

Mother's Day Gifts for Tucson Dwellers

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Who held your hand on the first day of kindergarten, or patched up your knee when you fell off your bike? More than likely, it was mom. This year, she deserves all the thanks in the world and we think the following gifts—found right here in town—may actually do her justice.



Spa Treatments
One of the elements that brings women from all over the country to Tucson is its amazing spas. Treat mom to the ultimate in luxurious pampering this year with a gift certificate for a spa treatment at one of the area's many tranquil venues. Not sure where to turn? Think high-end resorts like the JW Marriott Starr Pass's Hashani Spa, Westward Look's Sonoran Spa or the Westin La Paloma's Red Door Spa. If you're looking for a great deal this holiday, Ventana Canyon's Loews Lakeside Spa is offering Spa Happy Hour, where you can purchase three treatments that are regularly priced at \$120 for \$75 each plus gratuity.

www.spa.jwmarriottstarrpass.com; www.westwardlook.com/spa;
www.westinlapalomasort.com/red-door-spa; www.loewslakesidespa.com.



Salud Signature Scent

We know you're too old to whip up a macaroni necklace or paint a picture for mom this holiday, but for a gift that feels hand-made and a bit more mature, stop in Salud Spa Bar and mix up a custom scent that fits her perfectly. Not only can you mix and match from Salud's enormous variety of scents to create your unique version, but you also have the option of making custom bath and body products where you choose from the fragrance menu and have that scent blended into your product of choice. What a way to be creative and classy this Mother's Day! www.saludspabar.com.



Bamboo Loungewear

If your mom has been too busy to relax lately, get her to slow down and take a break with Dreamsack's cozy bamboo loungewear, available at Casa Adobes Plaza's J. Renee Fine Linens and Indulgences. Not only are these pieces made of the sustainable material bamboo—and therefore supersoft—but they come in a variety of colors and styles. Choose from the comfy cropped pants, nightgowns, full pajama sets, nightshirts, robes and more in colors like lilac, pomegranate, pool and chocolate. Lounging around the house has never been so tempting. www.jreeneonline.com.

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Three Tier Stand

For summer entertaining, there's nothing more chic and functional than a three-tier stand for cupcakes, desserts and warm-weather appetizers. This Arte Italica Tuscan 3 Tier Stand, made from ceramic and fine pewter and available at Tucson's Elements Home Accessories and Gifts is the ultimate in style and sophistication. On Mother's Day, you can't go wrong with a gift that brings both a sense of elegance and practicality into the home. www.elementsoftucson.com.



Visit the Botanical Gardens

For a way to spend a beautiful sunny day outdoors with mom this Mother's Day, surprise her with a trip to Tucson Botanical Gardens. The Botanical Gardens will be hosting Mother's Day at the Gardens—brunch will be served at the Gardens Café 54 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Or, pick up a boxed picnic lunch and eat outdoors. Spend the day perusing the flower-filled, serene paths and be sure to stop in the gift shop and pick up a present for mom on her special day—options include jewelry, gardening tools, seeds, handbags, soaps, outdoor rugs and more. With such a thoughtful day planned out, this will be a Mother's Day mom won't soon forget. www.tucsonbotanical.org.



Loews Culinary Institute Classes

For a Mother's Day gift that will be enjoyed all summer long, treat mom to the Loews Culinary Institute classes, held at Loews Ventana Canyon Resort's Flying V Bar and Grill. Starting on May 30 and lasting through September 5, the culinary classes will be taught on Saturdays and will feature instruction and presentation from award-winning chefs, followed by the opportunity to dine on a delicious, self-prepared lunch. Even more rewarding? Purchase class admission for two so you can chop and sauté along with mom every Saturday! Contact the Ventana Canyon concierge at 520.299.5107 for class reservations.