

Zero Waste Gift Guide



So, what is zero waste?

The simple answer: aim to send nothing to a landfill; reduce what we need; reuse as much as we can; send little to be recycled, and compost what we cannot.

Looking for sustainable gift ideas for the holidays and beyond? Look no further. Here are some suggestions for gifts that won't hurt the planet and will bring a smile to the receiver.

- Shop consignment and vintage stores for reduced prices on pre-owned designer clothing. Try [Ina](#) , [Michael's](#), [Beacon's Closet](#)
- Jump start a commitment to a zero waste lifestyle with plastic free items such as [Silicone Stretch bowl covers](#) and [stainless steel straws](#) (similar items available at University Hardware between 113th and 114th & Broadway) or [Stasher](#) silicone food bags (sold locally at Health Nuts) or [mesh produce bags](#) (coming soon to Westside Market at 110th.) *Buy local when possible!*
- Contribute to environmental organizations in honor of a friend or relative. Consider [Riverside Park Conservancy](#), [Audubon Society](#) or [National Resource Defense Council](#).
- Scan this comprehensive [Zero Waste Holiday Gift Guide](#) produced by Zero Waste NYC for kids' gifts, experiences, subscriptions and much more.

Best wishes from It's Easy Being Green for a healthy, sustainable and fun holiday!