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MINUTE
HOLIDAY
HAIR

DAZZLE ON A DIME!

- DRESSES
- JACKETS
- CLUTCHES
- SHOES

OUR
**SPEND
LESS**
SAVE MORE
GIFT GUIDE

SHINING MOMENTS OF 2013
50 WOMEN WHO MADE US PROUD

**QUICK
& EASY**
PARTY IDEAS



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1. These fragrances are perfect for layering or wearing alone: **Bond No. 9 The Scintillating Scent of Peace sampler set**, \$535, bondno9.com.
2. Lace it up with **Banana Republic L'Wren Scott Collection jacket**, \$165, bananarepublic.com.
3. Jot down your next great idea with this stylish **Parker pen and notebook gift set**, \$50-\$95, parkerpen.com.
4. Style + beauty: **Tarte's Off the Cuff Amazonian clay 12-hour blush palette and bracelet**, \$42, exclusively at Sephora.
5. Beam YouTube videos and Netflix shows from your tablet to your TV with **Chromecast**, \$35, amazon.com.
6. More women are stepping up to the bar to order brown spirits. Get cozy with **Jameson Black Barrel whiskey**, \$35; **Compass Box Peat Monster whiskey**, \$65; and **Aberlour 12-year-old scotch**, \$45, available at liquor stores.
7. Spritz on a bit of luxury with **Jimmy Choo White Edition Parfum**, \$150, 1.3 oz, macys.com.
8. Stay red-carpet-ready with **Bobbi Brown Cosmetics by Lulu Frost Swarovski crystal-embellished compact**, \$150, bobbibrowncosmetics.com.
9. Get two for the price of one with the **PocketPlug charger + protector** for iPhone 4s and 5s, \$70, goprong.com.
10. Google's **Nexus 7** is ultra-lightweight and boasts a sharp 7-inch screen; from \$229, amazon.com.
11. Ingenious! It's a printer in your pocketbook: **Planon PrintStik**, \$299, planon.com.
12. Try this pretty ear candy, **Swarovski by Shourouk earrings**, \$180, swarovski.com.
13. **Sitota Collection* candles** capture luxe scents from around the world (shown: Blue Nile, \$55, thesitotacollection.com). Use code ESSENCE20 to get 20% off a votive gift set of four 3-oz candles (limited time only).
14. Pavement stunners: **Jimmy Choo "Talan" pumps**, \$1,195, jimmychoo.com.
15. Start "bring your chic bag to work day" by toting this **Coach "Madison" purse**, \$498, coach.com. >