A LITTLE LOVE LETTER FROM HOME

Louisville, you make good gifts.

Ten makers. Ten ways to say, "this is so you."



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Hi, gift friend.

Maybe it starts with coffee together. Maybe it is the pie you bring anyway, or a tiny bookcase only your best friend would understand. These ten Louisville makers make the feeling personal.

A GIFT IS A LITTLE WAY OF SAYING: "I KNOW YOU."

Find your person. Meet their maker. Give them the story.

TAKE THIS LITTLE LETTER WITH YOU

Scan the full Louisville feature for direct gift links, maker stories, and more local favorites.

Bring something good

For the friend who hosts, the coffee date, and the road-trip crew.

01 / FOR THE COFFEE-DATE FRIEND

THE GIFT

Beans + a mug. Make it a standing coffee date.

Kevin and Ronyale Smith built a coffee gathering place in the West End.

Go for the beans; stay for a coffee date worth repeating.

blakkoffee.com

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02 / FOR THE HOST WHO SAID "BRING NOTHING"

THE GIFT

Sweet potato pie. Bring dessert anyway.

Dawn and Deyago Urrutia pair delicious pies with books for kids.

Ask about Pies with a Purpose; there is more behind every slice.

georgiassweets.com

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03 / FOR THE CURIOUS HOME COOK

THE GIFT

Bluegrass Soy Sauce for their next kitchen experiment.

Matt Jamie gives Kentucky bourbon barrels a delicious second act.

Discover how Kentucky soybeans meet bourbon-barrel flavor.

bourbonbarrelfoods.com

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04 / FOR THE ROAD-TRIP SNACK CAPTAIN

THE GIFT

A plant-based jerky bundle for the snack captain.

Stanley Chase III turned a kitchen mishap into a Louisville favorite.

Let the road-trip crew choose the winning flavor.

lvjco.com

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For their wonderfully specific thing

Not just "something nice". Something so them.

05 / FOR THE “ONE MORE CHAPTER” READER

she speaks art & design

GIVE THIS

A Night Court mini bookcase. They will get it.

Deb handmakes bookish accessories with care and representation.

Peek at the tiny details that make a reader feel seen.
shespeaksartanddesign.com

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06 / FOR THE FRIEND WHO DRESSES LIKE THEMSELVES

VELVET OUTLAW

GIVE THIS

The armadillo bandana. Weirdly perfect for them.

Miranda Deaton makes slow-fashion pieces with personality.

Browse the pieces for someone who never dresses quietly.
velvetoutlaw.com

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07 / FOR THE HOST WITH THE HOME BAR

LOUISVILLE LENDENWOOD goods KENTUCKY

GIVE THIS

A personalized bourbon-stave bottle opener. Cheers.

Megan Mulloy-Huhn transforms Kentucky barrel wood into keepsakes.

Yesterday's bourbon barrel becomes someone's everyday keepsake.
lendenwood.com

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Little gifts. Big meaning.

For the people who notice the care behind a thing.

08 / FOR THE BAG-WITHIN-A-BAG FRIEND

ANCHAL®

THE GIFT

A lilac checkered pouch for the bag-within-a-bag person.

Colleen and Maggie connect design with artisan work.

The little stitches carry a story worth sharing.

anchalproject.org

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09 / FOR THE FRIEND WHO NOTICES EVERY FLOWER

MAYA COLLECTION

THE GIFT

Pressed-flower earrings for the tiny-bloom noticer.

South Louisville jewelry makers create new opportunity.

Meet the makers who turn small designs into opportunity.

mayacollection.org

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10 / FOR THE ONE WITH HAND LOTION EVERYWHERE

MOSS HILL
bath & body collection

THE GIFT

The Dry Skin Relief Gift Box for their lotion collection.

Jeanine and Teri still make and label everything locally.

Discover the small-batch care behind an everyday ritual.

mosshill.net

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THE BEST PART IS THE NOTE YOU WRITE.

"I saw this and thought of you because..."

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