

Pamper your mom

Fill her heart with joy on Mother's Day without emptying your bank account

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It's that time of year again. Time to honor those special women in our lives, without whom none of us would be here — our moms. As you prepare to celebrate Mother's Day next Sunday, here are some gift ideas for moms and grandmas for \$50 or less.

DIY gifts

Hand-painted pottery. At Paint Yourself Silly, a paint-it-yourself pottery studio located at 6538 E. Tanque Verde Road, you choose a pre-made piece of pottery and paint it however you like. Choose from simple tiles, cups, dessert plates, candy dishes and more. Allow seven to 10 days for the piece to be fired after you finish it. Prices start at \$8. Call 885-4755 or visit www.paintyourselfsilly.com.

Remember when you were a little kid and the very best present you could give your mom was a homemade card? Well, here's a little hint: Most moms never stop liking that sort of thing. Making your own card or gift can be inexpensive and fun, and Mom will appreciate the personal touch. If you need a little guidance, there are professionals who can help you out. You can even invite Mom to participate.