

Show Mom the love: Gifts to make her Day

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It's time to get moving, people. Mother's Day is Sunday, and while she may have loved homemade macaroni necklaces back in the day, you'd better step it up, **CONSIDERING ALL THAT SHE'S DONE FOR YOU.**

Here are some savvy presents that say "Love ya, Mom."

Switchflops can adapt to Mom's many moods. More than 50 straps let her customize her look, with designs ranging from preppy to goth. \$32 to \$37 plus \$10 for additional straps at Mad About Shoe in Winchester, Panza in Framingham or switchflops.com

Towel Spa puts an end to Mom's post-shower chills with a heated towel bar. \$79.99 at Brookstone and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Express the right sentiment in a thoughtful card from **(Hallmark) Red**. Part of the (Product) Red line - proceeds go to The Global Fund - these Mother's Day cards are sweet without being sappy. For example, "He(red)ity gets you started, but love gets you through." From \$2.29 at Hallmark stores.

Give a gift card that gives back. **Melt Spa** will donate 10 percent of all gift cards purchased in May to the Susan G. Komen Foundation as part of its "Spa for a Mother's Cure" promotion. At 172 Newbury St., Boston, 617-262-1116 .

If gardening's her thing, give her the tools to enjoy it, stress-free. These **ergonomic garden tools** by Radius are \$55.85 at amazon.com.

Taj Boston will serve the mother of all buffets on Sunday. Dine on a spread of caviar and blinis, sushi, lamb loin as well as from breakfast stations and international tables. The price - \$98 for adults and \$50 for kids - is steep, but there's face painting and cookie decorating to occupy the little ones. In other words, Mom will actually get to enjoy her meal. Seatings at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. Call 617-598-5255 .

Help your multitasking mom stay organized, without getting weighed down. This 3-piece **jute tote** set features two smaller bags inside the large chocolate striped sac. Mom will also like the tough natural fabric that won't get waterlogged. You'll like the price. \$29.99 at www.daytimer.com.

The **heart bed** from Hollandia is over-the-top, but in a big-hearted way. It has 12 massage programs as well as adjustable back and leg options. Mom can further control her destiny with the ergonomic remote. \$12,000 at hollandiainternational.com or 888-432-BEDS .

Real breakfast in bed - cold toast and soggy cereal - is overrated. But **Philosophy's Breakfast in Bed** beauty set is a can't-miss treat. The 3-in-1 shampoo, shower gel and bubble bath come in yummy scents like cafe au lait, fresh cream and Belgian waffles. \$30 at Sephora.com.

Real flowers only last so long. These chocolate ones from **Godiva** might not make it till dinnertime. And at \$5 a pop, you can spring for a good-sized bouquet. At Godiva in **Faneuil Hall** Marketplace or Prudential Center.