

9 Things We Love in December

Light a fire under your holiday spirit with this Anywhere Fireplace Metropolitan model.

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Merry and Bright

This Anywhere Fireplace Metropolitan model can be placed on any steady surface. Light it

with liquid bio-ethanol fuel; no electric or gas hookup is needed.

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The oenophile in your life will enjoy this chardonnay-scented candle (\$27) — also available in Champagne and other wine flavors — made from soy wax and recycled wine bottles. Part of the proceeds goes to animal rescue groups. [Available at dreadnought wines, 2013 Penn Ave., Strip District; 412/391-1709, dreadnoughtwines.com]



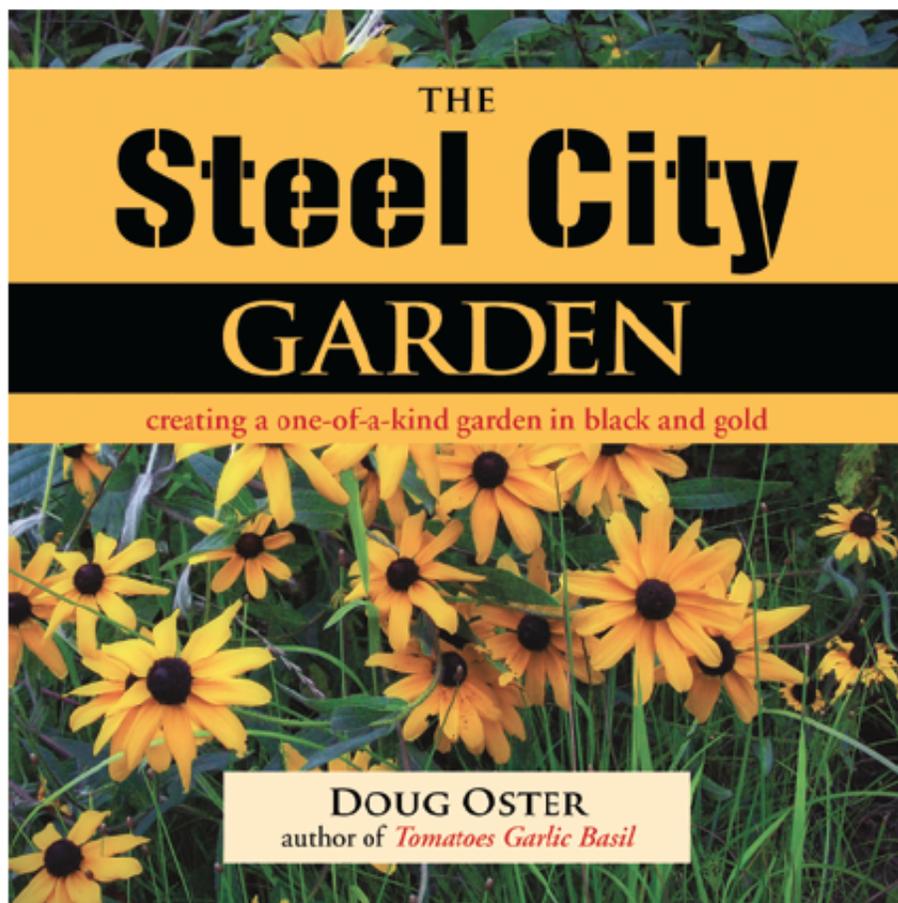
Rooted Beauty, founded by two graduates of Grove City College, makes natural beauty products with sustainable packaging. Holiday bundles include lip butters as well as facial wipes, cleanser and moisturizer (\$39.99). Part of the proceeds benefits the Woman2Woman Project, which helps women suffering as a result of poverty or human trafficking. [Individual lip balms available at Whole Foods Market, locations in East Liberty and Wexford; holiday bundles available at rooted-beauty.com]



Plates and platters designed by Nora Fleming can be customized for any holiday with interchangeable “minis” — here, a Hanukkah napkin holder or candy dish (\$25) with a Star of David (\$12). [Available at Contemporary Concepts, 5820 Forbes Ave., Squirrel Hill; 412/521-2500, contemporaryconcepts.com]



This vintage speaker (\$349) allows you to stream music wirelessly from your mobile phone or MP3 player into a device inspired by radios of the 1920s. [Available at Restoration Hardware, 1500 Washington Road, The Galleria, Mt. Lebanon; 412/563-5909, rh.com]



Give your favorite green-thumbed Steelers fans something to combine their interests: The Steel City Garden: Creating a One-of-a-Kind Garden in Black and Gold (\$17.95) by Doug Oster, the award-winning “Backyard Gardener” of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. [Available at Penguin Bookshop in Sewickley, area Barnes & Noble stores and The University Store on Fifth Avenue in Oakland; stlynnspress.com]



This Tudor Heritage Chrono Blue watch (\$4,425), a retro-chic brand from Rolex, will take any distinguished gentleman back to the “Mad Men” days. [Available at Henne Jewelers, 5501 Walnut St., Shadyside; 412/682-0226, hennejewelers.com]



Add red and green pillows or stuffed snowmen to this pre-lit grapevine sleigh (\$149.95).
[Available at Pier 1 Imports, several area locations, pier1.com]



Don't forget a gift for your lovable furry friends this holiday season. Goughnuts (\$21.99-\$33.99) are durable chew toys for pups that are made in the United States with natural rubber materials. [Available at Petagogy, 5880 Ellsworth Ave., Shadyside; 412/362-7387, petagogyggh.com]



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