

Gift Giving Ideas

What to get the farmer who has everything



Gifts to keep giving: What to get the farmer who has everything

As shoppers crowd mainstream chain stores to select gifts, you may be scratching your head while trying to come up with the perfect gift for the farmer on your list. Here are a few ideas from your friends at Penton Agriculture.

Tools

Heavy Duty Cordless Tools and Flashlight

Porter Cable's heavy duty 20V Max Linked system is ideal for farm work. The Max product lineup includes a reciprocating saw, circular saw, oscillating tool, grinder, jigsaw and flashlight. The [flashlight's four LEDs deliver 120 lumens for plenty of visibility](#), and a pivoting head makes it easy to adjust the light beam toward almost any working area.

Buck or Leatherman Knives

One can never have enough quality pocketknives or a multi tool. A good Buck or Leatherman knife that is lightweight to carry and easy to use for any job is a must on the farm.

Pliers

Just like a good Buck Knife or Leatherman Knife, one can never have enough pliers for the shop or in the house. A good sturdy pair of pliers is a must for any farmer. Pliers were probably the first tool your farmer ever owned or carried.

Grease Guns

It's a good idea to have more than one grease gun in the shop. For those hard-to-reach places where you can only get in one arm to hold the gun, but can't quite get the other to squeeze, that's where the battery operated guns come in handy.

Automotive Diagnostic Scanner

Diagnostic scanners are electronic tools used to interface with, diagnose and sometimes reprogram vehicle control modules. Figure out the problem with a handy code reader or scanner to get you back on the road.

Battery Jump Starter Packs

Never be stranded with a dead battery again. A car battery charger is a great way to recharge or maintain your automobile, RV, boat or recreational vehicle batteries.

Roadside Emergency Kit

Never leave home without vehicle emergency kit Items such as road flares, batteries, flashlight, poncho, safety vest, jumper cables, first aid kit, shovel, tow rope, etc. Be ready if you are stranded.

Portable Air Compressor Bubble

It's a good idea to have a portable bubble to take out to the field to inflate a low tire or to clean up a project while away from the shop.

Tool Chest Set

Improve organization in the shop with a selection of various sizes of tool chests. Most are stackable, with casters to move around the shop.

Magnetic Tool Wristband

Keep tools organized and within reach while you work. Ideal for holding nails, screws, fasteners, wrenches and small tools.

Apparel and Outerwear

Buck Naked Boxers

No pinch, no stink, no sweat. These boxers were worn and [approved by our very own Penton Agriculture editors](#) and highly recommended for everyday wear around the farm. The soft, no-bunch waistband and moisture-wicking ability make them an ideal gift for any father, son or brother.

Carhartt Brand Apparel

From jeans to shoes to coats and jackets, you can never go wrong getting anything Carhartt. Check out the brand's special National FFA Organization lines. Carhartt also makes officially [licensed sports team coats and outerwear](#), as well as "Made in the USA" Realtree Camo gear.

Under Armour Brand Apparel

Under Armour is always good to have on hand. Cold layers are almost a must when working outside in below freezing temperatures. Pairing up with Cotton Incorporated, Under Armour's line of 'Charged Cotton' is comfortable, affordable and should be in every farmer's wardrobe. Also try the brand's camouflage line.

Insulated Overalls

Keep warm wearing insulated overalls while doing chores and projects out in the cold.

Wool Shirts

You can't ever have enough wool or flannel shirts around the farm.

Bogs Roper Boots

Designed for comfort and durability with a 13-inch shaft and flexible four way stretch 7mm Neo-Tech insulation, Bogs Roper boots are an ideal gift choice. An all-purpose, self-cleaning outsole kicks away dirt so that you always have a sure step. The boots also include a contoured fit with a wider toe box and narrower heel for maximum support. These boots are known to [keep you comfortable when you're dealing with the unexpected](#).

Gloves

They are a farm classic – you know they'll like it! Everybody needs a good pair of work gloves.

Yaktrax

Invest in a lightweight and easy to use ice-traction device that provides greater stability while walking on snow or ice.

Accessories/Tech

Scout Kit/Go Pro

Now you can scout your crops and cover 100 acres in 10 minutes. There are a handful of kits to choose from to fit your farm needs.

Smart Phone or Tablet

Smartphones are quickly becoming tools of the trade that make some tasks a lot less stressful by having information needed at your fingertips. You can download and enjoy an array of apps for both your phone and tablet to help with your farming operation, including a handful of [apps from Penton Agriculture](#).

Smart Phone Protection

What farmer doesn't need an [Otterbox to protect his or her smartphone](#)? The company touts its products as "water proof, drop proof, dust proof, crush proof." Many say they are also farmer proof!

Wireless Security Camera

Set up a wireless security camera system in your barn to check on livestock. Most systems are compatible with mobile devices, allowing you to check in remotely.

Portable Solar Charger

Reliable, rugged and easy-to-use, portable solar chargers allow you the power you need at a moment's notice to charge your phone, laptop, or any other mobile device when you aren't near a wall outlet.

Shoe and Boot Dryer

Eliminate wetness, sweat and odors caused by perspiration and bacteria while extending the life of your boots.

Tile

Do you frequently misplace your keys or gadgets in your smart office? Tile is a tiny Bluetooth tracker that you can attach to items to help to [keep track of them with a smartphone app](#). You can ring items within a 100-foot range and the app keeps a record of where you last placed items.

Universal Charging Station

With the plethora of devices that you have, [a charging station is a must-have](#) for your smart office. The options are endless.

The Nest Cam

This camera is easy to setup and use—it is accessible from your smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer. You can also [set alerts for motion or sound, and listen or speak](#). It can easily stand, connect to a magnet, or attach to a wall or tripod. The device does require wireless internet connectivity.

iPad

The iPad is a [staple for many farm offices](#)—especially when you are on the go. The iPad Pro offers a 12.9-inch Retina display, faster performance than the iPad Air, is 6.9 mm thick, 1.57 lbs., and has between 9 and 10 hours of battery life depending upon the model and usage. You can also purchase many complementary accessories.

Surface Pro 4

If you have been looking for a tablet that works with all of the Microsoft [software that you are accustomed to in your business office](#), the Microsoft Surface is the device for you! The Surface Pro 4 has a 12.3-inch screen, is 8.45 mm thick, 1.73 lbs, and offers 9 hours of battery life depending upon usage. The device includes a surface pen, kickstand and keyboard.

AgBOT

The AgBOT is an unmanned aircraft system that meets [FAA requirements intended for precision agricultural analysis](#). It can fly 26+ minutes at a top speed of 38.4 mph and range of 16.6 miles. The drone's manufacturer, [Aerial Technology](#), offers agricultural drone solutions to help your smart office to identify and assess insects, watering, crop yields, harvest, livestock and inspection of fields. Prices vary by options and specifications of each drone. There are several other manufacturers in the agricultural drone market—shop around to find the drone and price that best meets your needs!

Cold-proof pens

Isn't it annoying when your pen freezes up in cold weather? Or if you run out of ink? What about when you must write on surfaces outdoors? Or in the rain? [These unique writing instruments](#) can keep the ink flowing even when you're taking notes in negative temps.

Office chair

There are a few things in life that you should always invest in, because if you are not in one, you are in the other—your shoes, your mattress and your office chair. Your office chair is one item that can cause you great pain if you fail to select it well. Ergonomics, comfort and cost are important to keep in mind when searching for a chair.

Wireless extender

Do you want internet service in the cab of your tractor for your mobile smart office? Does your cellular service wane while you are inside of a building or in the cab of your tractor? [Consider a wireless extender](#) to access WiFi throughout your farm or a signal booster for cellular service.

Miscellaneous

'American Farmer Tribute' Edition 22-caliber Henry Rifle

Henry Repeating Arms has designed a special ["American Farmer Tribute" edition of its Golden Boy lever-action rifle](#). The 38½-inch long rifle weighs in at a well-balanced 6¾ pounds. Its smooth and easy lever-action takes the clumsiness out of firing 16 long or 21 short rounds, all in one loading. One receiver panel of the plate cover features the words "American Farmers Feeding the World" engraved in 24-karat gold. The other side has an engraved image of a farmer working a field behind his horse-drawn plow with a barn in the background. That one, too, is in washed gold.

John Harvey's Antique Tractor Calendar

Antique tractor collectors are more than likely familiar with the [Classic Farm Tractors calendars](#) that feature restored classics from around the country.

Calendars

Daily calendars are a fun way to express your passion of agriculture. Octane Press has a **FARMALL 2016 calendar** featuring Farmall tractors in a picturesque setting. Photographer Lee Klancher traveled across the USA capturing tractors and their stories.

Toy Tractors

Buy that farmer of yours a toy tractor of real model he has, or of the first one his dad farmed with. Even more special, find him a real tractor his dad farmed with.

Farm Show Tickets

Surprise your farmer with tickets to one of our four farm shows, [Husker Harvest Days](#), [Farm Progress Show](#), [New York Farm Show](#) or the [Hay Expo](#).

ManHands: Manly Scented Soap

Give your man his own scented soap with [ManHands Soap Company](#). Scents include bacon, beer, race day, and top soil, to name a few.

Tractor Seat Bar Stools

Finish off the man cave or the wet bar with a set of tractor seat bar stools.

Books

"The Farmer in All of Us: An American Portrait"

The Ram Truck brand offers a new photography book in cooperation with National Geographic titled, ["The Farmer in All of Us: An American Portrait"](#). The 300-page book is a collection of agriculture and farming photography, including many of the images commissioned for the Ram Truck brand's "Year of the Farmer" campaign.

"Farming with Family Ain't Always Easy"

This book looks at the core issues of family farming and provides unique solutions to family succession planning in a folksy manner. The book breaks apart the science of [farm decision making and family dynamics](#) in a scientific yet practical way.

Farm Progress Magazine Subscriptions

What farmer wouldn't like to have a [subscription to one of our Farm Progress magazines?](#)

"Stories from the Heartland"

Max Armstrong's broadcasting career began at age 11 when he strung an antenna wire from his bedroom window to a pole behind the chicken coop. Now a staple on "This Week In Agribusiness," Max broadcasts across the nation to men and women who feed the world. [In his new book](#), Max shares stories from his time as a young man on his family's Indiana farm and stories about the people he has met throughout his 40-year career.

"You Can't Dream Big Enough"

From his humble beginnings on a small dairy farm in Wisconsin to America's most recognizable voice of agriculture, [Orion Samuelson](#) tells the stories of his sixty-plus years behind the microphone and in front of the camera.