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The Worth Father's Day Gift Guide: 51 Phenomenal Gift Ideas to Give Dad

Worth columnist and father of three, Arick Wierson, lays out the ultimate gift list for Father's Day 2021 for the dads who have just about everything.



Forget flowers, it's Father's Day. It's time to get manly.

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For the majority of my adult life, whenever I heard the number 51, I immediately thought of just two things. Well, mainly one thing, but sometimes two things.



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As someone who spent years studying and working in Brazil, the first thing that generally comes to mind when I think about the number 51 is the famous *Cachaça 51 Pirassununga*, the rum-like beverage that serves as the backbone of the Caipirinha, the popular Brazilian elixir that invaded America sometime in the early 1990s. 51 Pirassununga is potent stuff—rumor has it that if you have an ethanol-powered engine in Brazil and you find your gas tank empty, you can pour a bottle of 51 into your car’s gas tank and it will get you at least to the nearest gas station.

Now the other thing that would also occasionally come to mind whenever I came across the number 51 is a distant memory of my crotchety old junior high math teacher, Mr. Nielsen, who once dubbed 51 a “sneaky non-prime number.” Yes, 51 is divisible by 3. (For those readers not fond of doing math in your head, 51 divided by 3 equals 17, in case you’re wondering.)

And for many years, at least for me, that was about it when it came to the number 51: Brazilian booze and a prickly junior high algebra teacher—that is until this spring, when, suddenly, House Democrats, flush with mojo after their party had successfully secured control of the White House, House and Senate, *passed legislation* to make our nation’s capital, Washington, D.C., the 51st state of the union.



The D.C. statehood movement is one that has long enjoyed broad support from Democrats, and the majority of Washingtonians, as it would finally give federal representation to nearly 700,000 residents who currently have none. But the city's deep blue political contours mean that if the nation's capital becomes the 51st state of the union, it could fundamentally upend the political power dynamic in our beleaguered two-party system—particularly in the Senate.

Now I must confess that none of this really has much at all to do with Father's Day—that third Sunday every June our nation has reserved for paying special homage to those important men who have played a fatherly role in our rearing—incidentally, something for which we can all thank former President Richard Nixon; fun fact: it was the embattled 37th president who made Father's Day a permanent national holiday by signing it into law in 1972. Nonetheless, as this year's Father's Day approaches, and with the number 51 increasingly on mind, I thought it apropos to put forth 51 gifts ideas befitting the dads, stepdads, granddads and any other dads in our lives.



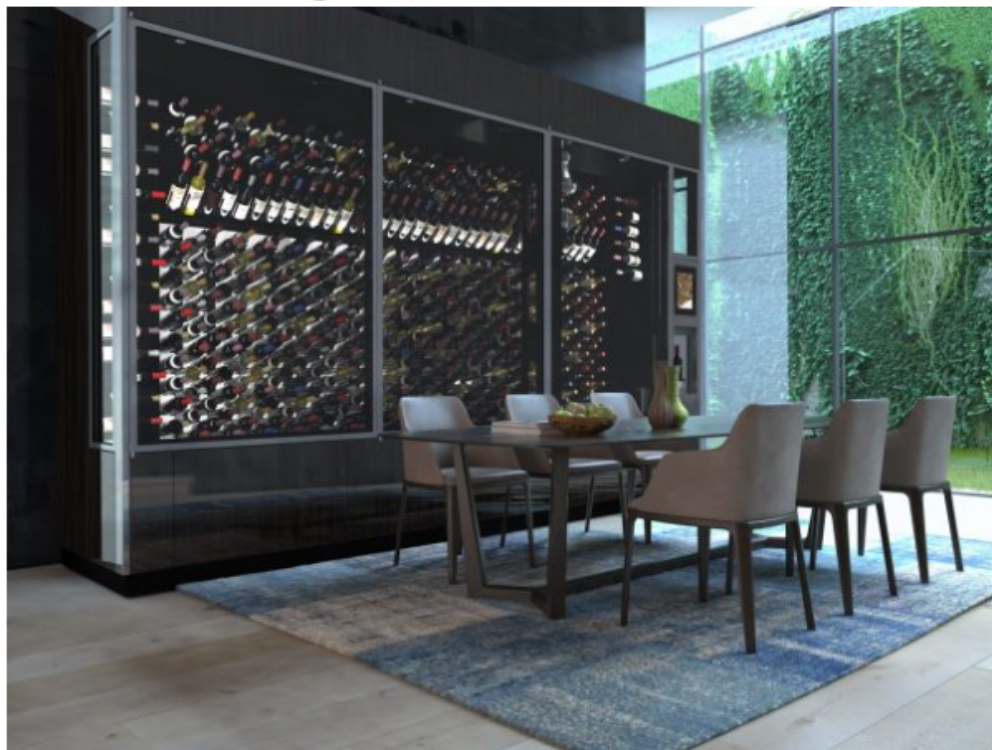
All of the 51 items in this year's guide are ones that I or one of my team of expert reviewers tested, tasted or tried out in one way or another. The prices of these gifts range from \$20 to nearly \$200,000; there is literally something for all budgets and bailiwicks. Readers should be cautioned that this list is not a ranking *per se*; it would be featherbrained to attempt to compare a top-end grill, a pair of silver cufflinks and a 15-foot-long wine locker against one another; rather, think of this shopping guide as a smorgasbord of 51 gift ideas for the discriminating and distingué father figure who seemingly already has everything.

So, without further delay, and with a nod to Brazilian cachaça, Mr. Nielsen and D.C. statehood, I present *Worth's* 51 phenomenal Father's Day gift ideas.



1. The 15' WineWall by WineCab

Retail Price: Starting at \$179,000



A sleek wine vending machine on steroids, the WineWall is for the serious oenophile.
Photo courtesy of WineCab

What dad with a nose for wine wouldn't be completely enamored by a 15-foot-wide WineWall, courtesy of WineCab? While not exactly cheap—for the same price you could get a fully loaded Mercedes S-Class and still have enough left over to fund a nice weekend in Vegas—this is one gift a serious oenophile will cherish for years to come. Talk about a conversation piece. The WineWall is the perfect balance of innovation and design. Its built-in robot seamlessly glides back and forth behind the display case, fetching and serving up to 600 bottles of dad's favorite vintages for him and his guests. Ideal for apartments in places like Manhattan and Miami Beach that are not blessed with their own wine cellar.



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