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## The Best Spirits to Buy This Holiday Season

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For the cocktail aficionado in your life, these are the best spirits to give this holiday season.

While outfits, accessories, and [tech supplies](#) are the popular go-to gifts during the holiday season, spice things up a little with a delicious spirit that's bound to garner appreciation from the recipient. Whether you're shopping for someone who doesn't "need" anything or you're thinking of a practical present that won't collect dust, giving a spirit during the holidays is guaranteed to be a winner.

Whether it's a fine, aged whiskey or a smooth gin, there's a liquor for everyone. The range in price points and flavor profiles means that there are boundless options, and you can even spice things up by adding a cocktail delivery kit—like [Shaker & Spoon](#), which includes everything you need to make the cocktail, sans liquor, but that's where your gift comes in.

We've put together a list of the top spirits that are perfect gifts to give this holiday season, and beyond.



Courtesy Singani 63

### Singani 63

Unaged grape brandy 'singani' is often compared to the likes of pisco, but this floral 500-year-old Bolivian spirit is unique in itself—and by law must be grown and distilled at 5,000 or more feet above sea level. Currently Singani 63 is the only bottle of the spirit widely available in the US, and was launched by film director Steven Soderbergh (of Ocean's movie fame).

[To buy: \\$30](#)