, bags and scarf designs as seen on the fashion competition show he won this year: Making The Cut. jonnycota.com

10. JENNETTE (SKIN CARE)
This female-owned spa in Los Feliz offers all-natural skincare products sourced from small local businesses, small farms and producers using fresh and organic ingredients. jenetteskincare.com

11. UNIQUE VINTAGE (FASHION)
Burbank’s retro-inspired clothing company continually unveils exciting collaborations (Harry Potter, Beetlejuice, Care Bears) and pop culture-driven designs. Their new holiday collection features lots of festive frocks and accessories that any gal would be excited to find under the Christmas tree. unique-vintage.com

12. BATS DAY MERCHANDISE (COLLECTABLES)
If you miss goth club culture or Disneyland or both, the merchandise for sale in the online “Bats Day at the Fun Park” store will warm your cold black heart. T-shirts, stickers, pins, art and more are available for gifting as well as commem-
13. MANIFEST TEA STATION (TEA, CANDLES, CRYSTALS)
Soothing loose leaf teas, intention candles, ritual oils, crystals, plants and more, all suitable for giving, are available from this new Whittier shop. instagram.com/manifestteastation

14. HAN CHOLO (JEWELRY, ACCESSORIES)
The pop culture driven jewelry designer offers platinum, sterling and gold rings, necklaces, bracelets and earrings licensed and inspired by everything from sci-fi to punk rock and hip-hop to famous monsters. For the holidays they also have gift packages featuring enamel pins, patches and more. hancholo.com

15. ONCH (JEWELRY, ACCESSORIES)
The colorful and kitschy L.A. designer (best known for his stint on Paris Hilton’s reality show My New BF) has a bunch of fun new merch for holiday giving including personalized tumblers, phone cases, tank tops and his yummy-enough-to-eat (but don’t!) accessories. onch.us

16. Y-QUE (MASKS, TEES)
Unique printed masks, gifts and topical t-shirts – the best ones represent neighborhoods across the city – make this long-running store in Los Feliz and its online store a must hit for holiday shopping. yque.com

17. THE RUPAUL CHIA PET (DECOR)
The perennial last minute “bad” gift has become ironically cool in recent years and its latest design will seal the deal. Can I get an amen up in here? Yes, we’re talking about the ch-ch-chia pet, which just announced that its latest grow-it goodie features the likeness of Emmy-winning reality star RuPaul. At press time the green queen was about to sell out, but they will be on back order with delivery for February. If you don’t score one, they’ve also got another famous local icon to sweat for: Ricard Simmons. lootcrate.com/products/ruPaul

18. THE OTHERS ORACLE (CANDLES)
This custom soy candle company features rockstar imagery and witchy designs, delicious smells and whimsical dressing perfect for intention setting and eclectic decor. etsy.com/shop/OthersOracleCandles

19. HOUSE OF ENVY (ACCESSORIES)
Local art curator, DJ and burlesque performer Vanessa Burgundy and her designer sister Natalie Phillips bring their glamorous style to gifts of clothing, masks and accessories. The duo has worked with Electric Daisy Carnival, David LaChapelle, and numerous burlesque performers.

20. IPSY (BEAUTY SUBSCRIPTIONS)
The popular beauty bag subscription service just expanded its product lines joining forces with virtual shopping hub geared towards promoting artisans to their local communities. Check out their new Southern California Lookbook at: issuu.com/theetsymarket-socaletsyguild/docs/theetsymarket_-_socal_etsy_guild-2

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