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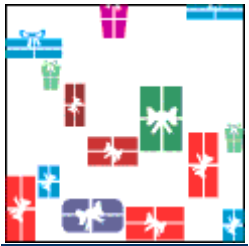
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If you've a gardener on your gift list, don't sweat it. Gardening fools are easy to please. Gift certificates from a local garden center or specialty mail-order company, books to dream over (coffee table pictorials) or keep handy (reference volumes), calendars, garden journals, note cards - any would delight a hands-on practitioner. Here are a few ideas.

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Sprouting cleverness

Just add water, and a message from giver to given begins to germinate. The Amazing Message Plant (\$9.95) includes greetings for most holidays as well as everyday sentiments. The seed develops into a vining plant that will grow from 2 to 4 feet, given sunlight and water. 1-888-416-4722 or www.message.plant.com.

Super soaker

Oxo's Pour & Store watering cans (3-quart and 2-gallon capacity) feature a swiveling spout that hugs the can for storage. Water levels on the translucent spout match markings on the can's body to ease plant food dosage. Six colors. \$14.99 and \$24.99 at Lowe's.

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This familiar container holds a surprise pint-size treat: seeds for growing 'Big Smile' sunflowers and organic compost made from the leftovers of ice cream production at a certain gourmet factory. \$4.95. Gardener's Supply Company, 1-800-427-3363 or www.gardeners.com.

Thou shalt not kill

Barbara Pleasant's *Complete Houseplant Survival Manual* (Storey Publishing, \$24.95) is the only reference a gardener needs for indoor plants. Covering African violets to zebrañas, the guide identifies common houseplants, troubleshoots worrisome symptoms and provides tips on specific needs.

Eden for dirt lovers

The handmade papier-mâché box (\$30) contains seed packets, wooden markers and blank gardener's note cards, with enough room to store additional packets, markers and an indelible pen. 1-888-365-0056 or www.uncommongoods.com

You've got a date

The Gardener's Calendar (Workman Publishing, \$11.95) by Katherine Whiteside in the page-a-day format offers advice, tips and novel ideas accompanied by the pretty pictures that characterize her flower books. Dallas Arboretum gift shop.

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