

Gifts

that are shades of love

Summer-inspired bright colours of pink, orange and yellow will turn already wonderful gifts into eye-catching ones

BATHING BEAUTY

☞ Ideal for pre-tanning exfoliation, these sponges leave limbs polished and soft, while adding a splash of colour to the bathroom, too! Gelato Bath Sponge, \$4.95 each, Annabel Trends, (07) 5593 4755, www.annabeltrends.com

COOK UP A STORM

☞ Whatever the reason or time of day, this cookbook features over 100 easy-to-prepare dishes that will make every meal an occasion. *Marie Claire Fresh + Easy*, \$39.99, available at all good booksellers.



SUMMER BREEZE

☞ A summer must-have to carry your beach essentials. This 100 per cent cotton bag is coated in PVC and has an internal pocket to keep items safe. Hibiscus Wet Bag, \$65, Sweet Lilly Designs, www.sweetlilly.com.au



marie claire fresh + easy



HAPPY HELPERS

☞ Heat up the machine, add beef patties and three minutes later the mini burgers are cooked! Great for mini chefs. Little Chefs Sizzle Snacks Mini-Burger Maker, \$34.95, Kambrook, 1300 139 798.



THIRSTY WORK

☞ Bring the sunshine indoors with beautiful warm colours that add a pop of colour to any meal, tabletop or kitchen shelf. Wine Glass, \$39.95 (set of 4), Tumbler, \$39.95 (set of 4), Highball, \$39.95 (set of 4), Pitcher, \$29.95. SunnyLife, www.sunnylife.com.au



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AFTERNOON SPICE

☞ Add a touch of the exotic to your daily cup of coffee (along with a slice of cake) with a paisley and peacock printed plate and mug. Cashmere Sari Coupe Plate and Mug, \$9.95 each (gift boxed), Maxwell & Williams, www.maxwellandwilliams.com.au

FIRE UP THE GRILL

☞ Perfect for outdoor cooking, this portable picnic charcoal grill is just under 40cm wide and has a handle made from heat-resistant silicone for not-so-hot carrying. Bodum Pyrkat Picnic Charcoal Grill, \$99.95, Myer, 1800 811 611.



TREAD SOFTLY

☞ Lounge in comfort with soft and pretty felt house slippers, each adorned with a silk ranunculus. Felt Slippers - Pink with Yellow Flower, \$34.95, Scar & Rose, (03) 9558 2553, www.atarandrose.com



SUNKISSED

☞ Stay cool with a canvas, UPF 50+-rated beach umbrella. It's got Palm-Springs-style white fringing and comes with an individual carry case. Princess and the Pea umbrella, \$239, Basil Bangs, www.basilbangs.com

PRETTY IN PINK

☞ A boxed gift set is an effortless yet well-received present - this one includes scented handcream and tinned soapette. MOR Cosmetics Sweet Surprise Lychee Flower Panettone box, \$19.95, available from Myer and David Jones.



COME FLY WITH ME

☞ This perfect carry-all for a summer escape is a great gift for the seasoned and stylish traveller. SunnyLIFE Clifton Weekender, \$189.95, SunnyLIFE, (03) 9421 6325, www.sunnylife.com.au



PHOTO FINISH

☞ Capture the fun of Christmas and family holidays on this tiny camcorder. It can be plunged into five metres of water, withstand bumps and knocks, plus it has full HD video. GE DVI mini camcorder, \$199, www.gevcm.com.au

BOWLED OVER

☞ Show off juicy summer fruits in the centre of the table using a stainless steel bowl with designer looks and colour! Cut-Out Bowl, \$39.95, Freedom, 1300 135 588, www.freedom.com.au

