



Holiday Gifts for Gardeners

The gifting season has come around again. Take good care of the gardeners on your list by finding them some useful and beautiful tools and supplies for their upcoming season. The gifts listed below should please anyone who loves working outside.

Tools

- Baskets and hods make great multipurpose hauling devices for seeds, plant markers, twine, and of course produce! Choose something well-built and tough like the [Maine garden hod](#) or something more artisanal, like the [utility caddy](#) pictured below.



- A good watering can saves time and effort. We like metal versions like the [Haws can](#) in the picture below, but they are certainly pricey. For a similar, more affordable option, consider a [well-made plastic can](#).



- Does your gardener have fruit trees? This **unusual, handy tool** helps make harvesting without a ladder a good bit easier!



- Good pruners are a gardener's best friend. There are lots of types available. We like the **Felco brand**. Pick up a leather holster, too, to help keep the pruners right at hand.



Supplies

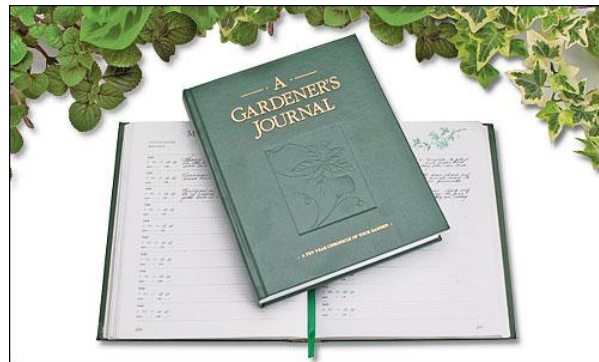
- **Nitrile gloves**. We've mentioned these before, since they are thin and tough as well as affordable. In our experience, even gardeners who prefer going gloveless make an exception for these.



- Classy plant markers will be a help for seasoned gardeners as well as beginners. [These long-lasting metal markers](#) look nice and help make it easy to locate various plants in the garden. Or, search Etsy for handmade options.



- A gardener's journal is a thoughtful gift. [This one](#) has room for ten years of garden records!



- Twine is always useful in the garden. For a fun twist, check out these [multi-colored gift packs!](#)



Garden Enhancements

- This [mason bee house](#) encourages beneficial insects – native pollinators – to set up shop in the garden.



- A toad house encourages these beneficial amphibians to stick around the garden, eating harmful insect pests! There are lots of options online. [Here's one](#) from Etsy site Faulkner Studio.



- [This seed mix from Johnny's](#) includes over a dozen flower varieties that attract beneficial insects. Great for underused patches at the edges of a garden!



- A bubbling fountain adds a relaxing feature to the garden, while providing water for birds and beneficial insects. We like [this fair trade option](#) from Ten Thousand Villages.



Hopefully this list has inspired you to find unique, useful gifts for your gardener friends and family. Maybe it's even inspired few items on your own wish list! In any case, may your giving and receiving be merry!