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Books for Christmas

It's the most wonderful time of the year again! We've been busy preparing a list (and checking it twice) of books we think will make brilliant presents.

Books we've read and loved, books we absolutely cannot wait to read, books to savour and books to read when time is short; there's books that make us howl with laughter, and ones that make us pause for thought; and books lavishly filled with images to gaze at again and again.

We hope you find ideas for all your loved ones on the next few pages, including books you'd like to find in your own Christmas stockings. Enjoy!

Art, Music, Fashion & Beautiful Books

100 Dream Cars

A.J. Baime £32.95

Ultimate gift for car lovers.

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Elain Harwood £25

Best-loved and lesser-known buildings.

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Sumptuous houses and interiors from the archives of Country Life.

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Edited by Gestalten £45

Lush interiors and design extravaganza – down with minimalism!

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Caroline Young £22

The homes and landscapes that shaped the designer.

Me

Elton John £25

Gossip of the highest order, brilliantly told in the star's only official autobiography.

London's Great Theatres

Simon Callow and Derry Moore £29.99

Richly illustrated exploration of the most remarkable London theatres.

Morning Glory on the Vine: Early Songs and Drawings

Joni Mitchell £30

Handwritten lyrics and illustrations – recreating a very personal present Joni gave to her friends in 1971.

Pursuit of Art: Travels, Encounters and Revelations

Martin Gayford £16.95

A lifetime of journeys around the world seeking out art and artists.

Self-Portrait

Celia Paul £20

Illustrated memoir and assertion of the artist's story beyond the shadow of her association with Lucian Freud.

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Vogue on Location: People, Places, Portraits

Edited by Chloe Schama and Richard Alleman £45

Travel writing and stunning editorials—sure to inspire.

Voyaging Out: British Women Artists from Suffrage to Sixties

Carolyn Trant £24.95

Chronicle of female artists and their struggle to succeed.

Delicious Feasts

Cheesemonger's History of the British Isles

Ned Palmer £16.99

A celebration of cheese to go perfectly with your Christmas Stilton.

Dinner With Edward

Isabel Vincent £12.99

Food, friendship and joy.

Dishoom

Shamil Thakrar, Kavi Thakrar and Naved Nasir £26

Stunning recipe-packed tour of Bombay.

Downton Abbey Cookbook

Annie Gray £25

The recipe book Mrs Patmore would have written.

From the Oven to the Table

Diana Henry £25

Simple delicious dishes from one of our favourite cooks.

The Little Library Year

Kate Young £25

Recipes and reading for each season.

The Lost Orchard

Raymond Blanc £20

Recipes, stories and photos—a love letter to forgotten varieties.

Where the Wild Cooks Go

Cerys Matthews £25

A world tour of cooking: recipes, poetry, playlists and killer cocktails.

Pasta Grannies

Vicky Bennison £20

The secrets of Italy's best home cooks – delightful and wise!

East: 120 Vegetarian and Vegan Recipes from Bangalore to Beijing

Meera Sodha £20

Easy and tasty recipes from the Guardian's 'New Vegan' column.

People & Places

Behind the Lens

David Suchet £25

Unique autobiography told through the actor's own photos.

Big Sister, Little Sister, Red Sister

Jung Chang £25

Three women at the heart of 20th century China.

Down in the Valley

Laurie Lee £12.99

Portrait of the landscape that shaped the author's life. Never-before-published.

Lady in Waiting: My Extraordinary Life in the Shadow of the Crown

Anne Glenconner £20

Remarkable memoir of friendship and service to Princess Margaret.

A Day Like Today

John Humphrys £20

Backstage account of newsworthy moments in recent history.

Letters From Tove

Tove Jansson £20

50 years of innermost thoughts.

The Life and Loves of E. Nesbit

Eleanor Fitzsimons £20

The melodrama and ménage-a-trois behind the classic stories.

The Man in the Red Coat

Julian Barnes £18.99

Belle Epoque Paris: heroes, villains, writers, artists and thinkers.

Surfacing

Kathleen Jaime £12.99

Luminous essays on archaeology and memory.

The Summer Isles

Philip Marsden £20

Voyage along the Western coasts of Ireland and Scotland in search of islands, real and imagined.

Voices of History: Speeches that Changed the World

Simon Sebag Montefiore £14.99

Great speeches of world history—heroic, diabolical, chilling, exquisite, poignant.

The Other Side of the Coin: The Queen, the Dresser and the Wardrobe *Angela Kelly LVO*

£20

A rare glimpse at a unique working relationship.

The House Party

Adrian Tinniswood £10

Croquet, parlour games, cocktails. A short history of leisure, pleasure and the Country House weekend.

Long Live Latin

Nicola Gardini £14.99

Beautiful love letter to a not-so-dead language.

Novel Houses: Twenty Famous Fictional Dwellings

Christina Hardyment £25

From Wuthering Heights to Howards End, via 221B Baker Street.

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Dominion: The Making of the Western Mind

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Rich and compelling history of Christendom.

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China's tumultuous relationship with the world over the last 800 years.

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Caroline Moorehead £20

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Simon Jenkins £25

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Christiane Ritter £9.99

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Everest England

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12 days of climbing English hills adding up to 29,000ft—the same height as Mount Everest.

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Lindsay McCrae £20

Cameraman's account of 11 months in the Antarctic, filming for BBC's *Dynasties*.

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Erling Kagge £9.99

Wisdom from the explorer's expeditions to the ends of the Earth.

Gardening

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100 brainteasers for gardeners who know their onions.

The Artist's Garden

Jackie Bennett £30

20 gardens that inspired or been home to the greatest painters of history.

English Gardens

Kathryn Bradley-Hole £55

Lavish photographs from the archives of *Country Life Magazine*.

The Story of Gardening

Penelope Hobhouse £35

A cultural history of famous gardens from around the world.

Sport

A Game of Two Halves

Amy Raphael £14.99

Famous football fans interview their heroes.

My Life and Rugby

Eddie Jones £20

Ah, so close! The England manager's autobiography

I, Robot: How to be a Footballer 2

Peter Crouch £20

More exposés on the beautiful game.

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P G Wodehouse £25

A rollicking sport anthology.

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Gyles Brandreth £14.99

Poetry for pleasure and wellbeing.

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Personal and epic survey of 20th century poetry.

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Ian Rankin £20

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