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# Holiday Gift Guide West

Are you making a list, checking it twice, and realizing Santa's job is harder than it looks?

Need innovative gift ideas available in your own backyard that don't pull too hard on the purse strings? Well, pour yourself a cup of cocoa and cozy up to the fire. The following shopping ideas are guaranteed to put the happy back in your holidays.



**Pageo**  
843 Beacon Street  
Newton  
617-964-4940  
Whether you want something on the cutting edge of fashion like chandelier earrings (\$690), or something hip and economical like a leather and sterling silver necklace (\$85), Pageo (run by a brother and sister team for 25 years) will meet your needs. Do you really want to wow her? Try a woven 18-carat gold scarf (\$6,500).

**Asian Import**  
32 Union Avenue  
Framingham  
508-879-6022  
You'll find clothes from at least seven countries and prices that range from \$5 to \$150. A cozy sweater from Ecuador costs \$35, and there are still plenty of good deals on summer dresses (think winter getaway to Florida).



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### CLOTHING & JEWELRY

**Lisa's**  
1502 Highland Avenue  
Needham  
781-444-5117  
Lisa's is known for having numerous styles



of jeans (\$60 and up), but do you want to know the hottest item this year? Italian charm bracelets ("composable" bracelets) by Nomination®. Personalize yours with a name, sport motif, or even a pink breast cancer ribbon. Base bracelets are \$6, and fully composed bracelets start at \$40.

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### Toys

**The Whiz Store**  
276 Turnpike Road  
Westboro  
508-366-2030

The Whiz is a store of "technology, creativity, adventure, and imagination." Must-have item of the season? TinyLaserTag™ (\$14.95). The LEGO™ EXPLORE category offers fun for preschoolers while the award-winning game Apples to Apples® (\$21) is great for the whole family. Classics like Rush Hour® Traffic Jam Puzzle (\$15.95) still fly off the shelves, and what kid's store would be complete without a rubber chicken (\$9.99)?

### Wooden Toys and Crafts

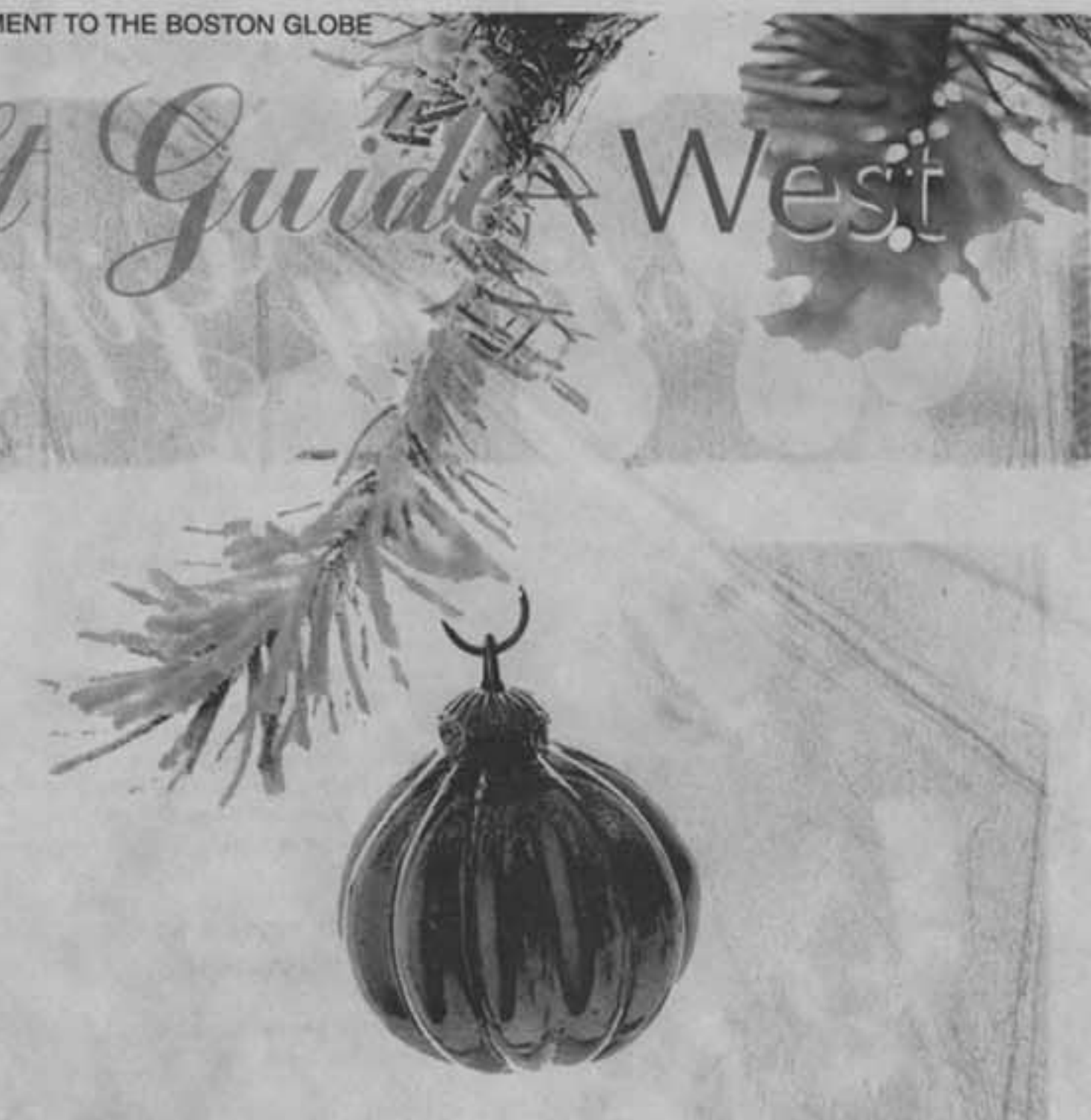
655 Farm Road  
Marlborough  
508-485-6992

Give your child confidence. A gift certificate here will do just that according to owner Bob LeDuc. Children choose from a plethora of woodworking kits with pre-cut pieces (examples include beanie baby beds and batheships), and then assemble and paint them in a kid-friendly shop without any help from you. A totally safe and reasonably priced (projects range from \$4 to \$14 including paint) way to spend an afternoon during Christmas vacation.

### Bella Doll Fashions

10A North Street  
Medfield  
508-359-5588

All the clothes you could possibly imagine for your little girl's favorite doll (ranging from \$7 for a pair of jeans to \$26 for a whole outfit). Or how about a tea party for your daughter and a bunch of her friends? Complete with real china, cookies, tiaras, and a wonderful hostess, owner Lauren Santucci. The cost? \$24 per child. Memories? Priceless.



### RESTAURANT GIFT CERTIFICATES

#### Harry's Restaurant

Rt 9 West  
Westboro  
508-366-8302

Yeah, it is a diner, but where else can you find the best fried clam plates (strips \$9.95), giant turkey clubs (\$6.95), and pancakes (\$3.95, served all day) in a comfortable (read kid-friendly) environment? Don't like the idea of giving a gift certificate to a diner? Upgrade to Harry's Too, a more "upscale" version located next door.

#### Longfellow's Wayside Inn

Wayside Inn Road  
Sudbury  
978-443-1776

Lobster Pie. Prime Rib. Roast Leg of Lamb. Executive Chef Chip Dufault says it's these traditional New England items that make the Inn so popular. Entrees range from \$15.95 - \$23.95. Sunday dinners are all inclusive from soup to nuts (\$17.95 - \$25.95). And whether the snow is falling, the leaves are changing, or you spy a wedding party at the nearby Martha Mary Chapel, a fabulous view is guaranteed year-round.



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### UNIQUE SHOPPING EXPERIENCES

**The Grey Goose**  
95 Chapel Street  
Needham  
781-449-8441  
Need a cat-shaped clock or a stunning hand-crafted bead necklace? Necklaces start as low as \$42 and the clocks (\$78) come in dog and sunflower shapes, too. A unique collection of clothes and scarves (\$22 to \$300) rounds out this eclectic shop.

### Classic Touch & Blue Hen Antiques

2 North Street  
Medfield  
508-359-5315 & 508-359-4862  
Two women. Two stores. One address. Classic Touch specializes in all things contemporary (from jewelry to pottery to funky lamps - prices start as low as \$15 and go as high as several hundred) while Blue Hen Antiques has "furniture from the past for today's homes" (price range: \$10 - several thousand).

### FOR THE PERSON WHO HAS EVERYTHING...

#### Arthur Murray Dance Studios

251 West Central Street, Suite 7  
Natick  
508-651-9041  
Want to give guaranteed fun? How about dance lessons? They're perfect for couples and singles. The Arthur Murray Dance Studio in Natick specializes in everything from waltz to salsa, no partner needed. A gift certificate for the introductory program costs \$10 for a single person (perfect Secret Santa gift), or \$20 per couple.



### ONE IDEA FOR ONE-STOP SHOPPING

#### New England Mobile Book Fair®

82 Needham Street  
Newton  
617-527-5817  
I won't be held responsible if you wile away your shopping hours in this warehouse stacked with books. Extended holiday hours and great deals (30 percent off New York Times hardcover bestsellers) ensure that you'll find a gift for everyone on your list. And with free gift wrapping available, what more could you want?

### Happy shopping everyone!



### Acupuncture & Holistic Healthcare of Framingham, Inc.

5 Edgell Road, Suite 31  
Framingham  
508-626-9900  
How about the gift of health? An acupuncture treatment (\$50) can help you really keep New Year Resolutions to lose weight or reduce stress. Gift certificates are available in any amount, and you may apply them towards other holistic practices including Massage, Craniosacral Therapy, and Yoga.

### Don's Flying Service

Marlboro Airport  
Marlborough  
508-485-0069  
Imagine buying a gift that keeps on giving. That's what Marlboro airport manager Bob Stetson says about flying lessons. "It will open up a whole new world of gift giving - from new headsets to flight bags." Rates are \$105 per hour of dual instruction and \$70 per hour for solo or rental time in a Cessna 150. Gift certificates are available.

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