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Gift Guide: 27 White Spirits We Stand Behind

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And where to buy the right bottle online

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When it comes to gift giving, it's the thought that counts. And when that thought involves sharing a little holiday spirit with your fellow man, all the better. *Holiday spirit*, in this case, is a euphemism for booze. Duh. Be the most popular person at the holiday party this year by giving a bottle of something stiff, like vodka, gin or even mezcal. If you're lucky, you might even get a little nip as a thank you. This year, we've come up with more gift ideas than you can shake a stir-stick at, complete with links to where to buy them.

Gin

[...] We're talking white spirits here, but several gin producers have been putting their product in barrels, just to see what happens. The result: a pale straw color and warm spiced flavors. **Citadelle Réserve Gin** (\$38, [Blackwell's](#)), from France, retains the fruitiness of the original botanicals, accented by vanilla and spice. **Chief Gowanus** (\$37, [DrinkUpNY.com](#)), the newest gin from the New York Distilling Company, is made in the Genever style, with notes of rye, juniper and citrus. Perhaps the strangest release of the year has been **Pierre Almas 9** (\$95, [Astor Wines & Spirits](#)), a mezcal-based spirit infused with nine gin botanicals that evokes herbs, spice and smoke all at once.

