

Oprah's Favorite Things, just greener!

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Oprah's 2010 [Ultimate Favorite Things](#) were, for the most part decidedly *not* eco-friendly. It was nice to see that this year, she put in a \$100 gift card for [KIVA](#) and another for [DonorsChoose.org](#) (two of our favorite non-profits). But for the most part, the gifts on her list leave a lot to be desired for anyone who prefers to shop with a conscience.

What's cool though, is this: it's not difficult to green up her list. And here's what's even cooler—just a few years ago, this wouldn't have been possible. The explosion in eco-friendlier alternatives is nothing short of mind-blowing.

Granted, there is no eco-iPad and CDs are problematic, but most everything else on her list has a better-for-people, better-for-planet alternative. (Note our refrain that nothing we buy can ever be 100% perfectly green, but there is a growing number of choices that we can feel better about supporting with our wallets.)

We're not shopaholics ourselves, but we know that people are going to buy **and** be influenced by Oprah's picks. If you're one of them, take a look at our list before you download hers.

(Being this is the last season for Oprah, this year's Favorite Things took two shows to announce. We don't give a greener alternative to every single item, but enough to suggest that whatever you're buying this holiday season can be more eco-friendly.)

Oprah's pick: Garrett Popcorn Shops popcorn in special tin

Our greener pick: [479 organic popcorn](#) (to be fair, this has been an Oprah favorite in the past)

