

# MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS ARE MORE THAN JUST FLOWERS

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Not sure what to give Mom on Mother's day? Are you bored with the flower tradition?

A mother is like a flower who procreates tiny ones to build her own beautiful garden - so let's not give a flower to another flower. Let's be more creative and bring in unique ideas.

When Mother's Day is around the corner, one needs to be innovative and expressive which can be achieved in various ways such as handmaking something for her; re-using and recreating old stuff; taking her out; cooking her delicious meals; or even buying something expensive; or spending some quality time.

What are some creative ideas you can make for your mom? To begin with, you can make a Mother's day card from scratch rather than going to the mall and buying one. If your mom loves jewelry or make-up, make her a jewelry box or a make-up kit. Even a handmade shoe rack is a good idea. If you are a gifted artist, you can create a beautiful handkerchief from a piece of cloth. Is your mom a busy working mother? - how about making her a pen holder or even multipurpose containers. A handmade photo frame or album is also a good and innovative thought.

What about re-using old stuff? Really, old stuff? Yes, but something that is not too old and can be both, effective and efficient. How about your mother's favourite mug - you can have something special and meaningful printed on it. If not a mug, then her favourite t-shirt can be inked. If she has a favourite jewelry box that is worn out, you can repaint and redesign it.

Working moms and/or housewives sometimes need a mini vacation - so how about taking her out to her favourite restaurant or movie or a recreation park.

Another idea is to not just take her out but also to create wonderful photos and memories so that you can make a good collage album of the memorable day. A more spectacular idea is to take her to a resort for a couple of days or treat her to a spa day.

Mothers deserve a break from cooking - so why not cook her some of her favourite meals. Another brilliant idea is to bake a Mother's day cake - if it is tough, then attempt to make muffins. Along with meals, you can try making some tasty cocktails or shakes.

Sometimes it is good to spoil your Mom - buy her something expensive, something that she always wanted or will love. Is there something your Mom wanted but could not afford it? How about a beautiful expensive jewelry or dress? Has she been using a ten year old laptop but could not buy one or a 5 year old outdated mobile - then go ahead and treat her with a new one.

Last, but not least- as we get busy with our own individual life in either studies or job, there is less time spent together. Hence, one of the best ways is to take some time off to spend some quality time with your mother - it could be anything from cooking together, gardening, doing some outdoor activities like swimming, cycling, or even playing board/card games. At times, the quality time spent together is more precious than the quantity spent on a person.

So, let's go beyond the flower ideas and be more imaginative and creative about gift ideas for our mother - because along with the innovative ideas that you offer, it's the thought that counts as well - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!