

EARTHCARE 2025

# Ethical *Christmas* Shopping

LET EVERY GIFT  
BE AN ACT OF

*love*



Around the world, many workers continue to face unfair and unsafe working conditions. As consumers, we have the power to “vote with our dollar” by choosing to shop ethically – taking a stand against injustice and supporting efforts to create both safer and fairer workplaces.

Ethical shopping means intentionally buying from brands that respect people, protect animals, and care for the environment. As we enter the Christmas season, a time of giving and generosity, let us be especially mindful of the impact our purchases have.

Throughout this festive period, remember the ethical buying tips highlighted by the Social Justice Group during the year, and let your gift-giving reflect fairness, compassion, and care for our global community.

*Give with love, and every gift becomes a blessing*







# Gift Ideas

**A**s you begin planning your Christmas shopping, it's a great chance to choose gifts that are meaningful and responsible. Simple, thoughtful choices can support fair work, protect the planet, and make a positive impact. Here are some ethical gift ideas to inspire your giving this season.

## Chocolate

Chocolate is always a favourite Christmas gift, but it's important to choose brands committed to a slavery-free supply chain. In many parts of the world, chocolate production can come at the cost of a child's health, education, and even freedom. This Christmas, look for the FAIRTRADE or Rainforest Alliance logos and make a conscious choice to support ethical chocolate.

**Consider: Alter Eco, Tony's Chocolonely, Whittaker's and Haigh's Chocolates.**

## Tea & Coffee

Good-quality, slavery-free tea and coffee are now more accessible than ever, with both local shops and major supermarkets offering a wide range of ethical options. When choosing your brew, look for the FAIRTRADE or Rainforest Alliance logos to ensure your purchase supports fair wages

and safe working conditions. For more information [click here](#).

## Clothing

Find out which of your favourite brands are doing the right thing by checking the [\*\*Baptist World Aid Ethical Fashion Report\*\*](#). Make informed choices that support fair, safe, and ethical workplaces.

One Australian company leading the way is ETIKO— committed to fair trade, sustainability, and justice. Discover their mission and see how your fashion choices can make a difference [here](#).

## Important Questions to Ask

Before you check out this Christmas, pause to ask yourself: Who made this gift? What is it made of? Has it been ethically certified? A few mindful questions can turn your gifts into acts of justice, kindness, and care for God's creation, making the season truly meaningful.

### Further Resources

- [\*\*ACRATH \(Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans\)\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Certifications Guide\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Textile Fibre Guide\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Garment Production Country Guide\*\*](#)





# Giving in Grace

**F**rom thoughtful presents to creative, eco-friendly, and faith-filled actions, these ideas bring love, care and purpose to your celebrations, spreading joy to loved ones and hope to the world.

## A Forest for Someone You Love

This Christmas, give more than a gift– give a future. Greenfleet plants native forests in Australia and New Zealand to capture carbon, restore wildlife, and protect nature for generations. It's a meaningful gift that grows with love and helps fight climate change. Make a lasting difference this holiday season– discover how [here](#).

## A Card That Gives Back

This Christmas, let your greetings reflect Christ's love. Every Global Gift card helps provide clean water, education, and food security to communities in need– sharing God's love far beyond your home.

Discover how you can give a card that truly matters [here](#).

## Wrap with Care This Christmas

Make your gift wrapping as thoughtful as your gifts. Reuse old gift bags, skip glittery or shiny paper that can't be recycled, and try Japanese *furoshiki*– wrapping gifts in beautiful, reusable fabric. These small, mindful choices help care for creation while adding joy and meaning to the season.

## Treasures From the Heart

Consider gifts that reflect Christ's love this Christmas. Handmade treasures or shared experiences, like a day together, a craft project, or a homemade treat, bring joy, nurture relationships, and honour creation in a thoughtful and sustainable way.

*Merry Christmas.*  
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AND SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP