

Shower Her

BABY SHOWER GIFT GUIDE

Who doesn't love a baby shower with its gabby games, finger foods and the chance to indulge in total girly silliness? These days, some baby showers are more inclusive of the dad-to-be and family members, including siblings. But the most important thing is that the mom-to-be emerges from the fun feeling loved and supported by all

who wish only the best for her and baby.

In addition to the diapers, wipes and other much-needed baby duds, we've found some terrific gift ideas sure to please and a few websites that will help ensure a successful shower. Moms-to-be, tear this article out and hand it over to your mom, your sister or best friend to get the party planning started!



BEST BABY SHOWER SITES

-  From gift ideas to games:
www.babyshower101.com
-  Ultrasound photo frames:
www.bestbabyshower.com
-  Directions for a diaper cake:
www.creative-baby-shower-ideas.com
-  Custom themes:
www.babyshowerstuff.com
-  Shower invites:
www.hallmark.com
or www.tinyprints.com



Total indulgence

(1) Set aside the ravages of swollen ankles, crazy hormones and chocolate cravings for one perfect moment. Wrap her in total cashmere and wool indulgence with the Hooded Sweater Dress from the Isabella Oliver maternity collection (\$209; www.isabellaoiver.com).

Layer it on

(2) She's doing her best to stay active in pregnancy and she doesn't want to wear his too-big athletic jacket on those cool morning walks. Born Fit's maternity jacket is both moisture-wicking and super stretchy for comfort she can use before and after baby's birth (\$88; www.bornfit.com).

Breast is best

(3) Help her start and continue breastfeeding for as long as possible with this popular nursing guide that also has a companion nursing journal. The Nursing Mother's Companion (\$14.95) and its sister Breastfeeding Diary (\$12.95), are easy to use reference guides and the diary includes interesting quotes and stories as she logs her own experiences to share with baby as he grows.

Snuggle her

(4) She's going to spend the next 12+ months searching for the "binkie" the "pac" or the "cork" - help her keep it close in a snuggly blanket for baby with a sewn-in pocket for pacifiers from Luv My Woobie. (starting at \$64 from www.luvmywoobie.com)

Bag it!

(5) Bag it! She'll adore a designer tote created in her choice of fabrics for all of baby's essentials yet stylish enough not to scream baby bag! Add a matching baby book to record those precious moments on the go from Vera Bradley (Baby bag \$97; Baby book \$25; www.verabradley.com)

Do it on the floor

(6) She'll be ready for Mommy and Me classes now that she's got a 100% latex- and PVC-free eco friendly barrier to put between baby and all the germs that lurk on the gym floor. A carry bag helps tote to play groups, yoga class and the park from Oshimot (starting at \$45; www.Oshimat.com)

Eating out of her hands

(7) Who can resist the charm of feeding baby her first foods from a custom-stamped stainless steel spoon from the Vintage Pearl - no silver polish required! (\$20; www.thevintagepearl.com)