



OUTDOOR Swimmer

CHRISTMAS GIFT GUIDE

WELCOME

Editor's Letter



As soon as the schools go back in autumn it feels like Christmas isn't far away and before long we will be making New Year resolutions! When I worked for a retailer, we had a rule about not advertising Christmas in our magazine and on television until after Remembrance Day in November, despite Christmas decorations hitting the shop floor at the end of September. Christmas can be an emotionally loaded time and this year, with the cost of living, it is going to feel even more challenging than usual.

We have a vast readership and not everyone will celebrate Christmas, but a lot of you will know someone that does, and you might be looking for inspiration. The

best thing about swimmers is that there is always something to buy them and with any budget in mind. There are some lovely makers and creators in the community making wonderful things for swimming enthusiasts and lots of independent, small businesses trying to solve swimmer issues with brilliant kit. This month we have pulled together a little gift guide to inspire and excite swimmers, whether you are the one buying or popping it on your own Christmas list. Many of those featured are small businesses, so do consider supporting them when shopping this season.

Ella Foote
Editor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ella'.

ON MY CHRISTMAS LIST...



The Rambling Artist – Map Artwork, from £95

Old maps transformed into works of art. If you know someone who has a special swimming spot, this is a beautiful way to capture it and gift it. theramblingartist.co.uk



Handmade Celebration and Christmas Crackers, £25 for six

Lovingly crafted from old maps and books, with unique handmade gifts and found vintage objects, these crackers almost too good to pull! ecomagpie.com



The Art of Wild Swimming Ireland, £14.99

Anna Deacon and Vicky Allan have created another beautiful book and this time they are swimming across Ireland. A book worth getting at Christmas to help plan 2023 adventures. waterstones.com



Voylok Boots, from £115

I love these warm and waterproof wellie-inspired boots. Perfect for after swimming to slip on and stomp through mud! Also the most sustainable boot in the world. voylok.com



Losttime Art prints, from £15

I love Dan's handmade lino-cut prints. From mermaids and swimmers to coffee cups and penguins, this is art with soul. etsy.com/UK/shop/losttimeArt



Gift of swimming, from £5

Gift Vouchers from all my favourite swim guides! Gift an adventure for swimmers who fancy something a bit different or bespoke and special.

Susanna Swims in the Lake District
suzannaswims.co.uk

Viv Rickman in Snowdonia
viviennerrickman.co.uk

Dip Advisor in South England
thedipadvisor.co.uk

Swim Wild in Scotland
swimwilduk.com



ANDREA HALL

Artist Andrea Hall produces beautiful unique gifts featuring her own joyful swimming artwork. Her portfolio ranges from greetings cards to large wall art panels with lots in-between, including notebooks, swim logs, prints, t-shirts and even cushions and festival bucket hats!

These pretty Christmas cards come in a set of eight and are new for the 2022 Christmas season, and Andrea's popular 2023 calendar features 12 full-size illustrations – a great value way to put a big smile on someone's face.

Most items are under £50, but if you do spend more than that, you'll get automatic free delivery on her website, so why not treat yourself as well as your swim buddies this Christmas! Oh, and don't forget to look for the tiny duck who inhabits every piece Andrea creates... somewhere!
andreaHall.co.uk



DRYROBE®

Keep swimming all winter long with the dryrobe® Advance – the original outdoor changing robe. Designed to allow you to get changed in any location, it offers the ultimate protection from what nature has to offer.

The dryrobe® Advance's uniqueness comes from its super-warm lining, made with 100% recycled polyester. This fast-drying lining ensures that it can be used numerous times throughout the day without the hassle of drying in between uses.

The sleek waterproof and windproof outer shell fabric is sustainably created with 100% recycled nylon, meaning that both the inner and outer of the dryrobe® Advance has a huge appeal for those searching for an eco-conscious, high-performance changing robe.

From fabric to finish, the dryrobe® Advance range is sealed with an eco-friendly, plant-based, water-repellent treatment to waterproof the fabric.

Having met rigorous social and environmental standards, dryrobe® is a certified B Corp, balancing profit with people and the planet.

Price: £160 | dryrobe.com



COOTS LONDON

COOTS London is an independent performance swimwear brand. Their collections are expertly crafted in a zero-waste factory in East London. Each suit is inspired by the art of swimming and constructed from regenerated nylon (ECONYL®) made from rescued waste that would otherwise pollute our earth and oceans. Perfect for those who want to swim but not compromise on design.

Visit coots-london.com and follow @coots_london on instagram.

Prices: £110-170

COOTS



TRIHARD

You are still on time! Our swim and recovery products make a perfect gift for your loved ones to look and feel great this holiday season. Eliminate the harmful effects of the pool and ocean chemicals while recovering your body and relaxing your mind with TRIHARD.

What are you waiting for? Get ready for the holidays and get the perfect swimmer gift today with 20% off site-wide and 22% off when you purchase a gift card!

Code: GIFT20 & GIFTCARD22



ZOGGS OPEN WATER SWIMSUITS

Introducing the newest instalment of Zoggs' vibrant sustainable OW swimwear, designed to turn heads and empower women to embrace the open water. Whether you're dipping or long-distance swimming, Zoggs' thermal silver-lined swimwear allows you to experience the exhilaration of open water 'skin swims' whilst fostering a powerful female community spirit. Zoggs' bright, bold patterns celebrate women of different shapes, sizes and backgrounds and their thermal silver lining offers an insulative boost to your core, retaining body heat for 60% longer than normal swimwear.



Get 20% off with code: **OSXMAS20**
Offer ends December 1st.

ORCA

Orca's Hydro Booties provide maximum thermal insulation to your feet. And thanks to their fit, they stay put and will not bother you while swimming.

EXTRA WARMTH – The Thermal X thermal lining provides added warmth, helping to trap heat and avoid heat loss throughout your workout.

COMFORT AND FIT – The pattern with a separated toe improves the fit, allowing the Hydro Booties to stay in place, thus preventing water from entering. In addition, the soft thermal lining provides added comfort and prevents chafing on the skin.

**This accessory should be worn under a neoprene wetsuit to minimise water entry.



CARIBOU BACKPACK BY WILD MOOSE

The Caribou 45L backpack features a roll-top opening, zip-out dry bag to keep your wet gear separate, stretchy side pockets for flasks and a comfortable, adjustable carrying system among other features. Made from tough, waterproof tarpaulin with heat welded seams, with its roomy capacity it will be the perfect companion on your wildest swims and swim-hikes.

Available in hot pink, electric blue and olive green

Price £65

wild-moose.co.uk



SWIMBLER

Swimblers innovative collection of waterproof bobble hats are the ideal gift for the open water swimmer in your life. The beautiful bright and warm hats will be your perfect companion whilst ensuring you will be seen, keeping toasty warm with the elements off your head.

Stuck for ideas? Choose what everyone is talking about while being stylish both in and out of the water. Unique three-layer design.

Perfect for all your outdoor adventures and great 5-star reviews.

swimblers.co.uk

Price: £30-32



THE
AWARD
WINNING HAT

CHANGEINBAG

Meet the latest version of our changelNbag.

Made using recycled materials, a versatile backpack that includes a tent section to offer shelter from the elements as well as privacy whilst changing. Your own portable changing room! The bag unzips fully flat and is padded for standing comfort, a pullout waterproof cover keeps the back of the bag clean and dry whilst in use. Then extra side and back pockets offer generous and useful storage so you can carry all your gear in the one bag. We also have useful items for post activity.

Price £64.99

Found at:

changeinbag.co.uk



INSULATED TKPRO FLASK FROM KLEAN KANTEEN



100% plastic free, Klean Kanteen's Insulated 750ml TKPro is the perfect flask to have by your side on picnics, camping or outdoor adventures. Featuring an integrated double-wall

stainless steel cup and 360-degree pour-through functionality, the TKPro features Klean Kanteen's TK Closure™ internal thread design which provides cutting edge thermal performance, keeping contents hot for up to 28 hours or iced for up to 90 hours.

Perfect for sipping coffee in the park or on your next adventure, the TKPro is your built-to-last solution. Make sure it's in your bag before any days out, you won't want to be without it!

Price: £39.95

kleankanteen.co.uk



FOR THE CONFIDENT SWIMMER IN YOUR LIFE

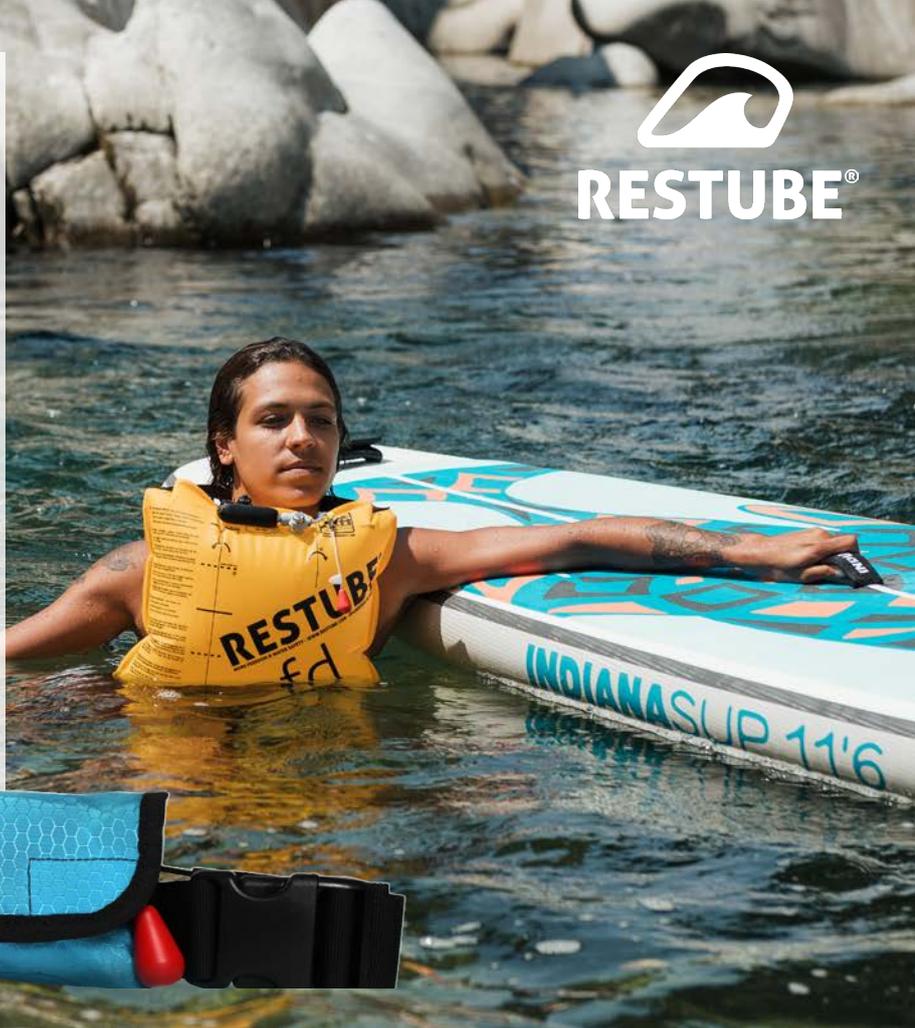
With RNLI lifeguards reporting a 132% increase of Stand Up Paddleboard incidents, a study found most SUP users do not use a personal floatation device – and the most common reason why? Being a confident swimmer! This was closely followed by a dislike of wearing a classic life jacket.

That's where Restube comes in, brought to the UK from Germany to answer this urgent safety need, first for swimmers with the Restube Active instant inflation tube style and now with a design especially for Stand Up Paddleboard users. The Restube PFD for SUP is the CE-certified buoyancy aid that can deliver 75 Newtons of buoyancy when you need it most.

Lightweight and easy to wear with the included belt or direct to other kit, it's ready when you need it and subtle when you don't. Just one tug provides instant inflation – a necessary accessory no matter how strong their swimming skills.

For the latest model visit the official site: restube.co.uk

Price: £89.99



RESTUBE®

SNUG BUD®

Introducing the World's First Wearable Hot Water Bottle with a hand-warming sleeve. SNUG BUD® is designed for people who love the bracingly cold outdoors – and the wonderfully cosy indoors.

Worn front or back, SNUG BUD® is the radiating warmth and comfort of a hot water bottle wherever you go. Outdoors, to swimming, to school or to the shops. Indoors, to your study, to the kitchen or simply to the couch.

Whatever you're doing, SNUG BUD® leaves your hands free – to drive, to work, to cook or, hey, just to hold your much-needed latte.

Instructions for use: put the supplied hot water bottle into our six-layer, safety-first pouch. Sling the pouch over your shoulder. Feel warm. Look cool.

Visit our website for shopping and the full story:

www.snugbud.com



The **coolest** way to keep warm



Our eco-friendly packaging makes SNUG BUD® a great gift, warming your friends and family – not the planet.



ZOGGS

OPEN WATER SWIMWEAR

WITH THERMAL SILVER LINING



Four New Powerful Prints

Ecofeel™ made from 100% recycled plastic, with new Zoggs Thermal Silver Lining* technology

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*retains body heat 60% longer than normal swimwear

