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Treat Yo 'Elf this Holiday Season: Give the Gift of the San Juan Islands!

FRIDAY HARBOR, WA... If you're getting ready to turn that jack-o-lantern into a pie, then you're probably thinking about holiday shopping. Make that list, perhaps check it twice, and find a San Juan Islands gift for both the naughty and nice...

For the Foodie

Lonely Planet dubbed the San Juans the 'gourmet archipelago' for the wide range of tide-to-table and farm-to-fork experiences. You can add some of these island flavors to your holiday fare with oysters from [Westcott Bay Shellfish](#) and a dash of sea salt from [San Juan Island Sea Salt](#). Shrubs from [Girl Meets Dirt](#) will give a little extra oomph to your signature cocktails and mocktails. And ring in the New Year with the Wave Crest White from [Lopez Island Vineyard](#)!

For the Nature and Adventure Lover

Is there an aspiring naturalist in your house? Introduce them to the whales of the Salish Sea with an orca adoption from Friday Harbor's [Whale Museum](#), along with a variety of other whale-themed gifts. Know someone dreaming about a post-COVID island vacation? Slip a gift card for [sea kayaking](#) or a [whale and wildlife tour](#) into their stocking! Start with your own backyard and get a [Discover Pass](#) to explore Washington's state parks.

For the Art Lover

The San Juan Islands were named an "Arts Hot Spot" for Washington state, and this community of creatives has been hit particularly hard by the pandemic. Find everything from [pottery](#) to [Coast Salish wood carvings](#) and add some island whimsy to your home, office, and garden. Create an island 'window' with one of [Teresa Smith's](#) oil paintings or bring the outdoors in with a [basket](#) from Debbie Pigman.

Self-Care: the Ultimate 'Santa-ment' for 2020

Don't forget to take care of yourself as well as the others on your list. [Pelindaba Lavender](#) has soothing products for your bath, your home, and your critter! [Island Thyme Botanical Bodycare](#) will help smooth out any remaining pandemic-induced tension with their herbal salves and bring some holiday scent with their Spruce and Cedar or Cinnamon Clove artisan soaps. Add some flower power to your daily care with [Tea Salish Sea](#)!

Need more ideas? Check out www.visitsanjuans.com/gift-guide for a complete list.

Islanders, make it a holiday staycation with these [specials](#) at your favorite restaurants and lodgings!

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