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WINTER GIFT GILIDE 2021 LIVE WORK PLAY GIFT IDEAS FROM SMALL & INDEPENDENT BUSINESSES In this issue: GIFTS FOR THE FAMILY & HOME WIN A MEAL FOR 2!



50+ gift ideas from small & independent businesses...



## editor's note

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businesses, yet I can't recall a time I've seen more startups taking the boldest of plunges despite the singular adversity of a pandemic....

This is the uncompromising attitude we need to take us into 2022 - the official start of the Roaring 20s we missed out on a couple of

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the official start of the Roaring 20s we missed out on a couple of years ago! And so it goes almost without saying that this gift guide is dedicated to all the small, indie businesses who reached out and sent samples of their products for review. Christmas came a little early for me this year as I enthusiastically opened each package in my series 'Unwrap With The Soho Girl' Instagram Lives (CLICK HERE to watch back). The end result? Everything we've included in this guide has been thoroughly tried and tested!

Once again we're proud to support **Centrepoint** and the work they do to support young homeless people. Make a difference to the life of someone who needs help this winter by giving whatever you can by way of a donation (p.4-5).

Look out for the Winter issue of My Soho Times coming out with a bang - not a whimper in **January '22**, or sign-up and have every issue sent directly to your inbox <a href="https://www.mysohotimes.co.uk/sign-up">www.mysohotimes.co.uk/sign-up</a>.

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Here's wishing you the very best of the Season's Greetings from our team, to you and yours!

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## Give More Than A Gift This Christmas

Make a difference to the life of a homeless young person at Centrepoint this Christmas

Struggling for Christmas gift inspiration? Give a meaningful gift to a homeless young person this year to wish them a happy Christmas and a positive start to the New Year. Choose from a range of gifts with the option to send as a gift to a loved one. With every gift you can send a personalised Christmas card or e-card.

To protect the identity of our young people, models have been used. These gifts are real examples of items and services we provide. However, they are used here to represent the way your gift could be spent, and donations will be distributed across Centrepoint's work and used where needed to support young homeless people.



A Christmas Dinner - £10



Bundle - £60

A Year of Room Sponsorship - £144

Your special gift could help give a young person a festive Christmas dinner with all the trimmings in one of our services, with staff and other young people on Christmas Day. By buying a Clothes bundle, you provide a young person the self-confidence to face the world, attend job interviews, start a new life – and leave homelessness behind for good.

A room at Centrepoint can ensure a young person gets the support they need to move on from a life of homelessness. Your gift could pay for a warm, safe room for up to a year.

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£49.95 www.uk.gimber.com







#### THE KING OF SOHO

In celebration of the life and legacy of the original 'King of Soho' Paul Raymond, who for a while famously dominated the London entertainment scene – revolutionising the district of Soho. Made in the UK.

£34.95 The King of Soho London Dry Gin, £33.50 The King of Soho Variorum Pink Gin www.gerrys.uk.com



#### **HATTINGLEY VALLEY**

**Hattingley Trio Luxury Gift Set** 

The perfect aperitif or celebration drink - a flawless accompaniment to any party. Enjoyed with any canapé, festive or celebratory dinner. Hattingley's Christmas Trio Pack features an awardwinning line up of three of the Hampshire winery's signature bottles, including the Classic Reserve, Blanc de Blancs and the sparkling Rosé.

www.hattingleyvalley.com



#### MOORE HOUSE COCKTAIL COMPANY

#### **Build a Cocktail Box**

These pre-bottled cocktails are the perfect stocking fillers. Available for personalisation, the cocktail range features eight beautifully packaged cocktails in a variety of sizes, from generous single 100ml serves to larger 500ml sharing bottles. In this Build a Cocktail box you get to choose three hand crafted cocktails for a personalised tasting flight and perfect gift.

£29

www.moorehousecocktails.co.uk

#### **LANIQUE SPIRIT OF ROSE**

Made by steam-distilling thousands of hand-picked rose petals sourced from the East. Incredibly versatile and enjoyed in a number of ways, perfectly paired with prosecco to make a Lanique Rose Fizz, served simply with a squeeze of lime, or twinned with a piece of Turkish delight... there is something to suit everyone's taste this festive season. Beautifully bottled, it makes the ideal gift for any cocktail connoisseur.

£27 available at Waitrose or www.lanique.co.uk





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#### ALOHA65 SPIRIT DRINK Tropical Spirit Drink

Aloha 65 is like nothing else. It doesn't fit neatly into boxes marked 'gin' or 'vodka'. It's a spirit drink infused with refreshing pineapple, lemon, ginger, scotch-bonnet chillies and carefully selected herbs and spices. Delicious as a shot, longdrink, or a twist to a unique cocktail.

£22.50 www.aloha65.com

#### PINK MARMALADE GIN

A a marriage of traditional ultra-premium distillation techniques and modern exciting flavours. This striking variation uses the same 13 choice botanicals paired with the 'Butterfly Pea' flower. The result is a majestic colour changing gin which turns from a cool blue to a subtle rose pink. Ingredients include Juniper berries, Coriander seeds, Dried grapefruit zest, Dried orange zest, Lime leaf, Pink peppercorns, Pink marmalade, and Fresh grapefruit zest.

£30

www.pinkmarmaladegin.co.uk



#### MAD CITY BOTANICAL RUM

A drinks cabinet essential which works well in all rum based cocktails and with classic mixers such as ginger ale and cola.

£30

www.foxholespirits.com (or Amathus Soho)







#### **MOGUL & DRAM**

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£17.50

www.mogulanddram.co.uk



#### JAMES + JAKE

#### Skin Saviour | Replenishing Body Moisturiser

This intensely hydrating and repairing all over men's body cream contains natural oils to deliver and hold onto moisture. Select Premium Packaging at checkout for a complimentary gift wrap.

#### £25





#### **SOHO SCARVES**

#### The Forks Aviator

Soho scarves have taken the traditional elements of classic styling and updated it for the modern man. Consider silk scarves and accessories your final flourish to a well considered look... Style doesn't care who, what, where or why - it's how you wear it that counts.

£32.95

www.soho-scarves.com

#### Aso Limited Edition: Ivoba Idia Embroidered Tracksuit Top

The Icon Iyoba Idia was of the Edo people. She was a warrior, protector, and a political & spiritual guide who fought for her son. Osegie, to claim the title of Oba of the Kingdom of Benin (c1504 to c1550). Her power and influence were such that she has been referred to as the 'Hidden Oba'. She represents a timeless example of an African leader.

£65

www.aso-global.com









#### VANILLA BY IOSH WATSON

#### The Full Watson

Whether it's for you or a gift for someone special. The Full Watson is everything you need to feel your best and start exploring better bedroom experiences. Includes lube, face cream, body cream, Active Massage Oil, Relation Massage Oil... oh, and a cock ring for good measure!

£58.95

www.byjoshwatson.com



#### ECO WARRIOR

#### Men's Edit Shaving Bar 100g

Made with Coconut Oil & Flax Oil which soothes and moisturises pre/post-shave skin.Vegan and plastic-free.

£4.50

www.littlesoapcompany.co.uk

#### CANDLES FOR CHAPS

#### **Grand Tourer Candle**

Handcrafted in London, here's proof that men do love candles. Get the aroma of aged leather with a hint of labdanaum, paired with birch tar for a smoky finish

Sale from £24.99 www.candlesforchaps.com







#### **RAW BEAUTY NAILS**

Give the gift of manicured nails with a appointment with a Rawr Beauty nail technician... confidence? Nailed it!

From £25

www.rawrbeauty.co.uk



#### CULTURED BIOMECARE

#### Trv Me Kit

Can't decide? Containing the core Biome One products this kit provides all you need to get the full benefit of Cultured's skin empowering formulations.

From £25
www.culturedbiomecare.com

## OMOLOLA Africa Outline Ring

This stunning Africa outline ring is a statement-maker for any occasion, made using tarnish resistant stainless steel and plated in 18k gold.

£19.99

www.omololajewellery.com

#### **J'TANICALS**

**Probiotic Safeguard** 

- CBD Moisturiser

Made with (500mg) CBD, this moisturiser strengthens the skin barrier through natural probiotic technology. CBD protects the skin from oxidative stress, soothes and regulates the skin's sebum production.

£49.95

www.jtanicals.co.uk



#### THE BRAZILIAN HOT WAX **COMPANY**

Treat yourself or a loved one to a pampering strip-free and painless(isn) hot was session perfect for removing unwanted bodily hair and those delicate areas too...

Full leg and bikini combo from £52 www.thebrazilianhotwaxcompany.co.uk





#### CV AGE DEFY+ INFINITE **BEAUTY GIFT SET**

Hydrate and brighten skin from dawn to dusk with this skin-vitality gift set from the Cha Vøhtz range perfectly tailed for those aged 35+, Contains; Age Defv+ Collagen Boost Vitamin C Serum 30ml, Age Defy+ Cell Enrich Facial Oil 5ml, Age Defv+ Hvdra-Glow Sleep Mask 3ml.

£40

www.greenpeople.co.uk

#### **METAL MORPHOSIS**

The piercing and ear curation specialists are back in Central London! Book a vist to their Carnaby or Shoreditch stores.

or shop online!

www.metalmorphosis.co.uk

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#### **VERSO**

#### Verso Nourishing Experience Kit

Gifts an at-home pamper session with these four gentle and easy-to-use treatments to indulge the skin.

£45 available at www.spacenk.com



## WILDLIFE BODY

**REVIVE Body Scrub** 

From the new vegan skincare brand Wildlife Body, this body scrub is packed with an abundance of nutrients, vitamins & anti-oxidant properties designed to really nourish your body and bring a healthy glow..

£18.99

www.wildlifebody.co.uk





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# SUKUN **New Yorker** This premium cotton bedding is Inspired by the clean, crisp lines and luxurious textures found across the trendiest boutique hotels - this contemporary line teleports you to that feeling after a night out in town. Revive your bedroom and refresh your most personal space (your bed) so you can reset for the morning adventures. From £170 available in sizes UK Double to UK Super King

www.sukun.co.uk

#### LEXI & TEAL

#### Raspberry Beetroot Pillowcase and Eye Mask

Sleep on Silky Softness of a Lexi & Teal pure silk housewife pillowcase with zipper - all you need for a restorative night sleep. Silk allows the skin and hair to gently glide across it, helping skin stay hydrated, hair stay smooth and wrinkles not to form whilst sleeping. Pair it with a Lexi & Teal eye mask in matching colour to upgrade your sleep - or gift!

Pillowcase from £85 Eye mask £55 www.lexiandteal.com

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#### PURESPORT

#### Deep Sleep Bundle

Make sleep less of a challenge with the Deep Sleep Bundle. Unwind Oil contains 1500mg CBD as well as L-Theanine, Chamomile, Lavender and Vitamin B Complex to help you drift off.

www.puresportcbd.com



#### Glow Sleep Mask 50ml

Nothing feels better than waking up in the morning with a beautifully pampered complexion. This winter, treat your skin to an overnight treat with the Age Defy+ Hydra Glow Sleep Mask. £34,00 (50ml).

www.greenpeople.co.uk

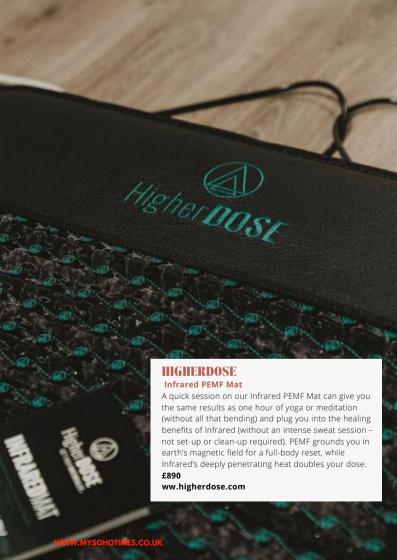


#### O SO CURLY

#### Satin Pillowcase (Reversible)

The O So Curly reversible satin pillowcase is the hair care essential you didn't know you need! Keep you curls and twist-outs looking fresh with this hair-care necessity.

From £24.99 www.osocurly.com





#### **SCENTESSENTIALS**

SleepyHead soy wax candle 60ml/120ml Room spray 50ml/100ml

Sleepy head is fragranced using a blend of pure essential oils; cedarwood to relax the body and clear the mind. lavender to promote calmness, orange to reduce anxiety and ylang ylang to alleviate stress. Sov wax candle, hand poured in the UK, using all natural ingredients.

Packaged in a choice of either amber or clear recyclable glass jar.

Candle £6 / £11 Room sprav £6 / £10 www.scentessentials.co.uk





#### ALEXANDRA KAY

#### Time to Breathe Ceramic Diffuser

Treat yourself or a friend to this stylish wellbeing gift for the home, boasting an elegant design with 90ml capacity and a soft LED light feature gently glows to add ambience to any room. Pair it with the calming 'Time to Sleep' expertly blended 100% natural essential oils including Lavender, Bergamot and Frankincense to entice sleep at the touch of a button.

£45 available at www.spacenk.com



#### WELLBE SLEEP

#### WellBeSleep® Shot and Bar

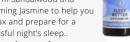
For an evening snack to aid sleep, try the WellBeSleep® Shot and Bar, both of which contain natural lemon balm - a herb used over the centuries for its calming properties. Eat or drink your WellBeSleep® a while before going to bed.

www.wellbemed.com

#### TISSERAND

#### Sleep Better Diffuser Oil

This dreamy blend combines 100% natural pure essential oils of soothing Lavender, warm Sandalwood and calming Jasmine to help you relax and prepare for a blissful night's sleep...



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#### Bioskin Junior Bath Milk

Make bath time a treat for the little ones! Bioskin Bath Milk has especially been developed for those little ones who have dry and sensitive skin. This natural, non-slippery, Bath Milk will hydrate, nourish and support the severely dry skin when bathing. Especially for those kids with sensitive skin, bathing can be a trying time with the water further dehydrating the skin.





LEONIE HUIE

#### THE FIRST YEAR IS SURVIVAL

## The Essential Guide to Parenting Twins & Multiples, by Leonie Huie

The First Year Is Survival is the literary equivalent of a hug and a hot cup of tea after a bad day. Through personal reflections and interviews with parents from around the world, Leonie Huie guides parents through the first year of life in the new role, openly addressing challenges such as anxiety, post-natal depression, and returning to work.

£12.99

www.waterstones.com



#### WILD & STONE

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#### NATURAL BIRTHING COMPANY

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journey from bump to baby. Gift set includes;
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Below Perineal Massage Oil, Sleepy Mama
Pillow Mist developed by midwives and
aromatherapists

£20

www.naturalbirthingcompany.com



#### LITTLE VEGGIE EATS

## Easy Weaning Recipes for All the Family to Enjoy (Hardback) by Rachel Boyett

Whether you would like to wean your baby as vegetarian or vegan, or you are looking for creative ways to reduce dairy, meat and fish in your baby's diet, Little Veggie Eats is packed with tips, hacks and advice to ensure all your baby's nutritional needs are met in their first year.

£14.99 www.foyles.co.uk

#### SPOTLIGHT ORAL CARE

Mum To Be Gift Set

Specifically formulated to support the oral care needs of expectant and breastfeeding mothers, the Pregnancy Paste addresses common oral health concerns unique to women during and immediately after pregnancy. Included is; Pregnancy Toothpaste, Sonic Toothbrush, Pink Jade Roller, Silk Pink Eye Mask

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www.uk.spotlightoralcare.com











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## Home Cleansing Wind Down Meditation Gift Box

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£58 www.avshabell.com

#### ALEXANDRA KAY

### Time to Inhale Handheld Diffuser & Time to Smile Pure Essential Oil Blend

Meet your new 'me time' hand bag essential! The Alexandra Kay Time to Inhale Handheld Diffuser is designed to deliver a mindful moment, wherever your day takes you. For pick-me-up, Alexandra Kay Time to Smile essential oil blend delivers a burst of invigorating fragrance; Sweet Orange, Comforting Frankincense, Cedarwood, Zesty Lemon.

£20 each (sold separately) www.greenpeople.com

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A collection of cocktail-inspired candles just in time for Christmas! Choose from the Mid Town, the Soho Caffè candle, and the Negroni-inspired Firenze 1919; scents of bittersweet orange and a hint of herbs and spices. Hand poured in London.

£32

wwww.moorehousecocktails.co.uk





## Gingerbread house Christmas treat duo

This gingerbread house Christmas treat duo combines a candle and a bath bomb for a thoughtful handmade gift to celebrate this special time of year.

£10-12

www.ecopiastockport.co.uk



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#### VEGAN BIINNY

#### **Sweet Orange Jar Soy Candle**

Enjoy the aroma of creamy Sweet Orange plus all the suitability benefits from Vegan Bunny! Vegan Bunny is an eco-friendly brand using sustainable sourced materials and 100% natural ingredients to create these beautiful soy candles

£12.95

www.dancewearcentral.co.uk



#### OSME Winter's Eve

### Evoking an end-of-year evening,

snuggled up and safe from the biting cold outside, this blended scent is a great antidote to those long nights.

From 22.99

www.osmecandles.co.uk

## SCENTSESSENTIALS Gingerbread Candle

Nothing says Christmas quite like a blend of essential oils; ginger, clove, orange and cinnamon. This warm and spicy fragrance for the festive season is available in 60ml/120ml jars, in a choice of clear or amber glass.

From £6

www.scentessentials.co.uk



#### THE SHED COLLECTION

#### **Christmas Reed Diffuser - Mistletoe Kisses**

Named the *Best Small Business to Buy From This Christmas* by Good Housekeeping, continue to festivities well into the New Year with this range of 50ml reed diffusers which last for approximately 6 weeks. Enjoy notes of zesty lime, lifted by spicy hints of cinnamon and clove shine through.

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www.theshedcollection.com











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