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Cooking Up Some Motherly Love

THE PERFECT GIFT FOR THE PERFECT MOM

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The modern mom is a woman who seems to be doing a million things at once (some things never change), and a good chunk of her time is often spent in the kitchen. Whether she's a gourmet or a greenhorn in the culinary space, give a gift this Mother's Day that's sure to make her time in the kitchen a total treat. From a designer and an admitted kitchen connoisseur, here are five of my favourite new kitchen essentials that Mom's sure to love.

For the "Smoothie Mom"

Spring and summer give us an abundance of fresh fruits and veggies. If your mom never leaves the house in the morning without a smoothie in hand, the Breville Super Q blender is certain to be well-used and well-loved. Two smoothie programs make for silky dairy smoothies and smoother green smoothies, and it's also great for whipping up healthy soups and salads. This happens to be my favourite new kitchen helper! The commercial-grade blender is a total powerhouse — much like Mom herself! It's quick, quiet and efficient, and looks stylish on the countertop too.

For the "Chef Mom"

Rule #1 in the kitchen: every great chef needs an awesome set of knives. Henkels' 5-piece knife set includes a paring knife, prep knife, Santoku knife and Niri knife, with high-quality stainless steel blades and comfort handles to tackle all the slicing and dicing with ease. It's all set in a bright red knife block that can become a great focal point on your countertop. When you can outfit a utilitarian space with some functional style, you've got a winning combination!

For the "Coffee Mom"

For the coffee lovers in the house, the Barista Touch espresso maker is a perfect addition to a kitchen or coffee bar. Boasting beauty and brawn, this machine features commercial-quality performance, speedy three-second heat-up time (for the days you need a little extra... motivation) and is programmable with up to eight customizable drink settings. This is the next best thing to having your own personal barista who knows exactly how Mom likes her coffee and gets her order right every time.



For the "Hostess Mom"

Keep the wine perfectly chilled and always at the ready by outfitting Mom's kitchen with a wine fridge. Whether she's hosting a swanky soiree or having a quiet and cozy evening in "Silhouette" by Danby's line of wine fridges will suit her needs. It comes in a range of sizes and bottle capacities to fit every space.



For the “Relaxed Mom”

Okay, this one might be more of a “Mom goal” than an actual Mom type, but I digress! Some mother’s might argue that nothing beats kicking back with a soothing cup of tea after a long and trying day. Brew that elusive “perfect” cup every time with the Breville Smart Tea Infuser, which actually knows the right temperature and steeping time. Bonus: it looks pretty on a tabletop or counter.

Mother’s Day is an ideal opportunity to show Mom you care and perhaps score yourself an invitation to her next dinner party! Whether it is a blender that stirs you or kitchen decor that catches your eye, give Mom the gift of culinary love — from your heart to hers, for the heart of her home. ●



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