

Shop Local

Before you endlessly scroll through Amazon searching for deals, know that the best gifts are just around the corner. Show your small-town pride by purchasing presents in the Hudson Valley: We've selected 29 stores in six towns that are guaranteed to have something special and unique for everyone on your list. (P.S. we encourage you to explore all the amazing shops these towns offer. If we covered them all, this feature would take up the whole issue!)

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Beacon

Berte

500 Main Street | shopberte.com
"I have a bit of an allergy to 'sameness.' I get bored easily," says owner Aimée deSimone. That's why Berte is stocked with a curated (but frequently updated) assortment of eclectic and on-trend home décor, accessories, and much more.

Hudson Beach Glass

162 Main | hudsonbeachglassshop.com
This glass studio has been casting functional sculptures and home goods—like kitchenware, jewelry, barware, and candle holders—for 35 years. (You can even watch the magic happen during store hours.)

Hunca Munca's

145 Main | [@hunca_muncas](https://www.instagram.com/hunca_muncas)
Hunca Munca's offers cute, sustainable toys and goods like woodland baskets and stuffed animals, wood building blocks and kitchen sets, and a selection of curated clothing.

Lewis & Pine

133 Main | lewisandpine.com
Beautiful, lightweight jewelry is the focus of this shop, but they also sell candles and diffusers, stationery, and more. This just in: a second location recently opened on Main Street in Cold Spring.

Raven Rose

474 Main | ravenrosebeacon.com
Offering all things flora and fauna, Raven Rose is perfect for friends and family members with green thumbs. You'll find a wonderful array of plants and planters, garden accessories, fresh and dry flowers, and wellness products.

Utensil Kitchenware

143 Main | utensilkitchenware.com
Utensil has it all—dishware, Weck and Mason jars, dozens of different pots and pans, DIY foodie kits, and more. (And, of course, utensils.) Look out for a second location opening soon at Eastdale Village in Poughkeepsie.



"Wooden tea sets and play kitchen toys are beautiful and unique. Children love the open-ended and imaginative play time that comes from them."

—Erika Barratt, owner of Hunca Munca's

"All our products are handmade! I recommend any of our stunning jewelry or intricate knives."

—Wendy Gilvey, owner of Hudson Beach Glass



Cold Spring

“We love gifting men with sloth socks and cocktail travel kits for the busy (and slow living) guys in our lives.”

—Grace Kang, founder of Pink Olive

● **Cold Spring General Store**

66 Main Street | coldspringgeneralstore.com
A shop devoted to all things local, this upscale general store is stocked with curated products like wellness items, books, outdoor gear, men’s and women’s apparel, jewelry, cozy throws, candles, and room scents, many of which are made in the Valley.

● **Pink Olive**

80 Main | pinkolive.com
This pastel pink shop-on-the-corner prides itself on offering up “whimsical gifts for happiness and home.” The paper goods are fantastic, the accessories are on trend, and the home décor could be plucked straight from your favorite Pinterest boards.

● **Poor George**

64 Main | shoppoorgeorge.com
Though focused on vintage clothing, this groovy store has plenty of other great gifts. Everything is super chic and aesthetic, especially the apothecary items, accessories like hair clips and unique scarves, and stylish housewares.

● **The Gift Hut**

86 Main | thegifhut.com
If your kid (or kid at heart) loves spending hours on a jigsaw puzzle, this is your store. Ranging from 300–1,000 pieces, the options range from animals and nature, gorgeous landscapes, culinary spreads, and more. There are also plenty of other toys like model kits and building blocks.



“We’re big fans of themed gifts. A popular eco-friendly option is a tote used as the gift bag, filled with pampering items like reusable cotton rounds, bath salts and soaks, a face mask, and body butter.”

—Cadah Goulet, owner of Poor George

Hudson

● **Fig and Bella**

525 Warren Street | figandbella.com
When they’re not hand-dyeing textiles in a Clinton Corners studio, owners Olivier Solanet and Andrew Spitalera enjoy looking for “hand-made goods for the home from around the world, country, and county.” Fig and Bella is best known for its eye-catching pillows and scarves, fragrances, and tableware.

● **Hudson Home**

366 Warren | hudson-home.com
Among all the upscale and vintage furniture, you’ll find plenty of gifts for the home carefully curated by owners Greg and Richard including pillows, throws, candle holders, found objects, and decorative accent pieces.

● **Lili and Loo**

259 Warren | liliandloo.com
A self-described space of “the sleek and rustic, the ancient and modern, the raw and the refined,” Lili and Loo is both eccentric and cool. From furnishings, housewares, and home accessories (such as statement pieces like busts of ancient figures) to jewelry and clothing, gifts here are one-of-a-kind.

● **The Quiet Botanist**

447 Warren | thequietbotanist.com
Beyond the fan-favorite dried botanicals, there are fancy gardening tools, a small selection of apparel, home accessories like candles and linens, and pantry items such as looseleaf tea and edible flowers.



“Everyone loves our pillows—including dogs who enjoy them as beds! We also recommend our scarves and handmade jewelry.”

—Olivier Solanet, co-owner of Fig and Bella

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“New this year are gorgeous cashmere sweaters from Eleven Six and wool cardigans handmade in Ireland. We also have our customer-favorite embroidered Hudson Valley sweatshirt.”

—Scott Neild, owner of Clove and Creek



Kingston

● **Bluecashew Kitchen Homestead**

37 North Front Street | bluecashewkitchen.com
With a goal of educating customers to make the most of the region’s bounty, Bluecashew stocks everything from bakeware and kitchen tools to table linens and cookbooks. There are plenty of local goods, like Shokan’s Fruition Chocolate Works and ceramics by MQuan Studio in Saugerties.

● **Clove & Creek**

73 Broadway | cloveandcreek.com
This lifestyle shop (which has a sister store in Hudson) has something for everyone—there are household gifts for the kitchen, bar, and outdoors; rugs and textiles; skincare and fragrance; and artsy items like Hudson Valley-themed books, prints, and games.

● **Exit Nineteen**

309 Wall Street | exitnineteen.com
Know a birder? Exit Nineteen carries a line of eco-friendly and easy-to-build birdhouses and bird displays. Beyond the avian items, there are candles and fragrances (categorized by type and theme), dinnerware and serving accessories, and pretty linens like napkins and tea towels.

● **Spruce Design + Decor**

63 Broadway | sprucedesignanddecor.com
Simply put, everything at Spruce is elegant. The shop specializes in dining and bar collections, with curated bar tools, glassware, serving boards, and even interesting bitters and cocktail mixes. You’ll also find a dedicated apothecary, art, lighting, mirrors, and home accessories.



Rhinebeck

● Hammertown Barn

6420 Montgomery Street | hammertown.com

We love Hammertown's tagline: "We offer everything you need to feel at home, including the warm welcome." Because it's true. Beyond their well-edited collection of furnishings, you'll find an outstanding selection of unique home accessories, tableware, decorative pillows, jewelry, elegant bedding, rugs, and more. They also have a sister store in Pine Plains.

● Irwin Garden

11 Market Street | irwingarden.com
This is a mecca for natural gifts. There are ceramic vases and modern concrete bowls, tusk-shaped candles, vintage pillows, and beauty products like soaps and bath fizz. They make it easy during the holidays, too: choose from one of five gift bundles, such as "Soak it Up" and "Sweet Dreams."

● Land of Oz Toys

22 Market Street | landofoztoys.com
It's hard to describe a toy store that has, well, everything a child would want. Select from arts and crafts sets, construction and vehicle kits, stuffed animals, and various games. You can even help a kid become a future computer genius with a cool coding and robotics kit.

● Paper Trail

6423 Montgomery Street | papertrailrhinebeck.com
Yes, there are gorgeous cards and stationery, but other paper products, too, like prints, calendars, notepads, and planners in a variety of colors and sizes.) Additional gifts include jewelry and accessories, kitchen and home items, and trendy eyewear.

● StarryBird Kids

6423 Montgomery Street | starrybirdkids.shop
Fashion-forward + comfortable = StarryBird. Dress a kid you love in their outerwear, pajamas, footwear, rompers—you name it, it's here. Plus, there's a lovely selection of car seats and strollers, child wellness products, décor (like nightlights and mobiles), and maternity and nursing essentials.

● Warren Kitchen & Cutlery

6934 Route 9 | warrenkitchenandcutlery.com
If you know someone who needs a knife upgrade, you've come to the right place—there are 1,500 different styles of knives here, including imported Japanese blades. Bonus: Warren offers drop-off sharpening and engraving services. Other products include cookware sets, upscale bakeware, and a ton of cast iron pans.

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"For women, check out our luxurious floral-and plaid-printed Epice wool scarves. We also recommend our comfy Banarasi cobalt throw from Designers Guild."

—Serine Hastings, owner of Paper Trail

Woodstock

● Casa Ziki

35 Mill Hill Road | casaziki.com
This design store is filled to the brim with zany and vibrant home goods—like tapers, dishware, vessels and trays, and table mirrors. It's also home to a handful of items from up-and-coming designers and brands, plus beauty products and modern jewelry.

● Lovewild Design

40 Mill Hill Road | lovewilddesign.com
Come here for the sustainable someone in your life. All gifts are low-waste and/or eco-friendly: choose from unique bath and beauty items (the Mexican Moon Bath soak is uber relaxing), kitchenware, and thoughtful books. Grab a card before you leave—they're embedded with seeds and can be planted in soil.

● Maverick Road

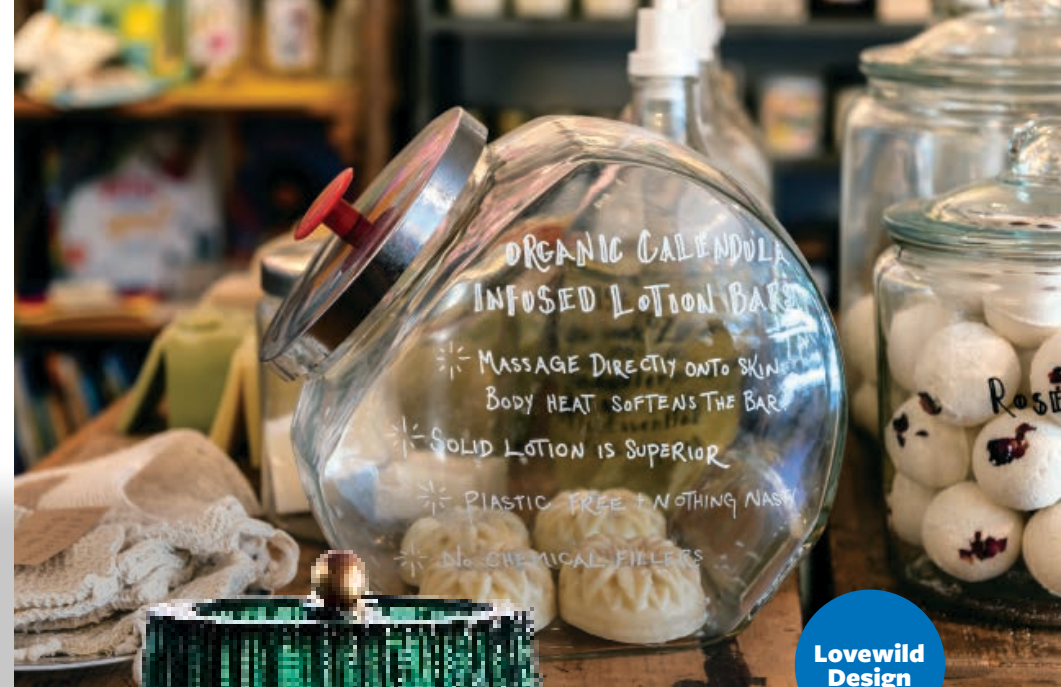
54 Tinker Street | maverickroad.com
This boho shop follows three simple rules: offer locally made gifts, highlight small makers, and give back to people and the earth. Amongst all the color and pop, you'll find home décor like prints, decorated pillows, and disco ball planters. Items dedicated to plants, wellness, and stationery are also available (and super cute).

● Shop Little House

47 Tinker Street | shoplittlehouse.com
Gift the hikers, outdoorsy peeps, and nature lovers something from Shop Little House, whose motto is "supplies for modern pioneers." There are vintage-y wall hangings and tote bags designed with mushrooms, birds, and camping cartoons; barware perfect for a cabin in the woods; and cozy pillows and blankets for indoor and outdoor use.

● Tinker Toys

5 Mill Hill Road | [Find them on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/tinkertoys)
This store is as joyful as its name is witty! Children's instruments, paper kits, toadstool bowling sets, and building blocks are just some of the offerings. And you can even encourage kiddos to travel the world with globes—some of which double as a nightlight.



Lovewild Design



"The Pleat Lamp from Wooj Design is 3D-printed out of corn plastic! It's a playful take on the classic table lamp silhouette, and it captures a dynamic and elegant flow of a pleated skirt in motion."

—Sylvana Kiss and Sasha Zinshtein, owners of Casa Ziki

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