

Nice Ideas For Goodbye Gifts And Bring Home Presents

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Moscow is still under a strict lock down and summer this year feels more like autumn. Anyway we have friends leaving Russia for good this summer and we all share a hope to leave Moscow for a vacation in the nearest future. So let us present or remind you about some ideas on gifts and presents which we like. Things that we hope can make your friends happy. Of course, all of these gifts can be delivered to your home.



Happy Pottery - Uzbek and Polish ceramics

We can't get enough of Uzbek and Polish large plates, small platters, little bowls and cups. Unfortunately there's a lot of fake Chinese plates on the market and you need to know where to buy the best quality authentic pottery. Therefore, we recommend Happy Pottery, run by Andrey. Andrey speaks English and you can ask him about the quality, different colors, modern style platters etc. These days it is easier to order online, but post-quarantine do not miss the Happy Pottery shop if you go to the Izmailovo Market. If you mention "moscowliving" you'll get 15% discount! http://happypottery.

Periodica Press - photo gifts

We received the polaroid gift box from a friend and this was such a nice&personal gift! You can upload the pictures from your mobile on their website and you will receive the perfect birthday or goodbye gift. You can also make personalized photo albums on this website straight from your mobile. Check out their products and prices and surprise someone with this personal gift! <u>https://periodica.press/</u>

Personalized matryoshka - a perfect gift

This is the perfect birthday, work or "leaving Moscow" gift! A matryoshka customized with the faces of your family, your colleagues or you friends. Every time we gave this present it became a big success and surprise! There are only a few good artists who can create a very accurate doll for you and we can highly recommend Raisa, as we've seen her work for 5 different families and she is spot on! You can even customize the clothes or the images on the back, with the historical buildings of Moscow for example. Discuss your wishes and she will help you. And the best thing is that you'll get a 20% discount if you order via us. Just copy our email address (tips@moscowliving.org) in your order and Raisa will offer you this discount. Regular prices: 21 cm 4-x dolls = 24.000 RUB - (4800 RB discount) 18 cm 4-x dolls = 20.000 RUB - (4000 RB discount) 15 cm 4-x dolls = 16.000 RB - (3200 RUB discount) www.artraisa.ru info@artraisa.ru

Agami ceramics - bright&colorful

We ran into this cute ceramic brand on several places such as the Lambada market, Danilovsky market and Tsvetnoy mall. We love their bright, simple and playful style and can't get enough of their designs. The ceramic is handmade and also very popular with the trendy restaurants in Moscow and St. Petersburg. Whether it's for yourself to give your flowers an extra kick with an original vase or as a cool gift; the affordable pricing makes you keep on buying! They also have a shop you can visit, but placing online orders is easier! Location: Mytnaya ulitsa 74 <u>https://agami.moscow/</u>

Chronos Factor - vintage interior

Looking for a vintage piece of furniture, a cool poster from Soviet times or just something for your interior which will remind you of your time in Russia - then Chronosfactor & factory232 are two accounts on Instagram for you to follow.

There are five cool owners who stand behind these Instagram accounts. They love to hunt for vintage objects, renovate them and give these pieces a new life in modern interiors. According to Kirill, who is one of the owners and who also speaks fluent English, they prefer to first find a buyer for their items, and then renovate them according to the particular buyer's taste. We

were lucky to find something we liked on the Instagram during the lock down, it took couple of days for renovation and our object was delivered to our home.

Instagram: Chronosfactor and factory232.

Location: Malaya Semenovskaya 5 bldg 2. Upon agreement only, call Kirill +79154334995

Moscow coffee table books

There are many beautiful pictures taken of this impressive city. Some modern and some from the old days. In our Coffee Table Books Top Five blog

https://www.moscowliving.org/post/moscow-coffee-table-books-top5 we list our favorite coffee table books with pictures of Moscow. Great souvenir or goodbye gift! You can buy them online at www.respublica.ru Sometimes you can find good deals on: www.designbook.ru. Enjoy!

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