

A Few of Our Favorite Things . . .

We searched the web, specialty food shows, and ideas from our editors for some of the more intriguing and inventive gifts for your favorite foodie.



← To Warm a Foodie's Heart

The fight against heart disease just got more delicious. The Teas for the Heart line from Tea Forté promotes healthier living by offering a gorgeous, anti-oxidant-rich selection of green teas, packed in a beautiful heart-shaped presentation box. This gift won the Best Food Gift award 2011 at the Sofi Awards from the National Association for the Specialty Food Trade, the highest honor in the Specialty Food industry. **Small boxes of five teas are available for \$12, large boxes of twelve teas are \$20, www.teaforte.com.**

→ For the Cocktail Loving Foodie

Bypass bartending school and wow your guests at cocktail hour with these infusions from Tea Forté. Just put one of these tea pyramids in the infuser and steep directly in the alcohol. Add the other ingredients, and you'll be able to serve your guests the most delicious and creative cocktails they'll ever have had. You'll be the talk of the holiday season! **\$24, www.teaforte.com.**



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and last minute gift ideas.

→ **For Your Foodie Darlin'**

This elegant necklace sports a knife, fork and spoon in either sterling silver or 14 carat gold. Designed exclusively for Northeast FLAVOR, this keepsake and conversation piece was first crafted in solid recycled gold by master jeweler David Virtue for FLAVOR editor, Jean Kerr. "It's my good luck charm," she says. It can be yours, too. Each utensil is approximately one inch long. Opt for 14-carat gold with an 18 inch, 14-carat gold-filled chain, or sterling silver with a solid silver chain. **Available only from www.northeastflavor.com, 14-carat gold: \$399; Sterling silver: \$179. See his other collections at www.davidvirtue.com.**



↓ **For The Picnicking Foodie**

This elegant, insulated compact carrier from Les Trois Petits Cochons comes complete with its own small cutting board, wood-handled corkscrew, cheese knife as well as a mousse truffe, pâté de campagne, French cheese, cornichons, and mini-toasts. There's plenty of room for your favorite bottle of wine. Voted Outstanding Food Gift in 2007 by the National Association for the Specialty Food Trade, this is the perfect gift for your favorite picnic partner. **www.3pigs.com, prices begin at \$60.**



↑ **For the Wine Loving Foodie**

Are you still using that plain, old, silver-colored corkscrew? B-o-r-i-n-g. Fun is what you make of it, so why not add a bit of whimsy to your life with these fun and colorful waiters' corkscrews? From zippy cheetah to proud peacock, and distinguished zebra to dappled giraffe, these clever and useful bar accessories will put a smile on your face every time you take them out of the drawer. They also make a perfect gift for any animal lover and oenophile. **www.corkpops.com, \$11.50.**



↑ For The House Mixologist

Fever-Tree natural beverages are top quality mixers, but are also great by themselves. Made from the finest quality ingredients from all over the world, with no artificial ingredients or sweeteners, they are already served in seven out of the top ten restaurants in the world—including El Bulli in Spain and the Fat Duck in the U.K. If you are splurging on a high-end bottle of liquor as a gift, consider including a Fever-Tree accompaniment to make it extra special. www.fever-tree.com, \$5.99 per four-pack.



↑ For The Fungi Loving Foodie

It may not be the world's most aesthetically appealing gift, but this grow-your-own kit is a little like culinary Sea Monkeys. This is fun for kids (okay, for big kids too) who get to watch oyster mushrooms come sprouting out of the box, and then cook with them. The mushrooms grow out of a medium of recycled coffee grounds. BONUS: Post a picture of your oyster crop on their Facebook page, and they'll donate a kit to the classroom of your choice. www.backtotheroots.com, \$19.95. Special for Northeast FLAVOR readers: Buy two or more kits, and get 10% off plus free shipping! Enter code NEFlavor10 when you place your order.



→ For the Cheesy Foodie

Remember that perfect meal at that quaint little trattoria in the North End? The one with the amazing food made from the freshest of ingredients? We've found an easy and wonderful way to recreate just a bit of that magic at home. With this Mozzarella Cheesemaking Kit from Roaring Brook Dairy, you can master the art of perfect cheese right in your own kitchen. This kit comes complete (add your own milk!) and in about an hour, you can make up to four pounds of the freshest mozzarella you'll ever have, one pound at a time.

www.roaringbrookdairy.com, \$19.



← For The Garlic Loving Foodie

This simple jar of caramelized garlic was awarded the best new product for 2011 by the National Association for the Specialty Food Trade. It may be straightforward in terms of ingredients, but its uses are virtually unlimited. I served it recently with a sautéed wild mushroom mixture to accompany a grass fed beef tenderloin roast. But it's perfect as a bruschetta topping, with figs and goat cheese, on pasta—you name it. Its taste is mellow and rich with no garlic bite or aftertaste. www.garlicit.com, \$8.99.





← **For The Baking Foodie**

A gift certificate to King Arthur Flour's baking education center and retail or online store is the perfect gift for anyone who loves to bake. Their headquarters in Norwich, Vermont, is a treasure trove for bakers, with great hands-on courses and a fantastic retail shop. Both are in the middle of expansion and Norwich, along with a weekend stay at The Norwich Inn, is a perfect getaway. Their wares are available online too. www.kingarthurfour.com, available in **\$25, \$40, \$50, \$75, \$100 and \$200.**

→ **For the Non-Baking Foodie**

The phrase "easy as pie" has never been more true, or more delicious, than these kits from Elizabeth Jean's Homemade Pies. Featuring Apple Crisp Pie, Fresh Apple Pie, and Caramel Apple Pecan Pie, these complete kits will unleash your inner baker. They include never-frozen pie filling, easy-to-roll-out pie crusts, the perfect blend of spices, a nine-inch pie pan, and even a pop-up timer! The hardest part is remembering to throw a little flour on your apron so no one catches on! www.elizabethjeanspiekit.com, prices begin at **\$13.99.**



↓ **For the Social Foodie**

We found out about these amazing bags just in time for the upcoming party season. Place one (or more!) of these colorful, eco-friendly and reusable bags in the freezer, and you have the perfect way to transport your wine, champagne, or spirits to any holiday party. Paired with a bottle of wine, these make a perfect and thoughtful hostess gift, or slip in a six pack on your way out to the big Super Bowl party. Score! www.chillitbags.com, prices begin at **\$8.99.**



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